Grace Lutheran Worship Folder

July 27 & 28, 2024



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Grace Lutheran Church

Grace Lutheran's Purpose Statement

"We share God's love by welcoming all and making a Christ-like difference in our community and world."

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

WELCOME/PRELUDE

GATHERING

(the assembly stands as they are comfortable)

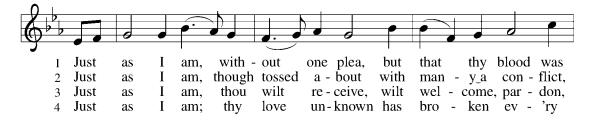
(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.
- C: Amen.
- P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: God, our provider,
- C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.
- P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, we are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, we are shown God's mercy: we are forgiven and loved into abundant life.
- C: Amen.







Text: Charlotte Elliott, 1789-1871

Music: WOODWORTH, William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868 This selection is in the public domain.

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE (verses 1 & 4)





HYMN OF PRAISE





P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

2 Kings 4:42-44

Today's reading is part of a larger section of 2 Kings that describes the miracles of Elisha, the successor to Elijah. Here the prophet gives food to a hungry crowd. Though there is not enough food to go around, Elisha trusts God, who provides enough and even more to satisfy the need.

- ⁴² A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." ⁴³ But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left." ⁴⁴ He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.
- L: The word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 145:10-18

You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing. (Ps. 145:16)

- All your works shall praise you, O LORD, and your faithful ones shall bless you.
- 11 They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power,
- ¹² that all people may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- ¹³ Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages.

You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.

- ¹⁴ The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.
- 15 The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, and you give them their food in due season.
- ¹⁶ You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

¹⁷ You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.

¹⁸ You are near to all who call upon you, to all who call upon you faithfully.

Ephesians 3:14-21

We have been rooted and grounded in the love of Christ, which surpasses all human knowledge. Because Christ dwells in our hearts, our lives are continuously strengthened and empowered by the ongoing presence of the Spirit.

¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶ I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷ and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸ I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰ Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

P: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(The assembly stands as they are comfortable for the Gospel)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





P: The Holy Gospel according to John.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

John 6:1-21

In John's gospel, the miracles of Jesus are called "signs," because they reveal the true character of God. As such, they remain within the mystery of God and cannot be brought under human control.

¹ Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ² A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³ Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴ Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. 5 When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" ⁶ He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷ Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." 8 One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 9 "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" ¹⁰ Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹ Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹² When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." ¹³ So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. 14 When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." ¹⁵ When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. ¹⁶ When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷ got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸ The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹ When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰ But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." ²¹ Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

HOMILY

(The assembly stands as they are comfortable)



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Music: HUNGRY FEAST, Ray Makeever

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APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again;

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

(Response after each petition)

P: Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY (the assembly stands as they are comfortable and sings as the gifts are brought forward)



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P: Let us pray...Jesus, Bread of life,

C: you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

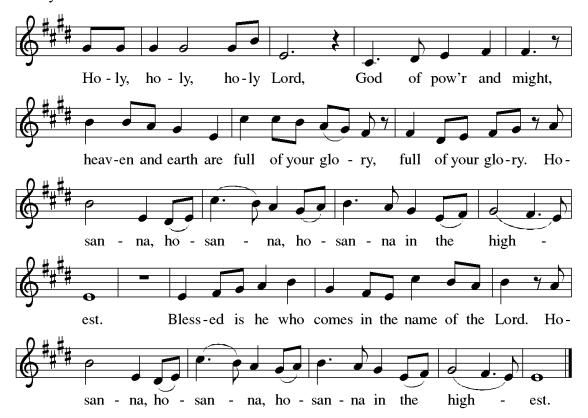
P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...(concluding)...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER/WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,...(concluding)...Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C:Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

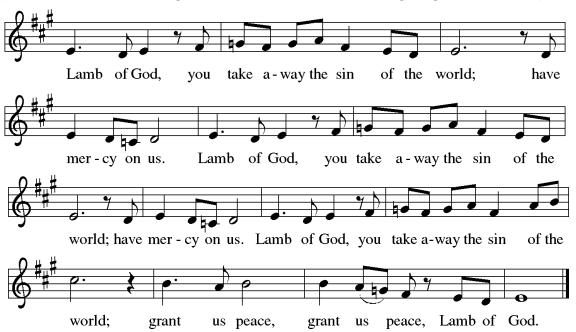
P: Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray.

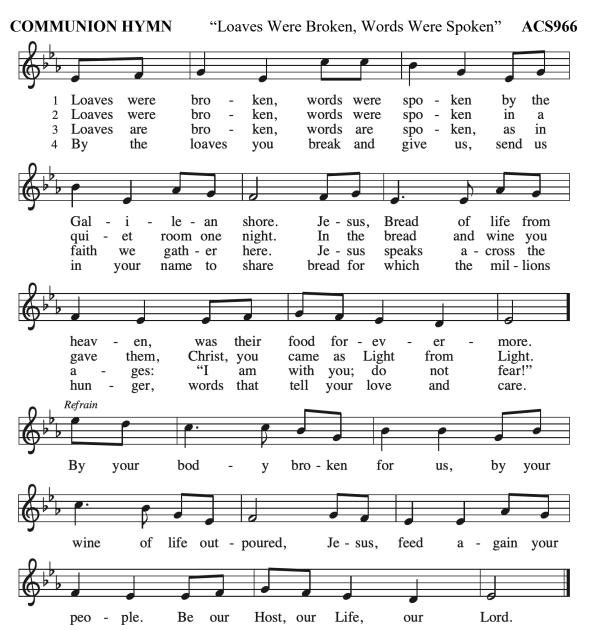
C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

HOLY COMMUNION

(All who desire to receive Christ's presence in bread and wine are welcome to participate in the Eucharist)





Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923-2007

Music: JOYOUS LIGHT, Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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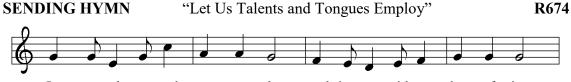
(the assembly stands as they are comfortable)

- P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us pray...Jesus, Bread of life,
- C: we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

BLESSING

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us + be upon us now and forever.

C: Amen.



- 1 Let us tal-ents and tongues em-ploy, reach-ing out with a shout of joy:
- 2 Christ is a ble to make us one, at the ta ble he sets the tone,
- 3 Je sus calls us in, sends us out bear-ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro-ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo-ken and seen and heard. teach-ing peo-ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex-press. gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im-man-u-el) ev-'ry-where!



Je-sus lives a-gain, earth can breathe a-gain, pass the Word a-round: loaves a - bound!

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Music: LINSTEAD, Jamaican folk tune; adapt. Doreen Potter, 1925–1980
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

P: Go in peace. We are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.



POSTLUDE



WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT GRACE LUTHERAN A congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

We are glad to have you here worshiping with us. For visitors, we would be glad to tell you more about Grace Lutheran and how we share God's love. Please leave the best way to contact you on the visitor sheets in the Sanctuary Narthex or the Office Lobby or use the bulletin and give it to an usher.

COFFEE HOUR AFTER SUNDAY WORSHIP

Join us for a time of fellowship with coffee/tea/juice and treats in the Fellowship Hall off the Office Lobby after our Sunday worship.

ALTAR FLOWERS

In Memory of Jim Dekett Given by His Family

IN OUR PRAYERS

Bill Whitscell, Bill Platt, Gary Bettega, Don & Myra Cross, Adam Kamyszek, Kelly Pankey, Joanne Kindt, Tammy Furze, Mary Barney-Bock, Eleanor Coddington, Sandy Malaski, Janet Chroninger, Bonnie Cross, Elfie Jahnke, Budd & Marlene Jobson, Lisa Wooll, Kristin Berles, Don Barnard, Meredith Smith, Robert Larsen, Vicki Piontkowski, Elaine Hatch, Scott Lancaster, Gerald Lancaster, Dorothy Hansen, Larry & Emma Nelson, Michele Amelotte, Jim Malaski -- Julie Stafford, Daphne Flack, Dixie Crevier,

Annie Olsen, Brenda Donajkowski, Rev. Laraine Sundin, Rev. Sarah Samuelson, Duane Morin, Linda, Kaye Harry, Sandra Beck, Kevin Carlson, Laura Fettes (Don Cross' granddaughter), Arlie Prevost, Donna Kendziorski, Jeff Kendziorski, Geraldine Rhoads, James Marculewicz, Herb Schiller, Ann Haske, Jimmy Lappan, Donna Hatch, Jordyn, Maggie, Emily Cross, and Joseph Hansen. We also remember the family of Joanne Coughlin, who passed away on July 18th.

Our prayer list is redone each month. If you, or a family member, would like to continue on the prayer list, please call the office (354-2640).

PRAYER PARTNERS

From the LARCC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Congregational UCC) parishes of Alpena, this weekend we pray for the Quilting Ministry at Grace Lutheran Church. Our Synod Prayer Partner for this week: Faith Lutheran Church/Sidney, Deacon Deno Sorrels and Bishop Craig Satterlee and Synod Staff.

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED

Honoring Our Neighbor's Faith - Jehovah's Witnesses

Next we look at the tradition, thinking and theology of Jehovah's Witnesses. From origins in 1870s to today, they are presence in the Christian world. Join us at 11 in the Lounge for our class.

LET'S HAVE SOME FUN!!!!

There are 6 balloons, 3 big black and 3 small gold, left flying in the Office Lobby from our 150th Celebration on April 28th. Amazing!!!!! Some good balloons Janet Bettega purchased. They are now numbered. Guess the last balloon still at the top of it's ribbon and win a surprise. Sign up sheet on the table with the balloons. Pastor Tom is the final judge of flying and the prize!

JOIN US FOR AN OLYMPIC SUMMER GAMES VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Monday, July 29 and Wednesday, July 31 from 10-11:30 a.m. at Grace Lutheran Get ready to race into a week of fun and faith at our Olympic Summer Games-themed Vacation Bible School! Children of all ages are invited to join us for an exciting adventure filled with: Bible Stories, Games and Activities, Crafts, Music and Snacks. Whether you're sprinting to the finish line or cheering from the sidelines, there's something for everyone at our VBS. Invite your friends and family to join the fun!

Register by filling out the form here: https://tinyurl.com/GraceVBS2024 (Google form to fill out) or by picking up a paper copy in the Office Lobby and returning the completed form to the Church Office by noon on Friday, July 26. Let's go for the gold together and grow in our faith!

UNITED WAY STUFF THE BUS COLLECTION

August 8, 9 & 10 at Walgreen Parking lot

Supplies needed for students in 6th thru 12th grade include: note books, colored pencils, mechanical pencils, erasers, white out, highlighters. pocket folders, tissues & hand sanitizers. See more of a list in Office Lobby. We will collect donations at Grace through August 6.

NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK PARTY AT GRACE

Wednesday August 7 ~ 5:30-7:30 pm Outdoor Games ~ Snacks & Drinks ~ Music ~ Family Fun Invite your friends and join us rain OR shine!

<u>Sign up for items needed at</u>: https://tinyurl.com/GraceBlockParty or sign up on the sheet located in the Office Lobby

<u>Items needed</u>: cookies, dirt cake, brownies, sidewalk chalk, chips, paper plates, napkins, bubbles, face painting crayons (Amazon), fruit salad, veggie tray, cupcakes, lemonade, soda, pasta salads, taco salad, cracker/cheese tray, outdoor corn hole game, outdoor ladder golf, outdoor game - other, help with set up, help with clean up

RUMMAGE SALE - AUGUST 23 & 24

Please remember our Rummage Sale as you are Spring cleaning. Your donations will be accepted at the church starting Saturday, August 10 through Wednesday, August 21, just before the sale. Please no pieces of furniture or other large items.

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY

We are looking for a volunteer to fill the Little Food Pantry on Fridays. If you might be interested please contact Mary Lappan at tomala49707@yahoo.com or 989.255.7511 (call or text).

GENERAL FUND GIVING FOR MAY 2024

Average needed in May (4 weeks) to meet budget \$18,944.00 Monthly Giving - May 16,910.33

We received:

110 envelopes, 58 Simply Giving recurring payments, 7 Give+ payments made from our website and 3 Thrivent Choice donations.

GENERAL FUND GIVING FOR JUNE 2024

Average needed in June (5 weeks) to meet budget \$23,680.00 Monthly Giving - June \$17,938.28

We received:

126 envelopes, 64 Simply Giving recurring payments, 8 Give+ payments made from our website and 1 Thrivent Choice donation.

Anniversaries of Baptism



August



August 12

Carey Schiller

August 1 Vicki Denstaedt Kiowa Kirchoff

August 17 Jakob Bauer August 4 Alan Brilinski Dawn Gentry

August 4
Jeremy Jacobs
Margaret O'Connor

August 19
Alan Brilinski
Nathan Engstrom
Corinne Fraley

August 5
Norman Schillerstrom

Madison Szymanski

August 13

Jamie Gentry

August 5 Grace Hoeft Ryan Reynolds Anthony Thompson August 20 Amelia Berles
Dorothy Hansen Isaac Matzke Aaron Nowak

Grace Hoeft

August 18

Ed Czarnecki

August 6 Margaret Clemens Myra Cross Anna Lewis August 21 August 7
William Matzke Shirley Diemond
Fred Kindt

August 19 Charity Corwin

August 10 Shelly Olsen **August 22** Pam Gohlke Fred Kindt

August 20
Drew Gentry

August 8

Mark Freel

August 20

Wayne Lewis

August 12

August 23 Monroe G
Riley Gohlke
Raymond Reynolds August 9

Monroe Garant

August 21

Donna Morgan

August 9

Brody Nowak

Jordyn Cieslik

August 26 Fred Kindt August 10

August 22 Rachel Engstrom Jeffrey Welch

August 13 Trey Garant James Malaski

August 28 Sandra Malaski Debra Nitchman Deb Wcisel-Ellsworth

Wedding Anniversaries

August 23 Ruby Haske Travis Konarzewski

August 14 Brett Werblow

August 29 August 11 Anne Gentry Joann Smith

August 28 Debra Nitchman

August 31 Jerry Timm

3rd Jim & Sandy Malaski 4th Sean & Taylor Hayward 5th Allen & Judy Doualas

21st Rick & Sharon Engstrom 22nd Jerry & Jan Charter 24th Randy & Kenda Yochum 26th Ed & Donna Czarnecki

27th Pat & June Daly

7th Cody & Jessie Suszek 14th Larry & Connie Suszek 16th Tyler & Stephanie Suszek

Gary & Kay Grove

Jason & Jessica Slominski 28th Don LaBarre & Anne Gentry

19th Phil & Pam Agius

SUNDAY WORSHIP LIVESTREAMED AND RECORDED

Our Sunday worship service is livestreamed, shown on the internet, as it is happening and recorded for viewing online later. People in the sanctuary attending the Sunday service may be seen as part of the livestream and recording.

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HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday –28th

9:30 am Worship

11:00 am Adult Ed - Lounge

Monday - 29th

8am-noon Church Office Open 8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved 10-11:30 am Vacation Bible School

Tuesday - 30th

8am-noon Sewing/Quilting
11:00 am Pastor's Text Study

Wednesday - 31st

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
10-11:30 am Vacation Bible School

Thursday - 1st

8am-noon 8am-2pm Church Office Open Kitchen Reserved

Friday - 2nd

8am-noon Church Office Open 8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved

Saturday - 3rd

5:00 pm Worship

SERVING JULY 27/28

DEIT THE GETT THE	
Ministers	God's People
Pastor	Rev. Tom Orth
Music Director	Claire Witt
Recorded AccompanimentKat Tomaszewski	
Lector	Pat Daly
Comm. Asst	Joe Gentry, Wayne Lewis
Ushers	Dale Schultz, June Daly
	Diane Prevost (Saturday)
Greeter	Joel & Cindy Suszek
Altar Guild	Chris Christopherson
Livestream Team	Dawn Anderson, Jan
Charter, Don LaBarre, Alex Struble	
Counters	Gary & Kay Grove
Coffee Hour	Dale & Pat Schultz

SERVING AUGUST 3/4

MinistersGod's People	
Pastor Rev. Tom Orth	
Music DirectorClaire Witt	
Recorded AccompanimentKat Tomaszewski	
Lector Mike Urlaub	
Comm. Asst. Sherie McTaggart, Jo Ann Smith	
Ushers Gary & Kay Grove, Rick Engstrom	
Cindy Domrase (Saturday)	
GreeterJoe & Dawn Gentry	
Altar GuildKaren Suszek, Jo Ann Smith	
Livestream Team Dawn Anderson, Jan	
Charter, Don LaBarre, Alex Struble	
CountersCheryl Lang, Cindy Suszek	
Coffee HourJoe & Dawn Gentry	

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