Grace Lutheran Worship Folder

November 2 & 3, 2024



All Saints' Weekend

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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, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: Gracious God,
- C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first, we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- P: God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace we have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, our sins are forgiven.
- C: Amen.



Text: Andraé Crouch, b. 1945

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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



men.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A

HYMN OF PRAISE



P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 25:6-9

Isaiah sees a vision of the end of days, when God will gather all people on God's holy mountain and will prepare for them a rich feast. At this banquet God will wipe the tears from all eyes. And there will be no more sorrow, for God will destroy death itself.

⁶ On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. ⁷ And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; ⁸ he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. ⁹ It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 24

They shall receive blessing from the God of their salvation. (Ps. 24:5)

- ¹ The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world and those who dwell therein.
- ² For the LORD has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.
- ³ Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD, and who may stand in God's holy place?

- ⁴ Those of innocent hands and purity of heart, who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by what is false.
- ⁵ They shall receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of their salvation.
- ⁶ Such is the generation of those who seek you, O LORD, of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.
- ⁷ Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors, that the King of glory may come in.
- ⁸ Who is this King of glory?

The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

- ⁹ Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors, that the King of glory may come in.
- Who is this King of glory? Truly, the LORD of hosts is the King of glory.

Revelation 21:1-6a

Here is a vision of the new heaven and new earth in which God resides fully with God's people so that mourning, despair, and pain have been eradicated. These renewing words from the God who spans all of time are trustworthy and true.

¹ I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; ⁴ he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." ⁵ And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." ^{6a} Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

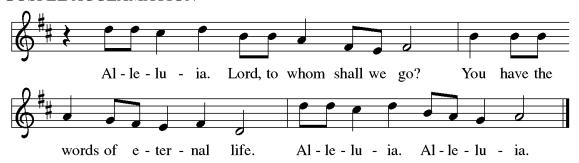
P: The word of the Lord.

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 11:32-44

Through the raising of Lazarus, Jesus offers the world a vision of the life to come, when death and weeping will be no more.

32 When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." 33 When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. 34 He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." 35 Jesus began to weep. 36 So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" 37 But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" 38 Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. 39 Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." 40 Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" 15 So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. 14 I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." 43 When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" 14 The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

HOMILY

HYMN OF THE DAY "For All Your Saints, O Lord"

R427





who fol - lowed you, o - beyed, a-dored, our grate - ful hymn re - ceive. who count-ed you their great re-ward, ac - cept our thank-ful cry. Spir - it's breath to learned from your Ho - lv suf - fer and to do. like them in ho - li - ness may live and die that we in vou. the One in Three, the Three in One, be end - less praise ad - dressed.

Text: Richard Mant, 1776-1848, alt.

Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825-1893

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)

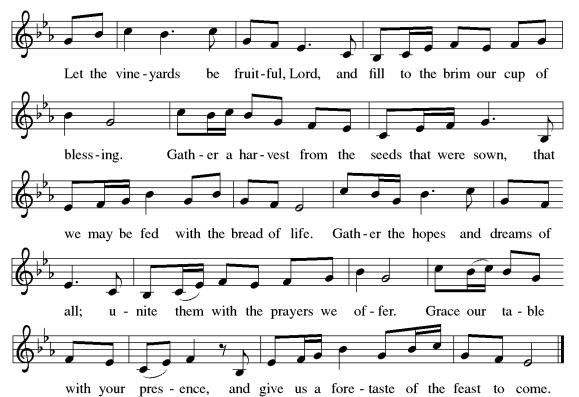
P: Merciful God,

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)



Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980

Music: Ronald A. Nelson, b. 1927

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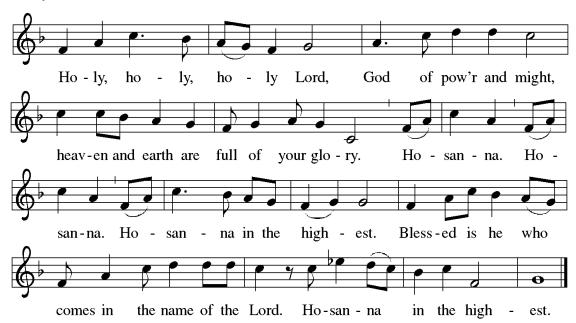
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P: Let us pray...Blessed are you, O God,

C: source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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 God, you alone are holy, you alone are God... Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:
- C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P: We pray for the gift of your Spirit... Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.
- C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

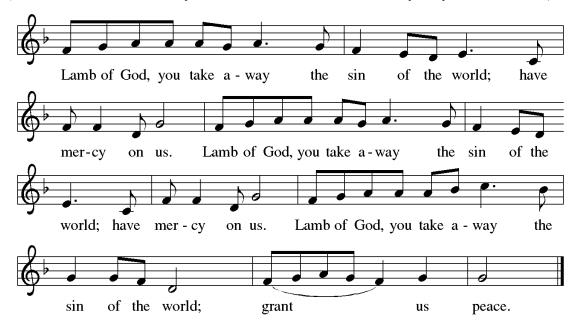
P: Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray.

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: Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is our God.

HOLY COMMUNION

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



COMMUNION HYMN

"Shall We Gather at the River"

R423



- 1 Shall we gath er at the riv er, where bright an gel feet have trod,
- 2 On the mar gin of the riv er, wash ing up its sil ver spray,
- 3 Ere we reach the shin-ing riv er, lay we ev 'ry bur den down;
- 4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv er, soon our pil-grim-age will cease;



with its crys-tal tide for-ev-er flow-ing by the throne of God? we will walk and wor-ship ev-er, all the hap-py gold-en day. grace our spir-its will de-liv-er, and pro-vide a robe and crown. soon our hap-py hearts will quiv-er with the mel-o-dy of peace.



Yes, we'll gath-er at the riv-er, the beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful riv-er;



gath-er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899

Music: HANSON PLACE, Robert Lowry This selection is in the public domain.

(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.

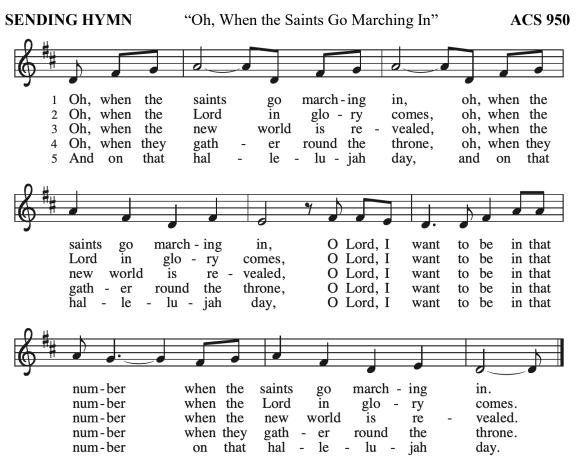
P: Let us pray...Holy God,

C: you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

P: God all mighty, God most merciful + bless us, keep us, and give us peace.

C: Amen.



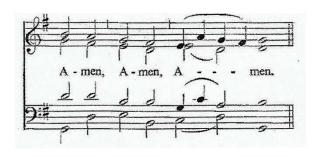
Text: African American spiritual

Music: WHEN THE SAINTS, African American spiritual This selection is in the public domain.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

P: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

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.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Bill Whitscell, Gary Bettega, Don & Myra Cross, Adam Kamyszek, Kelly Pankey, Joanne Kindt, Tammy Furze, Eleanor Coddington, Sandy Malaski, Janet Chroninger, Bonnie Cross, Elfie Jahnke, Budd & Marlene Jobson, Don Barnard, Meredith Smith, Robert Larsen, Vicki Piontkowski, Elaine Hatch, Scott Lancaster, Dorothy Hansen, Larry & Emma Nelson, Michele Amelotte, Jim Malaski -- Bishop Emeritus Gary Hansen, Deborah Al-Duwaisan, Julie Stafford, Daphne Flack, Dixie Crevier, Brenda Donajkowski, Rev. Sarah Samuelson, Linda, Kaye Harry, Sandra Beck, Kevin Carlson, Laura Fettes (Don Cross' granddaughter), Arlie Prevost, Donna Kendziorski, Jeff Kendziorski, Geraldine Rhoads, Herb Schiller, Ann Haske, Jimmy Lappan, Donna Hatch, Jordyn, Maggie, and Joseph Hansen.

PRAYER PARTNERS

From the LARCC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Congregational UCC) parishes of Alpena, this weekend we pray for the Loving Care Members at Grace Lutheran Church. Our Synod Prayer Partner for this week: Christ the King Lutheran Church/Gladwin, Rev. David Sprang/Assistant to the Bishop and Director for Evangelical Mission-Retirement, Christ Lutheran Church/Wyoming, Rev. Robert Schmidt, and Bishop Craig Satterlee and Synod Staff.

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DURING THE PAST YEAR Those who've joined the church triumphant:

Ann Suszek	Arlene Bettega	Harry Kautz
Katherine Rettell	Taylor Agius	Sandra Garant
Joanne Coughlin	Joan Brennan	Jerry Timm
Harlan Werblow	Gerald Lancaster	Rev. Daniel Deutsch
Rill Platt	Duane Morin	Gloria Hansen

John "Jack" Tucker

Baptized into the Body of Christ:

Emmett Martin Suszek Matthew Lee Kibbe

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LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE - HURRICANE HELENE ASSISTANCE

Hurricane Helene hit the coast of Florida as a devastating Category 4 hurricane and ravaged communities in the southeast, from Florida to Virginia. As the floodwaters have receded, the extreme devastation - especially in North Carolina and Tennessee - has become clearer. Entire towns, roads and bridges have been washed away. If you would like to donate to help Lutheran Disaster Response provide care and support needed by the families and communities affected by Hurricane Helene, please place your donation in an envelope marked "hurricane" and place in the offering plate or drop at the church office.

ALPENA FIRE DEPARTMENT

AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED) DEMONSTRATION

Deputy Fire Chief Andy Marceau and Captain Tyler Suszek from Alpena Fire Department will be conducting an AED demonstration in the **Lounge at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday November 3rd**. You can save a life!

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING ON SUNDAY NOVEMBER 10

Grace will be having our Semi-Annual Meeting following worship at 11AM on Sunday November 10. Adoption of budget for 2025 and election of Council members are the main items on the Agenda.

QUILT/PERSONAL CARE KIT DISTRIBUTION

We recently sent 20 quilts/27 personal care kits to Lutheran World Relief and 76 small quilts/36 large quilts to North Carolina.

GRACE LUTHERAN THANKSGIVING DINNER!

Thursday, November 28, 2024 ~ 5 p.m.

Grace Lutheran will provide a church family Thanksgiving Day dinner at 5:00 pm. The turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy will be provided. Everyone is welcome to bring a dish to pass – your favorite side, dessert, rolls, salads, whatever you feel inclined to bring! We will offer delivery to our Loving Care Members at 4:00 pm to allow them to also partake in our Thanksgiving Dinner. For delivery, please call Peggy at 989-354-2640. Delivery will be made shortly after 4:00 p.m. so our delivery crew can make it back to eat as well. If you can help with delivery please contact Peggy so she can list the drivers we will have as well.

Please sign up and include the number attending and the dish you wish to bring and share. (Sign-up sheets are located in the Office Narthex.) There is also a sign-up sheet for Set-Up Committee and Clean-Up Committee for those who want to assist. Requests for delivered meals need to be called in to the church by Friday, November 22 so deliveries can be coordinated. All are welcome!

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.

GENERAL FUND GIVING FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

Average needed in September (5 weeks) to meet budget \$23,680.00 Monthly Giving - September 14,447.17

We received:

109 envelopes, 51 Simply Giving recurring payments, and 9 Give+ payments made from our website



November

Anniversaries of Baptism



November 9 Mary Bock

November 11Jessica McKenzie
Rodney Szymanski

November 12 Nicholas Schillerstrom

November 13 Norman Schillerstrom

November 21 Elaine Hatch

November 23
Ashley Timmreck-Walker
Madison Timmreck
Melissa Timmreck
Nicholas Timmreck
Paige Timmreck

November 24 Chris Christopherson

November 25 Emmett Suszek

November 26 Bruno Hirzel

November 27 Beckett Granata

November 29 Scott Kuligowski Brian Schiller Ellie Walker

Birthdays

November 2 Olivia Haske Cindy Suszek

November 4 Britni Nowak

November 5 Raylynn Suszek

November 7 Phyllis Colagross

November 8 Edward Jahnke Melissa Timmreck

November 10 Hannah Matzke

November 11 Linda Gapske Gracie Gillard Brent Welch

November 12
Diane O'Connor

November 13Doug Chroninger

November 14 Mary Bock

November 17 Chloe Hayward Kassandra McInerney

November 18 Nancy Stachnik Karyn Vass

November 20 Kelli Liske Sherie McTaggart Chris Moors

November 25 Jeffrey Diemond Monica Jahnke Erin McCourt

November 26 Bruno Hirzel

November 28 Janie Hansen Lisa McIntosh Brody Yuchasz

November 30 Matthew Timrick



Wedding Anniversaries

4th Bill & Mary Bock

9th Ian & Amelia Kamyszek 25th Anthony & Laura Thompson 27th Alex & Anna-Marie Struble

Grace Lutheran Council Briefs October 15, 2024 ~ 6:00 p.m.

Correspondence and Communication - With regret accepted resignation of Steve Hansen from Council immediately. Motion made by Dennis Werblow and seconded by Mary Lappan

Treasurer's/Finance Report - Report given by Dennis Werblow. Council accepted the August and September financial reports. Motion made by Mary Lappan and seconded by Sharon Engstrom

Pastors Report -

2 funerals conducted - for Gerald Lancaster and Bill Platt.

Adult CE series, Witnessing to Christ and Love for Neighbor in an Election Year had good participation and discussion.

Attended a number of webinars for Continuing Education

Work Groups -

Discipleship -

REBOOT- Rummage sale, visit to Samaritas, Feeding Kids Ministry

Little Food Pantry - Mary Lappan reported many monetary donations this month. \$1000 in gift cards to Perch's from Hunters Harvest, \$3,000 grant from the Women's Giving Circle, \$6,000 from the dinner given by Donna Morgan and Jean Spaulding, and \$500 given by St. Paul's. Very blessed.

Little Free Library -used often

Education - Elsa Philips report that Sunday School is in session Christmas Program with kids will be December 15.

Fellowship - Two luncheons were given. One funeral luncheon for Bill Platt and one for Gerald Lancaster.

Finance and Stewardship - nothing to report

Property - Ed Czarnecki is doing a lot and we want to thank him for all his efforts.

Worship - Sharon Engstrom reported that we are in need of volunteers in different areas. Please consider.

Old Business -

AED training from Alpena Fire Department is being scheduled

Constitution Committee has a rough draft for viewing and commenting It can be viewed in the form of an email.

An Evening with Friends and Family Fundraiser was held on October 4.

Donna Morgan and Jean Spaulding did a wonderful job.

New Business -

Proposed Budget adopted to be present at Semi-Annual Meeting on November 10, 2024.

Planning a Council Retreat in January.

Norwegian Meatball Dinner on November 1.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45

Next Council meeting December 10, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday	<u> </u>
Q.	50 am

Choir Practice 8:50 am 9:00 am Sunday School

9:30 am Worship

11:00 am AED Demonstration -

Lounge

Monday - 4th

Church Office Open 8am-noon Kitchen Reserved 8am-2pm Remembering Our 6:00 pm

Children - Lounge

Tuesday - 5th

8am-noon Church Office Open Sewing/Quilting 9:00 am 11:00 am Pastor's Text Study

Wednesday - 6th

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved **Bell Choir Practice** 6:00 pm

MLK Committee - Lounge 7:00 pm

Thursday - 7th

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

Friday - 8th

8am-noon Church Office Open

Saturday - 9th

5:00 pm Worship

SERVING NOVEMBER 2/3

Ministers	God's People	
Pastor	Rev. Tom Orth	
Music Director	Claire Witt	
Recorded AccompanimentKat Tomaszewsk		
Lector	Sharon Engstrom	
Comm. AsstAud	lrey Garant, Wayne Lewis	
UshersD	ale Schultz, Bruno Hirzel,	
Γ	iane Prevost (Saturday)	
Greeters Mary	Rowader, Cindy Domrase	
Altar Guild S	andy Welch, Karen Slaght	
Livestream Team	Dawn Anderson, Jan	
Charter, I	Oon LaBarre, Alex Struble	
Counters Wayn	e & Chris Christopherson,	

Darlene Freel

Coffee Hour Anne Gentry, Brandi Stone

SERVING NOVEMBER 9/10

Ministers God's People		
Pastor Rev. Tom Orth		
Music DirectorClaire Witt		
Recorded AccompanimentKat Tomaszewski		
Lector Anna Lewis		
Comm. Asst Audrey Garant, Wayne Lewis		
Ushers Dale Schultz, Bruno Hirzel,		
Diane Prevost (Saturday)		
Greeters Dale & Pat Schultz		
Altar Guild Sandy Welch, Karen Slaght		
Livestream Team Dawn Anderson, Jan		
Charter, Don LaBarre, Alex Struble		
Counters Wayne & Chris Christopherson,		
Darlene Freel		
Coffee Hour Jeff & Sandy Welch		

Large print worship folders & hearing assistance devices are available from ushers

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