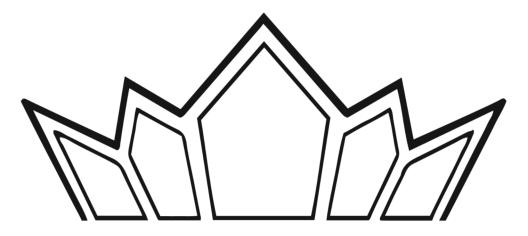
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November 23 & 24, 2024



CHRIST THE KING

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."

<u>GATHERING</u>

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.

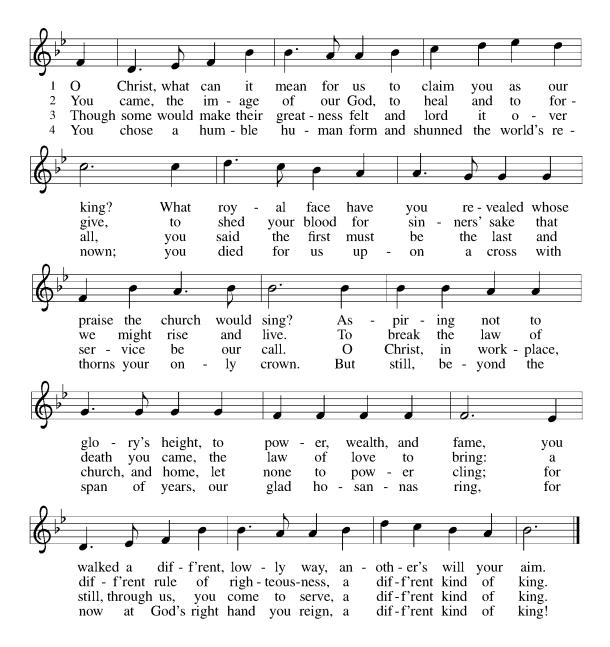
Silence is kept for reflection.

- 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.

GATHERING HYMN

"O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us"

R431



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 and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of 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 Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

To the community for whom this passage was written, it seemed as though the oppression they were experiencing would never end. Daniel's message is: It shall end. The Ancient One, who is judge, will call all nations to account and will give dominion to "one like a human being," the Messiah.

⁹ As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. ¹⁰ A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. ¹³ As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. ¹⁴ To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 93

Ever since the world began, your throne has been established. (Ps. 93:2)

¹ The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength.

The LORD has made the world so sure that it cannot be moved.

² Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; you are from everlasting.

³ The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted up their voice; the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.

⁴ Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea,

mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.

Revelation 1:4b-8

The book of Revelation begins by celebrating the Almighty God, who spans all of time. Similarly, Jesus is celebrated as the firstborn from the dead who rules over the world's rulers. He is the one whose return we eagerly await.

^{4b} Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. ⁸ "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

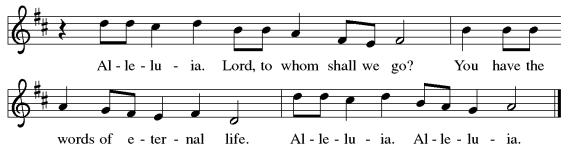
P: The word of the Lord.

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 18:33-37

In John's gospel, the story of Jesus and Pilate presents two different ways of exercising power: through force or with love.

⁵ Your testimonies are very sure, and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and forevermore.

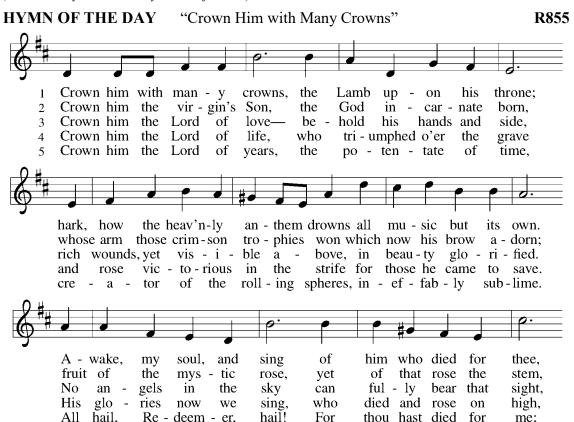
³³ Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴ Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did

others tell you about me?" ³⁵ Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶ Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." ³⁷ Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.C: Praise to You, O Christ.

HOMILY

(The assembly stands as they are comfortable)





and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty. the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem. but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys-ter-ies so bright. who died. e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die. thy praise and shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty. glo - ry

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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.

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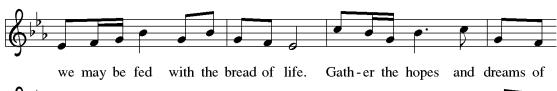
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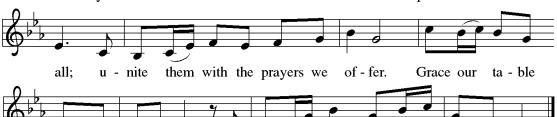


Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that





and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come. with your pres - ence,

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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.

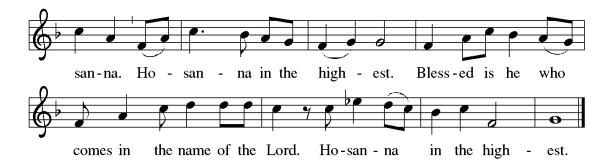
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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:



your glo - ry. heav-en and earth are full of



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

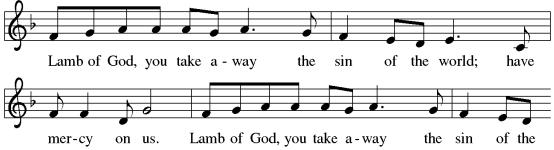
P: Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.

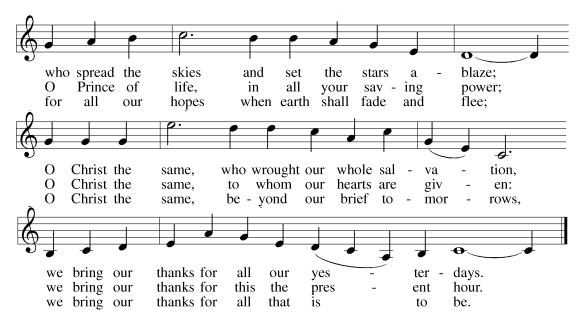
P: Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is our God.

HOLY COMMUNION

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







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P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

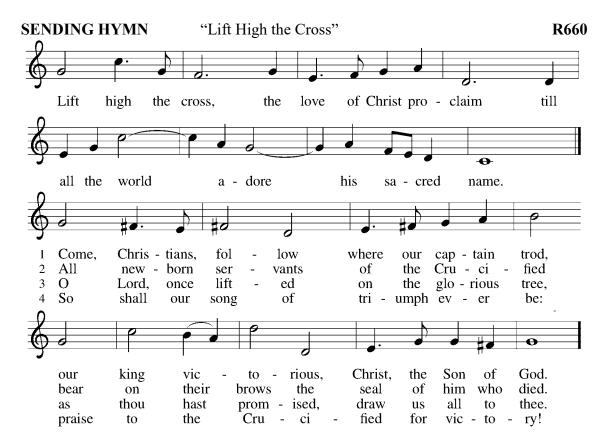
P: Let us pray...Holy God,

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.



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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.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Rev. Bob Case for leading worship, preaching and presiding this weekend.

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 -- Danielle Lawrence, 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 Youth Ministry at All Saints Catholic Parish. Our Synod Prayer Partner for this week: Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church/Alpena, Rev. Tom Orth, and Bishop Craig Satterlee and Synod Staff.

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY

Winter is fast approaching and the Little Food Pantry is again collecting hats, gloves and mittens for the pantry.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

If you are a Thrivent client with benefit membership, please consider directing your Thrivent Choice Dollars to Grace Lutheran Church.

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 pick up/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 Lobby.) 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 Sunday, November 24 so deliveries can be coordinated.** All are welcome!

2024 CHRISTMAS WISH LIST

We are joining the United Way of Northeast Michigan again this year in supporting local families through the Christmas Wish List program. This program provides gifts to local families in need. *Recipient tags are available on the giving tree located in the Office Lobby*. Gifts will need to be wrapped (NO GIFT BAGS), with the gift tag securely taped to the package and <u>returned to the church no later than SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1</u>. Thank you for making a difference in our community. --The Discipleship Committee.

BAKE SALE - DECEMBER 7

The Ruth Circle is planning a bake sale at Grace on **December 7 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.** We would like everyone in the congregation to please donate to make this a success. We depend on the bake sale money to enable us to donate to 12 charities from Grace Lutheran through the Women of the ELCA at Grace. **Bake sale items can be brought to the church on Friday, December 6 beginning at 8 a.m. and continuing throughout the day.** We appreciate any baked goods, canned items and craft items also donated. Any questions, please call Darlene Freel at 989-354-8866. Please also let us know if you can help on Friday or Saturday.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING - DECEMBER 15

You are invited to join in Christmas caroling around the community! There will be lunch provided after church on Sunday, December 15th at 11:00 am and caroling will begin at 12:00pm. A sign up sheet will be posted. We will be going to assisted living homes as well as homes of some of our members. Please join in the fun!

REMEMBERING OUR CHILDREN CANDLE LIGHTING

6:30 p.m. Sunday, December 8 ~ Grace Lutheran Church

Please join us as we celebrate the life and memory of our children, of any age, that have passed. There will be inspirational music, readings, candle lighting, a power point presentation, and recitation of each child's name. Light refreshments and time for sharing will follow. Candles will be provided. Personalize and hang an ornament on our "Remembrance Tree!" We will be collecting new and unwrapped toys in our child's memory for "Toys for Tots." Questions: Karen 989.619.7728 or Polly 989.356.0849. Please see poster on bulletin board for more information.

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.



SYMBOLS OF CHRISTMAS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

(DURING OUR 9:30 A.M. SERVICE)

GENERAL FUND GIVING FOR OCTOBER 2024

Average needed in October (4 weeks) to meet budget \$18,944.00 Monthly Giving - October 21,068.37

We received:

109 envelopes, 60 Simply Giving recurring payments, 10 Give+ payments made from our website, and 1Thrivent Choice donation



November

Anniversaries of Baptism

November 9 Mary Bock

November 11 Jessica 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



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

Birthdays

November 14 Mary Bock

November 17Chloe 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



4th Bill & Mary Bock 9th Ian & Amelia Kamyszek

25th Anthony & Laura Thompson 27th Alex & Anna-Marie Struble

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

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8:50 am Choir Practice 9:00 am Sunday School 9:30 am Worship

Monday - 25th

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

Tuesday - 26th

8am-noon
9:00 am
11:00 am
Pastor's Text Study

Wednesday - 27th

KITCHEN RESERVED 8am-noon Church Office Open 6:00 pm Bell Choir Practice

Thursday - 28th Thanksgiving Day CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

5:00 pm Thanksgiving Dinner at Grace

Friday - 29th

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved

Saturday - 30th

8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved **5:00 pm** Worship

SERVING NOVEMBER 23/24

<u>DERVING I</u>	OVENIBER 23/24		
Ministers	God's People		
Pastor	Rev. Dr. Robert Case		
Music Director	Claire Witt		
Recorded Accompai	nimentKat Tomaszewski		
Lector	Ruby Haske		
Comm. Asst Aud	rey Garant, Wayne Lewis		
	ale Schultz, Bruno Hirzel,		
	iane Prevost (Saturday)		
	Joe & Dawn Gentry		
Altar Guild Sa	indy Welch, Karen Slaght		
	Dawn Anderson, Jan		
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	e & Chris Christopherson,		
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	Joel & Cindy Suszek		
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	Rev. Tom Orth		
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