Grace Lutheran Worship Folder

June 10 & 11, 2023



Season after Pentecost

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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

(the assembly stands as they are able)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

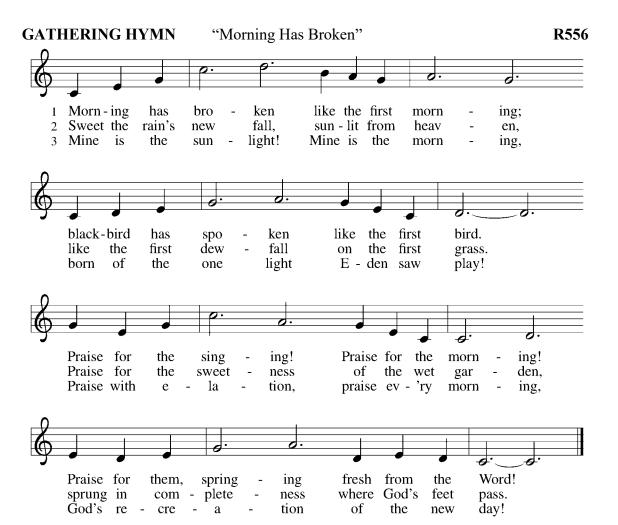
- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.
 - Merciful God,
- C: we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: Righteous God,
- C: we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ.
- C: Amen.



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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 (vs. 1 & 4)



HYMN OF PRAISE





P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Hosea 5:15--6:6

Because the people have trusted in military powers and not God, God decides to withdraw from the scene until Israel acknowledges its guilt and seeks God's face. The response of the people does not acknowledge this guilt and is as fickle as fog or dew burned away quickly by the sun. God desires loyalty rather than words or meaningless deeds.

¹⁵I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor: ^{6:1}"Come, let us return to the LORD; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. ²After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. ³Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth." ⁴What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. ⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. ⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 50:7-15

Call upon me in the day of trouble, says your God. (Ps. 50:15)

⁷"Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you; for I am God, your God.

⁸I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; your burnt offerings are always before me.

⁹I will not accept a calf from your stalls, nor goats from your pens;

¹⁰for all the wild animals of the forest are mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.

¹¹I know every bird of the mountains, and the creatures of the fields are mine.

¹²If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.

¹³Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats?

¹⁴Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows to the Most High.

¹⁵Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.

Romans 4:13-25

Paul presents Abraham as a living model of right relationships. For Abraham and for us, a right relationship with God involves trusting that God's promises will be fulfilled because God makes the dead alive and calls into existence what otherwise does not exist.

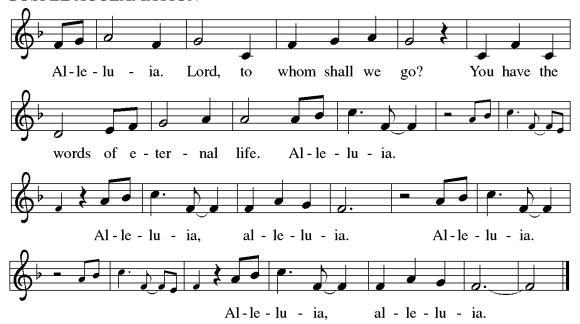
¹³The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. ¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." 19He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our iustification.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

Jesus demonstrates God's mercy and power, accepting the unacceptable and curing the incurable. Even the dead receive new life.

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. ¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners." ¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made

you well." And instantly the woman was made well. ²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district.

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

HOMILY

(The assembly stands as they are able)

HYMN OF THE DAY

"O Christ, the Healer, We Have Come"

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- 1 O Christ, the heal er, we have come to pray for health, to plead for friends.
- 2 From ev 'ry ail-ment flesh en dures our bod ies clam or to be freed;
- 3 In con-flicts that de-stroy our health we rec-og-nize the world's dis-ease;
- 4 Grant that we all, made one in faith, in your com-mu ni ty may find



How can we fail to be re-stored when reached by love that nev - er ends? yet in our hearts we would con-fess that whole-ness is our deep - est need. our com - mon life de-clares our ills. Is there no cure, O Christ, for these? the whole-ness that, en - rich - ing us, shall reach the whole of hu - man-kind.

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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: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Christ.

OFFERING

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



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P: Let us pray...God of field and forest, sea and sky,

C: you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

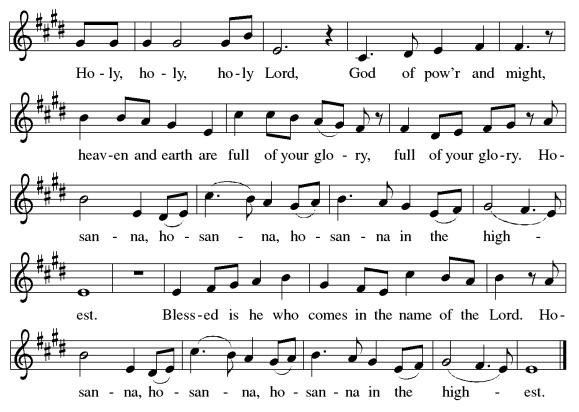
P: Lift up your hearts.

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 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... *(concluding)*...to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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;

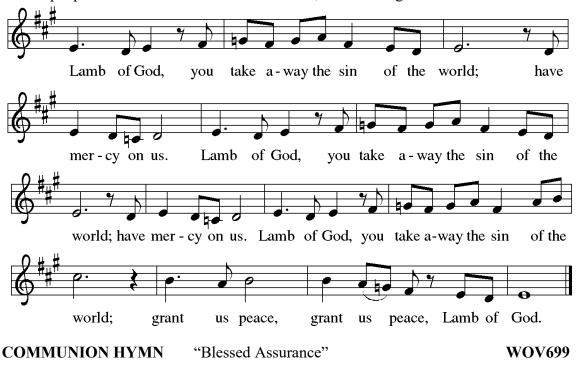
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

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

P: All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood. an - gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love. watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

(Refrain on next page)



This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long:



this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820-1915

Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908 This selection is in the public domain.

(the assembly stands as they are able)

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

C: Amen.

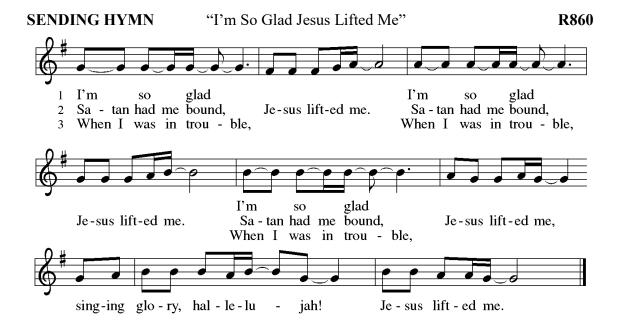
P: Let us pray...We thank you, generous God,

C: for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

P: The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed + bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

C: Amen.



Text: African American spiritual

Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual This selection is in the public domain.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

P: Go in peace. Share the harvest.

C: Thanks be to God.



POSTLUDE

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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

Sandy Malaski, Tammy Furze, Janet Chroninger, Bonnie Cross, Elfie Jahnke, Marge Weber, Budd Jobson, Harry Kautz, 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, Joanne Nicholls, Jim Malaski, Kathy Rettell -- Linda, Kaye Harry, Stretch (Steve) Lee, Sandra Beck, Kevin Carlson, Laura Fettes (Don Cross' granddaughter), Arlie Prevost, Jack Thompson, Pastor Mike Schaedig, Donna Kendziorski, Jeff Kendziorski, Geraldine Rhoads, James Marculewicz, Herb Schiller, Ann Haske, Joanne Coughlin, Sylvia Rouech, Jimmy Lappan, Donna Hatch, Jordyn, Maggie, Jodi Kennedy Dinnan, Emily Cross, and Joseph Hansen.

PRAYERS - PEOPLE TO ADD

Forms for adding people to our prayer list are located at each entrance to the sanctuary. Give completed forms to the ushers for inclusion in the prayers during the service. Please be sure that you have the person(s)' permission to have their name read during public worship. And also remember that our worship and bulletin are available online so that it will be widely disseminated. Thank you. Names are on the list for the calendar month.

PRAYER PARTNERS

From the LARCC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Congregational UCC) parishes of Alpena, this weekend we pray for the Sunday Supper Program at Trinity Episcopal Church. Our Synod Prayer Partner for this week: St. Paul Lutheran Church/ East Lansing, Rev. Carl Ballard and Bishop Craig Satterlee and Synod Staff.

NEW CARPET IS COMING TO THE SANCTUARY STARTING JUNE 19TH Help prepare for the work. Sunday, June 11, move hymnals and cushions out after worship. Saturday, June 17, 10 am move all the pews to one side of the sanctuary.

OUTDOOR WORSHIP ON JUNE 17 & 18

Join us for worshiping God and Jesus outside in our property across the street this weekend.

LADIES OF GRACE

The Ruth Circle will meet at 1:15 pm on Wednesday, June 21, at JJ's Steak & Pizza House, 411 N. 2nd Ave., for their annual summer luncheon. "All" are welcome for fellowship. Please RSVP to Darlene at 989-354-8866 or the Church Office at 989-354-2640.

GRACE LUTHERAN IS 150 YEARS OLD

We received our anniversary recognition at Synod Assembly in May. As we start this year, we want to celebrate with a few activities giving thanks for what this church has received from Jesus and all those who have faithfully done Christ's work over time in this place. And want to prepare for the future work God and Jesus have for us here and now.

Council adopted this plan of Celebration for over the next year.

- 1) A Celebration dinner that is catered.

 A team is needed to organize and plan for the date, meal and program.
- 2) 150th Anniversary Campaign that will add to our endowment and provide resources for the future. Council agreed that 10% of funds donated will be toward a Community Outreach Fund to continue making a Christ-like difference in our community and world.
 - Several people have offered to do this work. And more can be involved.
- 3) Displays of the history of the church over time. Don LaBarre has agreed to lead this.
- 4) Collecting more history of Grace from throughout the 150 years, but especially over the last 50 years since the last major anniversary of 100 years.

Don LaBarre and Pastor Tom are two willing to work on this with more help needed.

For both of these last 2 projects, we can use items you may have, photographs and documents and a willingness of many to sit down for a recording of your memories of Grace. We have already collected some old bulletins, documents and artifacts (like Dorothy Gentry's Sunday School pin.)

Please contact Pastor Tom if you are interested in helping in any aspect of the Celebration Year. Or have some other ideas.

BRACELET FOUND

A bracelet was found during our Spring cleaning of the kitchen. Please call the office to identify and claim.

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

The pantry is in need of cereal, peanut butter & jelly, and toilet paper.

RANDOM ACT OF GRACE – TO THE COMMUNITY – MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Wednesday June 28 @ 5:30 PM

Help Alpena look good for the long Fourth of July weekend and join us for some litter pickup at Starlite and Mich-e-ke-wis Parks. And have pizza with us. Details to come.

QUILTERS NEWS

Our quilters have been very busy so far this year! They shipped 51 quilts, 3 bags of linens and 27 dresses to Orphan Grain Train on May 25th. Join them any Tuesday morning from 9am - noon. No experience necessary.

Save the date!

August 25 & 26 - Rummage Sale

<u>Please do not drop off any items at this time</u>. If you are planning to do Spring cleaning and have items you can no longer use, please keep us in mind. Your generosity in helping our mission is deeply appreciated. We ask that you hold items until the sale when we will receive them directly into the Fellowship Hall two weeks before, rather than having to carry items up and down the stairs to the basement.

SWEETS & TREATS

If you make a special treat you would like to share at Coffee Hour after Sunday Worship, please sign up for a date in the Office Lobby.

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 MAY 2023

Average needed in April (5 weeks) to meet budget \$22,930.00 Monthly Giving - May 16,427.81

We received:

97 envelopes, 63 Simply Giving recurring payments, and 6 Give+ payments made from our website





June 2 Matthew Gillard

June 3 Nancy Amelotte

June 6 June Daly

June 7 Kendra McInerney

June 8 Dawn Anderson Emma Barber Laurie Hansen

June 12 Jan Charter Peggy Tomaszewski

June 13 Amelia Berles

June 14 Pamela Nowak

June 15 Connor Freel Craig Weise

June 16 Brianna Himes

.Anniversaries **Baptism**

June 20 Pamela Agius Kayla Bertrand Everett Haske

June 21 Tiffany Oliver Kimberly Poirier Kristin Rich Bryan Stafford

June 24 Betty Bedford Dale Schultz

June 25 Nicholas Fraley

June 26 Alecia Lewis Tyler McKenzie

June 27 Tracie Granata Roger Pankey

June 29 Josie LeMonds Chad Lewis Frin Nowak Karen Suszek

June 30 Lorah Lappan

Birthdays

June 1 Raymond Reynolds

June 4 Hope Kamyszek

June 5 Shelly Olsen Katherine Rettell Nicklas Schultz Valerie Slaght

June 9 Thomas Brennan

June 11 William Matzke

June 13 Nicholas Fraley Izzy Szymanski

June 16 Beckett Granata Harry Kautz William Whitscell

June 18 Jessica Gillard Erin Nowak

June 19 Josie LeMonds



June 20 Rhonda Anderson Angie Indish Sara Lappan

June 21 Amelia Kamyszek

June 22 Ava Lappan

June 25 Kelly Pankey Vicki VanEssen

June 26 Savannah Kamyszek

June 27 Jo Ann Reinholz

June 29 Nathan Engstrom Anne Gentry Isaac Matzke Gerri Moors

June 30 Trey Garant Andrew Lappan Mary Lappan Lucas Palmer Marco Wade Owen Wade



Wedding *Anniversaries*

8th Peter & Pamela Nowak 14th Mark & Rhonda Himes 17th Jerry & Jacquelyn Timm

Larry & Katherine Rettell 18th Bradley & Angela Indish 23rd Mark; & Tawny Freel 30th Wayne & Chris Christopherson 30th Rodney & Emily Szymanski

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday -11th

8:50 am Choir Practice **9:30 am Worship**

11:00 am Adult CE - Lounge

Monday - 12th

8am-noon Church Office Open 8am-3pm Kitchen Reserved

Tuesday - 13th

9:00 am Sewing/Quilting
11:00 am Pastors Text Study Lounge

Wednesday - 14th

8am-noon Church Office Open 4:30 pm Worship Work Group

Thursday - 15th

8am-noon 8am-3pm Church Office Open 8am-3pm Kitchen Reserved 2:00 pm ReBoot Meeting 4:00 pm Lounge Reserved

Friday - 16th

8am-noon Church Office Open 8am-3pm Kitchen Reserved

Saturday - 17th

5:00 pm Outdoor Worship

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

SERVING JUNE 10/11

Ministers God's People
Pastor Rev. Tom Orth
Music DirectorClaire Schreiber
Organist/PianistAmy Truth
Lector Cindy Domrase
Communion
Assistants Wayne & Chris Christopherson
UshersClarence & Bonnie Cross
Wayne Lewis (Sat.)
GreetersClarence & Bonnie Cross
Altar GuildKathy Piontkowski
Livestream Team Dawn Anderson, Jan
Charter, Don Barnard, Don LaBarre
CountersGary & Kay Grove
Coffee HourJoe & Dawn Gentry

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Coffee Hour	Jeff & Sandy Welch

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