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Pentecost

Grace Lutheran Church

June 5 & 6, 2021

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

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

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.

GATHERING HYMN “When Memory Fades”

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GREETING

P: The steadfast love of God never ceases.

C: God's mercies never come to an end.

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

C: And also with you.

KYRIE

Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer.

We come to hear your living word; it saves us from despair.

Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin.

Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin.

Have mercy on us, Lord; make sin and shame depart.

Renew us with your saving pow'r; create in us new hearts!

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HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.

Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth:

we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.

Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Genesis 3:8-15

Immediately after Adam and Eve eat the forbidden fruit, they hide from God. Neither takes responsibility for their sin, instead blaming each other, the snake, and even God. The curse on the snake was understood as a messianic prophecy by the early church, who associated Eve's "offspring" with Christ.

⁸[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.⁹But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, “Where are you?”¹⁰He said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.”¹¹He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?”¹²The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.”¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent tricked me, and I ate.”¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. ¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.”

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 130

Wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love. (Ps. 130:7)

¹Out of the depths

I cry to you, O LORD;

²**O LORD, hear my voice!**

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

³If you were to keep watch over sins,

O LORD, who could stand?

⁴**Yet with you is forgiveness,**

in order that you may be feared.

⁵I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits;

in your word is my hope.

⁶**My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning,
more than those who keep watch for the morning.**

⁷O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love;

with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.

⁸**For the LORD shall redeem Israel**

from all their sins.

2 Corinthians 4:13--5:1

Life in the present is transitory and cannot compare with the eternal home God has prepared for us. So we do not despair no matter what life might bring because we know that as God raised Jesus from the dead, God promises to bring us into eternal life.

¹³Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. ¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. ^{5:1}For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. The ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all people to myself. Alleluia.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Mark 3:20-35

In response to charges that he is possessed, Jesus wonders aloud how anyone who is demon-possessed can cast out demons. Those who do the will of God are possessed by the Holy Spirit, siblings of Christ.

[Jesus went home;] ²⁰and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." ²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. ²⁸"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—³⁰for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit." ³¹Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." ³³And he

replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?”³⁴ And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers!³⁵ Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

HOMILY

HYMN OF THE DAY “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

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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: Let us pray.

C: Have mercy, O God.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

**We place upon your table, Lord,
the food of life, the bread and wine,
as symbols of our daily work,
according to your grand design.**

**Accept them, Lord; they come from you;
we take them humbly from your hand.**

**These gifts of yours for higher use,
we offer up as you command.**

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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 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:

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal:...

Together as the body of Christ, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: all our sins and sorrows will be no more.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: that we may be a living tree, sharing your bounty with all the world.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P: with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, 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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: The risen Christ invites us to this table.

Come, eat and be satisfied.

HOLY COMMUNION

**O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;
You suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray.**

**O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;
You set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray.**

**O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;
Eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.**

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COMMUNION MUSIC

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.

SENDING

BLESSING

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

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN “Rise, Shine, You People!”

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

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

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

PLEASE RECYCLE BULLETINS AND ENVELOPES

You can place your bulletin and communion wafer envelope in the labelled bin by the elevator as you leave the sanctuary. Thank you.

PRAYERS

Kelly Pankey, Elaine Hatch, Scott Lancaster, Betty Dulebohn, Paul Denstaedt, Gerald Lancaster, Charlotte Werth, Hannelore Duenkel & Family (Charlotte Werth's niece), Dorothy Hansen, Verna & Tammy Furze, Larry Nelson, Michele Amelotte, Joanne Nicholls, Deb Nitchman's Family, Diane Prevost, Harold Kissau, Jim Malaski, Emma Nelson, Allison, Bishop Craig Satterlee and Synod staff, Amanda Lema (Betty Dulebohn's granddaughter), Lyn Marshall, Joanne Coughlin, Sylvia Rouech, Jimmy Lappan, Herb Schiller, Donna Hatch, Jordyn, Maggie, Genie Diamond, Laura Bleau, Sharon Anderson, Becky, Jodi Kennedy Dinnan, Stephanie Bradford, Charlotte Barnard, Jamie Shipman, Betty Kelly, Maria Shelton, Emily Cross, Liz, Lucas David, David Delano (David's Dad), Edna Delano, and Joseph Hansen.

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 concerns received by the church office by Tuesday each week will be included in the coming weekends bulletin. Please do have the person's permission for inclusion and realize it is published online, so more than our congregation will know about it.

IN OUR PRAYERS

From the LARCC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Congregational UCC) parishes of Alpena, this weekend we pray for the Ruth Circle at Grace Lutheran Church. Our Synod Prayer Partners for this week: Grace Lutheran Church/East Tawas, Rev. Max Miller.

MASKS ARE OPTIONAL

Following the CDC and Michigan DHHS guidelines for fully vaccinated people, masks are now optional at Grace. If you are more comfortable wearing a mask for your circumstances, or if your wearing a mask helps other people be safer we welcome your doing so. Thank you for helping end this pandemic and take the steps that care for others.

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 or recording.

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

macaroni and cheese; individual breakfast cereals; pancake mix and syrup; paper products - paper towels and toilet paper; baby foods; bread; quick easy meals for one

THANK YOU

Dear Church Family, Thank you so much for the cards and prayers for Don. It was comforting to know so many care. Tammy and I will be returning to church soon. Peace be with you. Love to you all, Verna and Tammy Furze

NEW ADDRESS

Dorothy Hansen has a new phone number/address and would love to hear from her friends at Grace. Phone: 1-989-736-0828. Address: c/o Maple Ridge Care Home, 1195 Stuve Ranch Rd., Barton City, MI 48705.

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP

Thank you to those who have planted flowers, Gerri Moors, and spread mulch around the church, Jeff Welch with Joel Suszek. **If you would like to help maintain the flower beds and plantings around the church, please contact the office.** There is more mulch here now to spread around.

GRACE QUILTERS

Grace Quilters are meeting again on Tuesdays from 9-11 a.m. All are welcome!

NO MORE PLASTIC BAGS PLEASE

As we do not have any current projects using plastic bags at this time, **we ask that you do not drop off any more plastic bags at the church.** Please continue to recycle them at other locations where they are still being collected. Thank you for understanding!

FLAT SHEETS NEEDED FOR QUILTING GROUP

The quilters will be needing flat sheets in good used condition for future use. Sheets may be dropped off at the church any time.

CHRIST IN OUR HOMES DEVOTIONAL FOR APRIL-JUNE

Christ in Our Homes Devotional for April-June is available in the Office Lobby. Pick one up during office hours of Tuesday - Thursday 8 am to noon or call the office and we will mail one to you.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The Church Office is open Tuesday-Thursday, from 8 a.m. - noon.

June



Birthdays



Anniversaries of Baptism

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 11
James Clemens, Jr.

June 12
Jan Charter
Peggy Tomaszewski

June 13
Amelia Berles

June 14
Pamela Nowak
James (J.J.) Timrick

June 15
Connor Freel
Craig Weise

June 16
Brianna Himes

June 20
Pamela Agius
Kayla Bertrand
Everett Haske

June 21
Tiffany LaFave
Kimberly Poirier
Kristin Rich
Bryan Stafford

June 23
Julie Townsend

June 24
Betty Bedford
Dale Schultz

June 25
Nicholas Fraley

June 26
Alecia Lewis
Tyler McKenzie
Stacey Townsend

June 27
Tracie Granata
Roger Pankey

June 29
Josie LeMonds
Chad Lewis
Erin Nowak
Karen Suszek

June 30
Lorah Lappan

June 1
Raymond Reynolds

June 4
Hope Kamyszek

June 5
Shelly Olsen
Nicklas Schultz
Valerie Slaght

June 7
Whitney Barrow

June 9
Thomas Brennan

June 11
William Matzke

June 13
Nicholas Fraley

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
18th Bradley & Angela Indish

23rd Mark & Tawny Freel
27th Alec & Sharlene Kennedy
30th Wayne & Chris Christopherson

GENERAL FUND GIVING

Average needed each week to meet budget	\$ 4,489.00
Weekly giving - May 23	1,628.00
Weekly giving - May 30	3,590.00

We received:

41 envelopes, 38 Simply Giving recurring payments,
and 3 Give+ payments made from our website

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