

Grace Lutheran
Worship Folder

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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 comfortable)

(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, whose compassion endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Compassionate God,

C: we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

P: Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, our sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

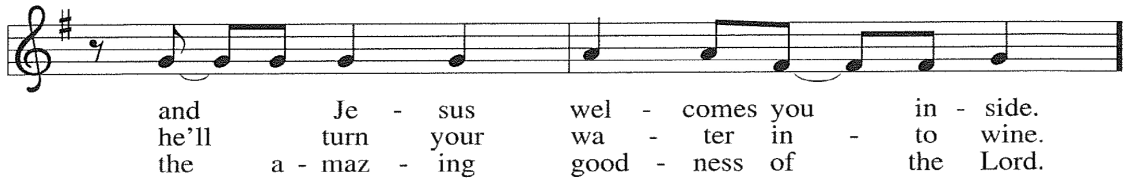
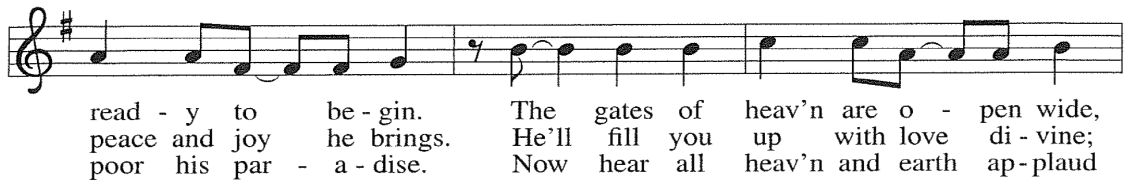
C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN "The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing"

R531



1 The trum - pets sound, the an - gels sing, the feast is
2 Ta - bles are la - den with good things; oh, taste the
3 The hun - gry heart he sat - is - fies, of - fers the



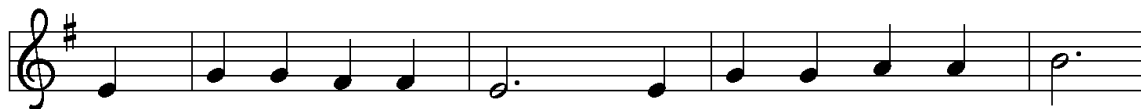
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GREETING

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



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

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HYMN OF PRAISE



- 1 Glo - ry be to God in heav - en; peace, good - will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo - ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho - ly One we now ac - claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might - y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of love, giver of life, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them, keep us from those things that harm us, and guide us in the way of salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

Ezekiel challenges those who think they cannot change because of what their parents were and did, or who think they cannot reverse their own previous behavior. God insistently invites people to turn and live.

¹ The word of the LORD came to me: ² What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, “The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge”? ³ As I live, says the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. ⁴ Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins who shall die. ²⁵ Yet you say, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? ²⁶ When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed, they shall die. ²⁷ Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. ²⁸ Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. ²⁹ Yet the house of Israel says, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? ³⁰ Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. ³¹ Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart

and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? ³² For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord GOD. Turn, then, and live.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25:1-9

Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love. (Ps. 25:6)

¹ To you, O LORD,
I lift up my soul.

² **My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

³ Let none who look to you be put to shame;
rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

⁴ **Show me your ways, O LORD,
and teach me your paths.**

⁵ Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

⁶ **Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.**

⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your
goodness, O LORD.

⁸ **You are gracious and upright, O LORD;
therefore you teach sinners in your way.**

⁹ You lead the lowly in justice
and teach the lowly your way.

Philippians 2:1-13

As part of a call for harmony rather than self-seeking, Paul uses a very early Christian hymn that extols the selflessness of Christ in his obedient death on the cross. Christ's selfless perspective is to be the essential perspective we share as the foundation for Christian accord.

¹ If, then, there is any comfort in Christ, any consolation from love, any partnership in the Spirit, any tender affection and sympathy, ² make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or empty conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴ Let each of you look not to your own interests but to the interests of others. ⁵ Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be

grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, ⁸ he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, ¹⁰ so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. ¹² Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence but much more now in my absence, work on your own salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³ for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

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P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

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

Matthew 21:23-32

After driving the moneychangers out of the temple (21:12), Jesus begins teaching there. His authority is questioned by the religious leaders, who are supposed to be in charge of the temple.

²³ When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” ²⁴ Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵ Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?” And they argued with one another, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why, then, did you not believe him?’ ²⁶ But if we say, ‘Of human origin,’ we are afraid of the crowd, for all regard John as a prophet.” ²⁷ So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. ²⁸ “What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ ²⁹ He answered, ‘I will not,’ but later he changed his mind and went. ³⁰ The father went to the second and said the same, and he answered, ‘I go, sir,’ but he did not go. ³¹ Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. ³² For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him, and even after you saw it you did not change your minds and believe him.”

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

HOMILY

(The assembly stands as they are comfortable)

HYMN OF THE DAY “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

R773



1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
2 When my way grows . . drear, pre-cious Lord, lin - ger near,
3 When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws . . near,

I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
when my life is . . . al - most . . gone,
and the day is . . . past and . . . gone,

Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall.
at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.

Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.

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PRECIOUS LORD
Irregular

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: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

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...Loving God,

C: we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.

P: This is Jesus's table. He invites all to come and receive the gifts that strengthen us, that help us be God's people this day and always.

(There are gluten-free wafers available. Please ask the Pastor for one. And there is grape juice in the center of each tray, the clear juice.)

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

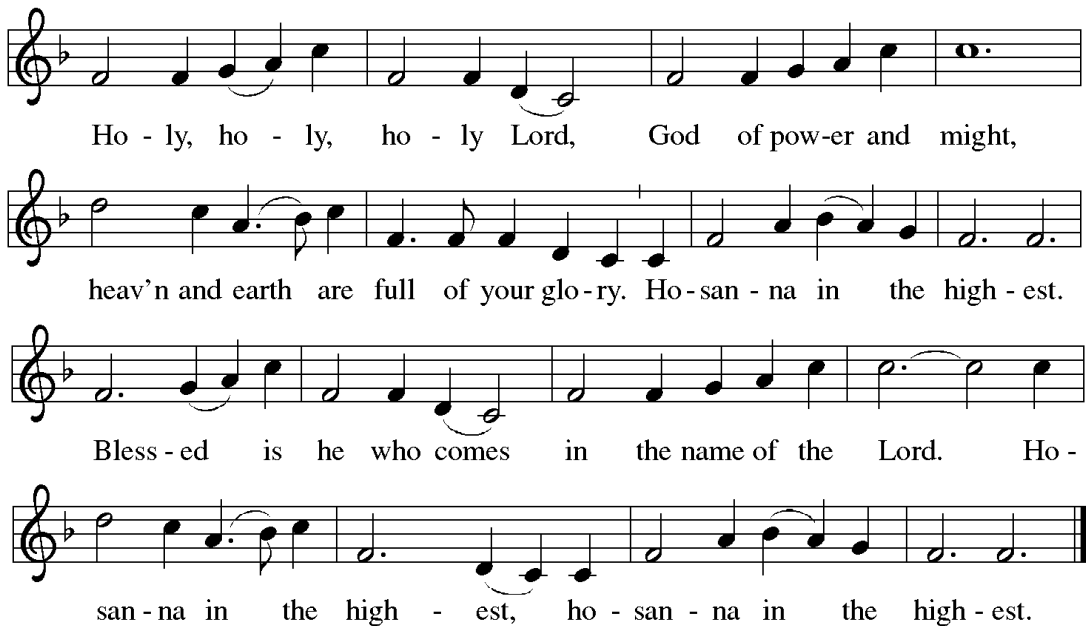
C: We lift them to the Lord.

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 to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus

Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC 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,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

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

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

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: Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

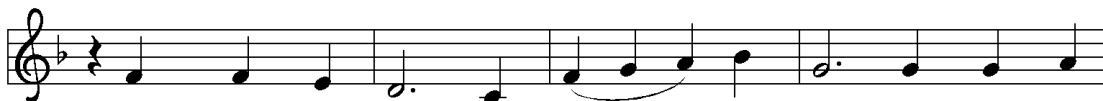


1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

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1 O bless - ed spring, where word and sign em - brace us
 2 Through sum - mer heat of youth - ful years, un - cer - tain
 3 When au - tumn cools and youth is cold, when limbs their
 4 As win - ter comes, as win - ters must, we breathe our
 5 Christ, ho - ly Vine, Christ, liv - ing Tree, be praised for



in - to Christ the Vine: here Christ en - joins each one to
 faith, re - bel - lious tears, sus - tained by Christ's in - fus - ing
 heav - y har - vest hold, then through us, warm, the Christ will
 last, re - turn to dust; still held in Christ, our souls take
 this blest mys - ter - y: that word and wa - ter thus re -



be a branch of this life - giv - ing Tree.
 rain, the boughs will shout for joy a - gain.
 move with gifts of beau - ty, wis - dom, love.
 wing and trust the prom - ise of the spring.
 vive and join us to your Tree of Life.

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Music: BERGLUND, Robert Buckley Farlee, 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...Compassionate God,

C: through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, + one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

“The Lord Now Sends Us Forth”

R538

The musical score is written for a single voice part in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of six staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes, with Spanish and English versions provided for each line. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The score ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

En - via - do soy de Dios, mi ma - no lis - ta es - tá
The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,

pa - ra cons-truir con él un mun - do fra - ter - nal.
to make of all the earth a bet - ter place to live.

Los án - ge - les no son en - via - dos a cam - biar
The an - gels are not sent in - to our world of pain

un mun - do de do - lor por un mun - do me - jor;
to do what we were meant to do in Je - sus' name;

me ha to - ca - do a mí ha - cer - lo rea - li - dad.
that falls to you and me and all who are made free.

A - yú - da - me, Se - ñor, a ha - cer tu vo - lun - tad.
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will to - day.

Text: Anonymous, Central America; tr. Gerhard M. Cartford, b. 1923

Music: ENVIADO, anonymous, Central America
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

P: Go in peace. Seek equality and justice for all.

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 Celebration of Will's Birthday!

Given by Janet & Gary Bettega

THANK YOU

Thank you to the Rev. Tom Downs for leading worship, preaching and presiding this weekend.

SYNOD PRAYER PARTNER

Our Synod Prayer Partner for this week: Immanuel Lutheran/Allegan, Rev. Christopher Laughlin; and Bishop Julie Schneider-Thomas and Synod Staff.

PRAYER LETTERS

Please sign the prayer letter(s) each week that we send out telling other churches and ministries they have been included in our prayers. **Fill the page with our names.** The letter(s) are on the podium by the table in the Office Lobby.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Meredith Smith, Jon Crow, Larry Garant, Patti Tucker, Bonnie Cross, Darlene Freel, Hope Kamyszek, Sandy Malaski, Janet Chroninger, Elfie Jahnke, Robert Larsen, Elaine Hatch, Scott Lancaster, Emma Nelson, Michele Amelotte, Jim Malaski, Kelly Pankey -- Nicole Zbytowski, Dana Cruse-Malcomson, Cheryl Gauthier, Tamyra Rychlinski, Ho-Ok Nam Lin (Pastor Seok Nam Lin's mother), Maria Shelton, Lysie, Becky & Dante, Tyson, Georgia, Lyle Beck, Candy & Tom Laughlin, Joan Vanover, Mychele Allmacher, Sandra Beck, Laura Fettes (Don Cross' granddaughter), Donna Kendziorski, Jeff Kendziorski, Jordyn, Maggie, Joseph Hansen and Baby J.

Military: Don Witt, 6-month deployment from Alpena, Will Stafford (Rich & Sherie McTaggart's grandson), Amelia Berles, US Air Force Pilot Training, and Michael Herrmann, US Air Force.

CHOIR AND BELL CHOIR HAVE STARTED

Choir and Bell Choir have started on Wednesday evenings. Choir starts at 5:15 pm and the bell choir begins at 6:00 pm. All are welcome to come have fun and make music!

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND - SEPT. 26/27

On September 26 & 27 we will be collecting donations for the Little Food Pantry. Items that are used the most are cereal, peanut butter, jam, and personal care products such as toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo and soap. Our pantry is also getting low in canned fruits and vegetables.

Thank you for your generous contributions, which help Grace continue this important ministry of providing for those in need. We are also grateful to the dedicated team of volunteers who stock the pantry each week. If you are interested in joining this effort, please speak with Mary Lappan.

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED - SEPTEMBER 27

Please join the ACE discussion at 11:00 a.m. on September 27 in the Lounge. The topic for our discussion is how we may view the Bible from a literary perspective. We'll narrow that down to the Book of Genesis and select stories from that in which we are all familiar: Adam and Eve, Cain and Abel, Noah and the flood and the Tower of Babel. What literary themes emerge? What literary approaches add to our appreciation of these stories? There is also a position that says to look at the Bible through this secular lens trespasses on the Scriptures' sacredness. Are these stories but works of fiction used to illuminate God's Truth? Please join us as either a listener or a participant as we examine this topic.

RANDOM ACT OF GRACE -

FEEDING KIDS PACKING - SEPTEMBER 28 AT 5:30 PM - SUNSET SCHOOL

Join us as we fill up weekend food packs for kids in Alpena Public Schools. For those that can help, a sign-up sheet is located in the Office Lobby.

FALL CLEAN UP - OCTOBER 10 • 9-11 AM

Volunteers are needed for our annual Fall Cleanup. Help us spruce up our church, both inside and out.

Outside: Trimming shrubs, weeding, and cleaning up the road sign.

Inside: Removing cobwebs and cleaning windows.

Doughnuts and coffee will be provided! Please sign up in the Office Lobby if you are able to help. Many hands make light work, and we appreciate your help.

GAME NIGHT - OCTOBER 22

Game Night is rapidly approaching. This is the Quilting Group's second fundraiser (and last) for this year. If you would like to donate a food item or two, it would be greatly appreciated. A list of items used is on the table in the Office Lobby. A box for non-refrigerated/frozen items will be near the table. **Please have items here by Sunday, October 18.** Refrigerated items may be put in a bag and labeled for Game Night before being put in the refrigerator. **Card tables are also requested.** Thank you in advance and we hope to see some of you there. -- Grace Quilters

NEW TIME & TALENT SCHEDULES

New Time & Talent schedules beginning October 1 are now available. Printed copies may be picked up next to the bulletin board across from the Fellowship Hall, and copies are also posted on the bulletin board. Schedules can also be viewed online on our website under the "Schedules" tab. If you have volunteered, please check the new schedules. If you would like more information about serving in any of these areas, please contact the Church Office. Thank you for your willingness to serve!

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.



Anniversaries of Baptism



September 1
Britni Nowak

September 5
Jon Crow
Aaron Nowak

September 10
Dawn Gentry
Jim Hansen
Brian Nelson

September 13
Izzy Szymanski

September 14
Astrid Fitzpatrick

September 20
Mark Freel
Caileigh Nitchman

September 27
Jonathan Lang
Wayne Lewis
Marco Wade
Owen Wade

September 28
Rachel Engstrom

September 29
T. J. Lappan
Chuck McKay



2nd Clarence & Bonnie Cross
11th Jim & Laurie Hansen
16th Tom & Jessica McKenzie

Birthdays



September 4
Marcie Law

September 10
Ryan Werblow

September 11
Donald Cross
Steven Garant

September 12
Shane Bullard
Jacquelyn R. Timm

September 14
Izzy Denstaedt
Nic Timmreck

September 15
Thomas Bertrand

September 17
William Bock

September 18
Maia Slominski

September 24
Judith Douglas

September 26
Joseph Gentry

September 27
Cheryl Lang

September 28
Darlene Freel
Ann O'Connor

September 29
John Kuligowski
Jessica McKenzie
Dennis Werblow

September 30
Ella Sandula
Kady Sandula
Connie Suszek

Wedding Anniversaries

17th Gordon & Karen Suszek
19th Joel & Cindy Suszek
24th Steven & Caitlin Wade
30th Alan & Sally Brilinski



OCTOBER

Annversaries of Baptism



October 4
Madelyn Boyd

October 10
Wayne Christopherson

October 12
Kay Grove

October 15
Matthew Anderson
Molly O'Connor

October 20
Shane Bullard

October 21
Thomas Bertrand
Drew Gentry

October 27
Piper Slominski

October 29
Mya Styra

October 30
Marcie Law
Connie Suszek



*1st Dawn & Brett Anderson 17th Ron & Jo Ann Smith
3rd Matt & Ruby Haske*

Birthdays

October 2
Jim Berles
Adam Kirchoff

October 3
Ellie Walker

October 5
Mike Morgan

October 6
Christopher Pionkowski

October 7
Ken Amlotte
Richard Carlson
Kimberly McCourt

October 10
Gary Grove

October 13
David Dekett
Sandra Welch

October 14
Tamar Furze

October 15
Kody Bertrand

October 18
Brian Schiller
Jim Timrick

October 20
Erika Nicholls

October 21
Jewel Lancaster

October 22
Jessica Slominski

October 23
Emma Nelson

October 25
Staci Chroninger

October 28
Cindy Domrase
Andrea Matzke

October 29
Caileigh Nitchman

October 31
Jessica Konarzewski

Wedding Anniversaries

GENERAL FUND GIVING FOR AUGUST 2026

Average needed in August (5 weeks) to meet budget	\$ 24,065.00
Monthly Giving - August	23,360.58

We received:

140 envelopes, 67 Simply Giving recurring payments,
6 Give+ payments made from our website and 6 Thrivent Choice donations.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday – 27th **LFP Collection Weekend**
9:30 am **Worship**
11:00 am Adult Ed - Lounge

Monday - 28th
8am-noon Church Office Open
8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved
5:30 pm Feeding Kids Packing
 at Sunset School

Tuesday - 29th
8am-noon Church Office Open
9am-noon Quilting/Sewing

Wednesday - 30th
8am-noon Church Office Open

Thursday - 1st
8am-noon Church Office Open
8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved

Friday - 2nd
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved

Saturday - 3rd
5:00 pm **Worship**

SERVING SEPTEMBER 26/27

Ministers God's People
Pastor Rev. Tom Downs
Music Director Claire Witt
OrganistKat Tomaszewski
Comm. Asst...... Sherie McTaggart, Jo Ann Smith
Lector Audrey Garant
Ushers..... Matt, Everett & Olivia Haske
 Wayne Lewis (Sat.)
Greeters Dawn Anderson, Pat Schultz,
 Bruno Hirzel
Altar Guild..... Mary Rowader,
 Jewel Lancaster (Sat. Set Up)
Livestream Team ... Dawn Anderson, Jan Charter,
 Don LaBarre, Alex Struble
Counters..... Cheryl Lang, Cindy Suszek,
 Stephanie Suszek
Coffee Hour Jeff & Sandy Welch

SERVING OCTOBER 3/4

Ministers God's People
Pastor Rev. Tom Downs
Music Director Claire Witt
OrganistKat Tomaszewski
Comm. Asst...... Wayne & Chris Christopherson
Lector Pat Daly
Ushers..... Wayne & Chris Christopherson,
 Mary Rowader, June Daly
Greeters Rick & Sharon Engstrom
Altar Guild..... Cindy Suszek, Cheryl Werblow
Livestream Team ... Dawn Anderson, Jan Charter,
 Don LaBarre, Alex Struble
Counters..... Gary & Kay Grove
Coffee Hour Joel & Cindy Suszek

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

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