



# GRACE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

**The Holy Communion  
The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 22, 2021  
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.**

# WELCOME TO GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

**We welcome you** in the name of Jesus Christ as we gather to hear God's holy Word and celebrate the meal of Holy Communion. We are blessed by your presence, just as you are. As God welcomes all people through the saving grace of Jesus, so do we seek to welcome God's people of all races, social statuses, physical and mental abilities, sexual orientations, and gender identities to be together in Christ – to love, to grow, and to serve. Should you have no church home, you are invited to consider Grace. We encourage you to fill out the perforated page on the back of the bulletin and place it in the offering plate. Welcome!

**Children's resources**, including activity bags, worship bulletins and booster seats, are available in the narthex and from the ushers.

**Nursery care** is provided at the 8:30 worship service for children ages 4 and under. The nursery is located across from Fellowship Hall. From the atrium, go through the Lamb Door by the elevator, up half a flight of stairs and turn right. From the sanctuary, go through the door by the stone baptismal font, up the stairs and turn left. A silent paging system allows the nursery staff to contact parents when needed.

**Assistance in Worship:** For those who find it difficult to stand during any part of the service, please remain seated and contact an usher if you would like Holy Communion to be brought to you. Sound enhancement units are available in the back of the church. Large print bulletins are available from the ushers in the back of the church and at the Division Street door.

**Please silence** all cell phones and other electronic devices. Thank you.

**In Holy Communion** the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. All baptized Christians are invited to the table where Christ himself is host. If you desire to be baptized, or to learn more about Holy Baptism, please speak to one of the pastors.

**Educational opportunities** occur between worship services at 9:45. Topics and locations for classes are listed at the end of this bulletin under "This Week at Grace."

**Grace Council Statement on Racism:** The events that have unfolded in our nation in recent months have reawakened us to the deep divides that still exist within our country. Racism, manifested in individual acts and present throughout systems, continues to prevent us from being the beloved community that God intends. Our faith in the crucified and risen Christ compels us to speak. We speak against the sin of racism. We speak in solidarity with Black people and all people of color, each of whom is precious to God. We stand with and for Black people within our church and school and in the larger community.

We commit ourselves to following Jesus Christ into the world in the hope that, by the Spirit's power, God's Kingdom would come on earth as it is in heaven. We look with hope and anticipation to a season of growth and change as Grace becomes a more faithful witness to God's wide welcome in Christ. We see this as the of beginning, not the end, the conversation. We pray for the Holy Spirit to guide us, and for the courage to follow.

## As We Gather

Today we reach the conclusion of Jesus' proclamation of himself as the Bread of Life. He ends with words that are hard to understand, telling us that those who eat his flesh and drink his blood abide in him and will live forever. Many who had followed him up to that point turned away from Jesus because of these words. What they did not understand is that Jesus would give his flesh and blood upon the cross for the sake of the world. His death and resurrection have become the lifeblood of creation, the feast of our redemption, in which we partake again today. Jesus' words are difficult, but they are gracious. This Bread is all we need. Let us, with Joshua, put away all other idols and false hopes. Let our household worship this God alone.

*I am the Lord your God,  
who brought you out of the  
land of Egypt, out of the  
house of slavery.*

—Exodus 20:2



Photo by Al Swanson

# ✠ GATHERING ✠

**PRELUDE:** La Captive, Op. 40, No. 1

Amy Marcy Cheney Beach

*We stand.*

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P** In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just  
will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination*

**P** Most merciful God,

**C** **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will  
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

**P** In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us  
and, for his sake, God forgives us all our sins.  
As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority,  
I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins,  
in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

*We face the cross in procession.*

**ENTRANCE HYMN: As We Gather at Your Table**

**ELW #522**

1 As we gath-er at your ta-ble, as we lis-ten to your word,  
2 Turn our wor-ship in-to wit-ness in the sac-ra-ment of life;  
3 Gra-cious Spir-it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast

help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.  
send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.  
where tri-um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.

Nour-ish us with sa-cred sto-ry till we claim it as our own;  
Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for-give as you for-gave;  
There no more will en-vy blind us nor will pride our peace de-stroy,

teach us through this ho-ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic-t'ry known.  
may we still be-hold your im-age in the world you died to save.  
as we join with saints and an-gels to re-peat the sound-ing joy.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenliedjes en Contradansen*, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855–1932

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## APOSTOLIC GREETING

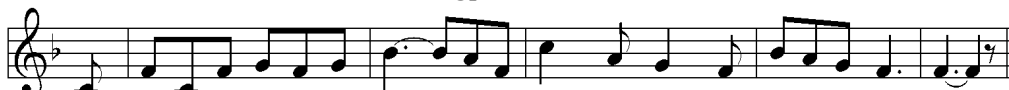
**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** And also with you.

## HYMN OF PRAISE: Salvation Belongs to Our God

*Women sing parts marked ①. Men sing parts marked ②.*

*All sing parts marked ③.*



**③** Sal-va-tion be-longs to our God and to Christ the Lamb for-ev-er and ev - er.



**①** Great and won-der-ful are your deeds, O God of the u-ni-verse;



just and true are your ways, O Rul - er of all the na-tions.



Who can fail to hon-or you, Lord, and sing the glo-ry of your name?



**③** Sal-va-tion be-longs to our God and to Christ the Lamb for-ev-er and ev - er.



**②** For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One. All



na - tions will draw near and wor - ship be - fore you,



for your just and ho - ly works have been re-vealed.



**C** Sal-va-tion be-longs to our God and to Christ the Lamb for-ev-er and ev - er.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Holy God, your word feeds your people with life that is eternal.  
Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth, that,  
renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in you;  
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** Amen.

*We sit.*

### (11:00) RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

## ✝ WORD ✝

### FIRST READING: Joshua 24:1–2a, 14–18

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. <sup>2</sup>And Joshua said to all the people, <sup>14</sup>“Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. <sup>15</sup>Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”

<sup>16</sup>Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; <sup>17</sup>for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; <sup>18</sup>and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.”

<sup>23</sup>Joshua said, “Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the LORD, the God of Israel.” <sup>24</sup>The people said to Joshua, “The LORD our God we will serve, and him we will obey.”

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

ANTIPHON: The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous.

- L** The eyes of the Lord are up- | on the righteous,\*  
and his ears are open | to their cry.
- C** **The face of the Lord is against those | who do evil,\*  
to root out the remembrance of them | from the earth.**
- L** The righteous cry, and | the Lord hears them\*  
and delivers them from | all their troubles.
- C** **The Lord is near to the | brokenhearted\*  
and will save those whose spir- | its are crushed.**
- L** Many are the troubles | of the righteous,\*  
but the Lord will deliver him out | of them all.
- C** **He will keep safe | all his bones;\*  
not one of them | shall be broken.**
- L** Evil shall | slay the wicked,\*  
and those who hate the righteous | will be punished.
- C** **The Lord ransoms the life | of his servants,\*  
and none will be punished who | trust in him.**

**SECOND READING:** Ephesians 6:10–20

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. <sup>11</sup>Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup>Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup>Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. <sup>15</sup>As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup>Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

<sup>18</sup>Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. <sup>19</sup>Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup>for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

- L** The Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**



*We stand.*

## GOSPEL VERSE: John 6:68



## HOLY GOSPEL: John 6:56–69

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.

**C** Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] “Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup>Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.” <sup>59</sup>He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

<sup>60</sup>When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?” <sup>61</sup>But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, “Does this offend you? <sup>62</sup>Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? <sup>63</sup>It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. <sup>64</sup>But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. <sup>65</sup>And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.”

<sup>66</sup>Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. <sup>67</sup>So Jesus asked the twelve, “Do you also wish to go away?” <sup>68</sup>Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. <sup>69</sup>We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to you, O Christ.

*We sit.*

## CHILDREN’S SERMON

**SERMON:** Flesh and Blood

Pastor David R. Lyle  
John 6:56–69

1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;  
 2 Oh, let me feel you near me; the world is ev - er near.  
 3 Oh, let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still  
 4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you

re - main for - ev - er near me, my mas - ter and my friend.  
 I see the sights that daz - zle, the tempt - ing sounds I hear.  
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will.  
 that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.

I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,  
 My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;  
 Now speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;  
 And Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;

nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.  
 but, Je - sus, then draw near - er to shield my soul from sin.  
 now speak and make me lis - ten, O Guard - ian of my soul.  
 oh, give me grace to fol - low, my mas - ter and my friend.

## APOSTLES' CREED

**P** Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

**C** I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.

He 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

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*Each petition concludes:*

**A** Lord, in your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

*The prayers conclude:*

**P** Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,  
Trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

✠ MEAL ✠

## PEACE OF CHRIST

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

*We greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

*We sit.*

**OFFERING/VOLUNTARY:** Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup

Michael D. Costello

*Giving is one of the ways we participate in all that God is doing through Grace.*

*Visit [GraceRiverForest.org](http://GraceRiverForest.org) to give online.*

*At the conclusion of the Voluntary we stand and sing the Offertory Hymn.*

**OFFERTORY HYMN:** Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup (Stanzas 1–2)

(blue) **WOV #706**

*Refrain*

Eat this bread, drink this cup. Taste and see the good-ness of God.

Bread of life, cup of love, we re-joice in your pres-ence.

1 I will bless the Lord at all times, praise with heart and voice;  
2 Look up - on the Lord, be ra - dant, nev - er turn a - way.

*Refrain*

in my God I glo - ry for - ev - er: lis - ten and re - joice!  
God will save in ev - 'ry af - flic - tion, hear us when we pray.

Text: Jeremy Young, b. 1948, refrain; *With One Voice*, stanzas, based on Ps. 34

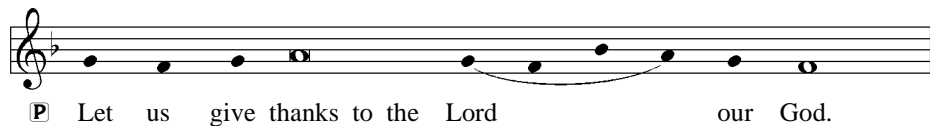
Music: STONERIDGE, Jeremy Young

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## OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A** Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C** we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—  
our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love.  
Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us,  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## GREAT THANKSGIVING



- P** It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. 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 the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



**P** Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.

In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son,  
that all those who believe in him  
should not perish, but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you  
for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.

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.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts,  
that we may receive our Lord with a living faith  
as he comes to us in his holy supper.

**C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**P** Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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** The gifts of God for the people of God.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**P** Come, for all is now ready.

*We sit.*

## AGNUS DEI



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## COMMUNION

*Our Lord Jesus Christ welcomes you to this meal of the baptized. The crucified and risen Christ is present in the Lord's Supper, giving us his true body and blood as food and drink.*

*Please remove your mask as you approach the head of the aisle, where we receive the consecrated wafer and then drink from one of the individual cups.*

*Non-alcoholic wine is in the center of the tray.*

*Those with a gluten allergy may pick up a gluten-free host from the table at the head of the aisle.*

## MUSIC FOR THE COMMUNION

**VOLUNTARY:** Pastorale, Op. 151

Amy Beach

# HYMN: Jesus, Come! For We Invite You

(blue) WOV #648



1 Je - sus, come! for we in - vite you, guest and mas - ter,  
2 Je - sus, come! trans-form our plea - sures, guide us in - to  
3 Je - sus, come! in new cre - a - tion, heav'n brought near in  
4 Je - sus, come! sur - prise our dull - ness, make us will - ing



friend and Lord; now, as once at Ca - na's wed - ding,  
paths un - known; bring your gifts, com-mand your ser - vants,  
pow'r di - vine; give your un - ex - pect - ed glo - ry,  
to re - ceive more than we can yet im - ag - ine,



speak and let us hear your word: lead us through our need or  
let us trust in you a - lone: though your hand may work in  
chang-ing wa - ter in - to wine: rouse the faith of your dis -  
all the best you have to give: let us find your hid - den



doubt - ing, hope be born and joy re - stored.  
se - cret, all shall see what you have done.  
ci - ples— come, our first and great - est Sign!  
rich - es, taste your love, be - lieve, and live!

Text: Christopher Idle, b. 1938

Music: UNION SEMINARY, Harold Friedell, 1905–1958

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*We stand.*

## **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER**

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

**C** **Amen.**

**A** Let us pray.  
Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord,  
and unite the wills of those  
whom you have fed with one heavenly food;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

## *(8:30)* **RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

# **✠ SENDING ✠**

## **BENEDICTION**

**P** Almighty God: Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**



# SENDING HYMN: Father, We Thank You

(blue) WOV #704



1 Fa - ther, we thank you that you plant - ed your ho - ly name with -  
2 Watch o'er your church, O Lord, in mer - cy, save it from e - vil,



in our hearts. Knowl-edge and faith and life im-mor - tal Je - sus your  
guard it still; per - fect it in your love, u - nite it, cleansed and con -



Son to us im - parts. Lord, you have made all for your plea - sure,  
formed un - to your will. As grain, once scat - tered on the hill - sides,



and giv'n us food for all our days, giv - ing in Christ the  
was in this bro - ken bread made one, so from all lands your



bread e - ter - nal; yours is the pow'r, yours be the praise.  
church be gath - ered in - to your king - dom by your Son.

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; para. F. Bland Tucker, 1895–1984, alt.  
Music: RENDEZ À DIEU, attr. Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561  
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## DISMISSAL

- Ⓐ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- Ⓑ Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE: Mazurka, Op. 40, No. 3

Amy Beach

## LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Troy E. Medlin, presiding minister

The Rev. David R. Lyle, preaching minister

The Rev. Karl Reko, assisting minister

The Rev. Michael D. Costello, cantor

Jeremy Zimmer, assistant cantor

Jean Hatmaker, cellist

(8:30) Rich Schubkegel, lector

(11:00) Carrie Simpson, lector

(8:30) Donna Serpico, altar guild

(11:00) Scott and Linda Street, altar guild

(8:30) Justin Martin, videographer

(8:30) Anne Claud, sound board operator

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# LET US PRAY. . .

## Those who are sick and recovering from illness

Diane Amati	Rosemary Cheatem	Amy Juel	Jennifer Murtoff
Annalise Balock	Louis Elia	Phyllis Kersten	Pat Scala
Cathy Barker	Carl Gruendler	Joan Koerber	Jim Scherer
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Pat B. ( <i>friend of Pat Anderson</i> )		Beth Luebbe and family ( <i>sister of Jenny Luebbe</i> )	
Javed Bachew ( <i>relative of Susan Franzone</i> )		Joyce and John Lunde ( <i>friends of Susan Messerli</i> )	
Greg Ball ( <i>friend of Irmgard Swanson</i> )		Esther Martz ( <i>friend of Susie Calhoun</i> )	
Vera Leora Barnett ( <i>friend of Paul Eichwedel</i> )		Anne Matthys ( <i>mother of Susan Curran</i> )	
Shari Barnich ( <i>friend of Randy Schnack</i> )		Leone, Gracie, and Brian Maxwell ( <i>cousins of Tom and Deb Maxwell</i> )	
Sophie Bartell ( <i>granddaughter of Marvin and Judy Bartell</i> )		John Moehlenkamp ( <i>brother of Marilyn Moehlenkamp</i> )	
James Beglin ( <i>cousin of Cathy Schnittker</i> )		Carole Nelson ( <i>mother of Michael Nelson</i> )	
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Karen Berglund ( <i>friend of Carol Stanger</i> )		Elaine Pierce ( <i>friend of Al and Irmgard Swanson</i> )	
Florence Breed ( <i>cousin of Irmgard Swanson</i> )		Jacob Pletan ( <i>great-nephew of Ruth Rehwaldt &amp; Gick Schmidt</i> )	
Susan Cahill ( <i>cousin of Randy Schnack</i> )		Sarah Ponder ( <i>friend of Hans and Donna Dumpys</i> )	
Jamie Carpenter ( <i>cousin of Jay and Scott Christopher</i> )		James Powers ( <i>friend of Al Swanson</i> )	
James Cordes ( <i>brother of Bruce Cordes</i> )		Susan Prather ( <i>cousin of Adrienne and Ronald Rott</i> )	
Stella Dillberg ( <i>mother of Gretchen Weaver; grandmother of Grace School student Julia Weaver</i> )		Mark Redheffer ( <i>son of Virginia Walker</i> )	
Patti and Neal Enslin ( <i>friends of Marilyn Heppner</i> )		Ronald Riley ( <i>friend of Al Swanson</i> )	
Seth Flanders ( <i>friend of Cathy and Paul Schnittker</i> )		Florence Saeger ( <i>friend of Karl and Ruth Reko</i> )	
James Flutch ( <i>nephew of Valerie Spiller</i> )		Esther Samuelson-Roberts ( <i>granddaughter of Harriet and John Roberts</i> )	
Benjamin Galiher ( <i>nephew of Paul May</i> )		Jennifer Sandahl ( <i>friend of Jennifer Murtoff</i> )	
Chandramma Gantepalli ( <i>mother of Hena Gantepalli</i> )		Mary Lu Shipstad ( <i>friend of Marilyn Heppner</i> )	
Luke Gawencka ( <i>friend of Eunice Spurgat</i> )		Huxley Shoup and family ( <i>friends of Marilyn and Ken Heppner</i> )	
Mike Guss ( <i>friend of Lance and Stephanie Wilkening</i> )		Nancy Stelling ( <i>friend of Pastor Phyllis Kersten</i> )	
Jerry Haase ( <i>friend of Mary Margaret Bartley &amp; Stewart Clarke</i> )		Lee Stephens ( <i>brother of Tony</i> )	
Jill Hanssen ( <i>niece of Ann Mason</i> )		Jennifer Sylvester ( <i>daughter of Janet Sylvester</i> )	
Harry Heppner ( <i>brother of Ken Heppner</i> )		Martin A. Thieme ( <i>brother of Susan Franzone</i> )	
Margaret Hofmaier ( <i>mother of Barbara Hofmaier</i> )		Ilene Thompson ( <i>sister of Marilyn Heppner</i> )	
Alice Hollis ( <i>friend of Marge Sanger</i> )		Jan Thomson ( <i>sister-in-law of Christine Phillips</i> )	
John Hunt ( <i>friend of Ken and Marilyn Heppner</i> )		Mary Lou and Ron Wagoner ( <i>sister and brother-in-law of Stan Reddel</i> )	
Doug Kelner ( <i>friend of Irmgard and Al Swanson</i> )		Verna Walsh ( <i>aunt of Dan and Deanna Marotz</i> )	
Don Kersten ( <i>brother of Phyllis Kersten</i> )		Bob Weaver ( <i>husband of Gretchen</i> )	
Andrew Korcek ( <i>friend of Eunice Spurgat</i> )		Daniel Wenzel ( <i>friend of Pat Anderson</i> )	
George Kozuchowski ( <i>friend of Timothy Douma</i> )		Lucy White ( <i>friend of Mary Beth Logas</i> )	
Arnold Krubsack ( <i>brother of Irmgard Swanson</i> )		Deborah Wilson ( <i>niece of Carolyn Garber</i> )	
Kathryn Krubsack ( <i>niece of Irmgard Swanson</i> )		Randi Woodworth ( <i>sister of Tammy Bretscher</i> )	
		Veronica Zurowski ( <i>mother of Tom</i> )	

## **Benevolence ministries**

Lutheran Social Services of Illinois

## **In Thanksgiving for**

The marriage of **Erica Charles** and **Ricardo Garcia**

The 57<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of **David and Sharon Kluge**

Those received into membership: **Carolyn and Larry Garber; John Huber; Rita Johnson;**

**Sarah Korf and Peter Baughmann, Kaitlyn and Brandon Dill; Patrick, Dawn and Hailey Niedzielak;**

**Alex, Allison, and Avery Tan**

## **Those serving in the armed services**

Daniel Behrens (*relative of Bob and Kathryn Jandeska*)

Kevin Buss (*nephew of Christa Krout*)

Reid Beveridge (*son-in-law of the Schnacks*)

Kellyn Daly (*niece of Heidi and Chad Bohlmann*)

E. Michael Garcia Goetting (*son of Mary Goetting*)

Matthew Garmatz (*grandson of Margaret Garmatz*)

Bradley Larson (*cousin of Rhea Sprecher*)

Sonny Putman (*nephew of Susan Franzone*)

Rusty Robb (*grandnephew of Margaret Kruse/Roberta Gillespie*)

Matthew Shinkwin (*friend of Eunice Spurgat*)

Christopher W. Sylvester (*grandson of Janet Sylvester*)

## **Those in the foreign service**

Julie Kmet (*friend of Ed and Susan Schumacher*)

## **Those studying abroad**

Colleen Lattyak (*Germany*)

Drew Krueger (*England*)

## **Those who are homebound**

Christopher Davis

Joanne Nelson

Gloria Hillert

Barbara Rinnan

Carolyn Martin

Kathleen Wrobel

## **Those who need encouragement**

Bruce Burnside (*friend of Bob and Margaret Burke*) in Oakhill Correctional Center

Cheryl Luchetta (*friend of Joan Koerber*) in Logan Correctional Center



# THIS WEEK AT GRACE

## TODAY, AUGUST 22

Library Open..... 8:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
Worship Services – Holy Communion..... 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

## MONDAY, AUGUST 23

Dads of Grace (offsite) ..... 7:30 p.m.

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 24

Board of Spiritual Life (Conference room)..... 7:30 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25

Property Committee Meeting (Conference room)..... 7:00 p.m.

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 26

Young Adult Theology on Tap (offsite) ..... 8:00 p.m.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 28

Men of Grace (outside) ..... 9:00 a.m.

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We are glad that you are worshipping with us!

If you are visiting us for the first time or would like to learn more about Grace, please complete this form, detach, and place it in the offering plate.

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*Sunday Is Coming.*
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