



# GRACE

## LUTHERAN CHURCH

**The Holy Communion  
The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 5, 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."

**Flowers** are sponsored by Gick Schmidt in memory of Stephen Schmidt.

**Grace Council Statement on Racism:** 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 beginning, not the end, of the conversation. We pray for the Holy Spirit to guide us, and for the courage to follow.

## As We Gather

Did Jesus just call that woman's daughter a dog? This moment in the story is disturbing. While commentators have long sought to soften Jesus' remarks (maybe he's referring to little puppies; little puppies are cute and lovable!), the plain sense is clear. Jesus calls this woman's daughter, who is suffering from demon possession, a dog. It was no more a compliment 2,000 years ago than it is now. This female foreigner will not be so easily dismissed, however. It seems she has a sense of just how vast is the Kingdom that Jesus has come to bring. It is a reign in which grace and healing so freely abound that the scraps from the table are enough. In Jesus' reaction, we see the eschatological erupt into the present. The child is healed. In today's healing stories, with foreigners in border lands, we see God's reclamation project grow wider. God's love and mercy are such that where once there was no place for us, now there is. And this is just the beginning of the story! By the end, the stray dogs will have taken their place by the lost sheep at the great feast of the Lamb.

*There came a man named  
Jairus, a leader of the synagogue.  
He fell at Jesus' feet and begged  
him to come to his house, for he  
had an only daughter, about  
twelve years old, who was dying.  
As he went, the crowds  
pressed in on him....  
They were all weeping and  
wailing for her; but he said,  
"Do not weep; for she is not  
dead but sleeping."  
And they laughed at him,  
knowing that she was dead.  
But he took her by the hand and  
called out, "Child, get up!"  
Her spirit returned,  
and she got up at once.*

—Luke 8:41-42, 52-55



Photo by Jonathan Hillert

# ✠ GATHERING ✠

**PRELUDE:** Aria

G. F. Handel  
arr. Charles Callahan

*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:** Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

(green) **LBW #543**



- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros-per your work and de-fend you;
- 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a-dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!  
and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.  
sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.  
All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,  
Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been  
Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do  
Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.



join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?  
if with his love he be - friend you.  
Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.  
Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, Part II, Stralsund, 1665

## 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: Glory to God in the Highest



**A** Glo-ry to God in the high- est, and peace to his peo- ple on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav- en- ly king, al- might- y God and Fa - ther:



We wor- ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo- ry.



Lord Je- sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa- ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a- way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat- ed at the right hand of the Fa- ther; re- ceive our prayer.



For you a- lone are the Ho - ly One, you a- lone are the Lord,



you a- lone are the Most High, Je- sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir- it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa- ther. A - men

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Gracious God,  
throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life.  
Open us to the power of your presence,  
and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world,  
through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord.

**C** Amen.

*We sit.*

## ✠ WORD ✠

### FIRST READING: Isaiah 35:4–7a

Say to those who are of a fearful heart,

“Be strong, do not fear!

Here is your God.

He will come with vengeance,  
with terrible recompense.

He will come and save you.”

<sup>5</sup>Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

<sup>6</sup>then the lame shall leap like a deer,  
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,  
and streams in the desert;

<sup>7</sup>the burning sand shall become a pool,  
and the thirsty ground springs of water.

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

ANTIPHON: I will praise the LORD as long as I live.

- L Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, | O my soul!\*  
 I will praise the Lord as long as I live;  
 I will sing praises to my God while I | have my being.
- C **Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any | child of earth,\*  
 for there is no | help in them.**
- L When they breathe their last, they re- | turn to earth,\*  
 and in that day | their thoughts perish.
- C **Happy are they who have the God of Jacob | for their help,\*  
 whose hope is in the | Lord their God;**
- L who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that | is in them;\*  
 who keeps his prom- | ise forever;
- C **who gives justice to those who | are oppressed,\*  
 and food to | those who hunger.**
- L The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes | of the blind;\*  
 the Lord lifts up those who | are bowed down;
- C **the Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares | for the stranger;\*  
 he sustains the orphan and widow,  
 but frustrates the way | of the wicked.**
- L The Lord shall | reign forever,\*  
 your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. | Hallelujah!





## SECOND READING: James 2:1–17

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? <sup>2</sup>For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, <sup>3</sup>and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, “Have a seat here, please,” while to the one who is poor you say, “Stand there,” or, “Sit at my feet,” <sup>4</sup>have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? <sup>5</sup>Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? <sup>6</sup>But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? <sup>7</sup>Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

<sup>8</sup>You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>9</sup>But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. <sup>10</sup>For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. <sup>11</sup>For the one who said, “You shall not commit adultery,” also said, “You shall not murder.” Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. <sup>12</sup>So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. <sup>13</sup>For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.

<sup>14</sup>What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? <sup>15</sup>If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, <sup>16</sup>and one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? <sup>17</sup>So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*We stand.*

**GOSPEL VERSE:** Philippians 4:4

Carl F. Schalk

**L** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**C** REFRAIN (*below*)



**L** Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.

**C** REFRAIN

**HOLY GOSPEL:** Mark 7:24–37 (*11:00 - Gospel motet by Jan Bender*)

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

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

[Jesus] set out and went away to the region of Tyre.

He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, <sup>25</sup>but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. <sup>26</sup>Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. <sup>27</sup>He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” <sup>28</sup>But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” <sup>29</sup>Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go — the demon has left your daughter.” <sup>30</sup>So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

<sup>31</sup>Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. <sup>32</sup>They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. <sup>33</sup>He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. <sup>34</sup>Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” <sup>35</sup>And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. <sup>36</sup>Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. <sup>37</sup>They were astounded beyond measure, saying, “He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*We sit.*

**CHILDREN’S SERMON**

**SERMON:** Who Let the Dogs In?

Pastor David R. Lyle  
Mark 7:24–37; Isaiah 35:4–7a



(11:00) *Stanza two is sung by the choir in a setting by Kenneth Heitbusen.*



- 1 What - ev - er God or - dains is right; his will is just and ho - ly.
- 2 What - ev - er God or - dains is right, and he will not de - ceive us.
- 3 What - ev - er God or - dains is right; all that he does is for us.
- 4 What - ev - er God or - dains is right; he guides our joy and sad - ness.



He holds us in his per - fect might; in him, our lives are god - ly.  
He leads us in the way of light and will not ev - er leave us.  
He heals our souls and gives us sight and puts no ill be - fore us.  
He is our life and bless - ed light; in him a - lone is glad - ness.



He is our God and all we need, the Fa - ther who pre -  
In him we rest, who makes the best of all the stum - bling  
Our God is true; he makes us new; our lives are built up -  
We see his face, the way of grace; he holds us in his



serves us still; to him we bend each heart and will.  
turns we take and loves us for his mer - cy's sake.  
on his rock, our cor - ner - stone and build - ing block.  
might - y arm and keeps us safe from ev - 'ry harm.

Text: Samuel Rodigast, 1649–1708; tr. Gracia Grindal, b. 1943, alt.  
Music: WAS GOTT TUT, attr. Severus Gastorius, c. 1675

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## 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:** Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Charles Callahan

*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.*

*We stand and sing the Offertory Hymn.*

**OFFERTORY HYMN:** Now the Silence

(green) **LBW #205**



Now the si - lence Now the peace Now the emp - ty hands up - lift - ed



Now the kneel - ing Now the plea Now the Fa - ther's arms in wel - come



Now the hear - ing Now the pow'r Now the ves - sel brimmed for pour - ing



Now the bod - y Now the blood Now the joy - ful cel - e - bra - tion



Now the wed - ding Now the songs Now the heart for - giv - en leap - ing



Now the Spir - it's vis - i - ta - tion Now the Son's e - piph - a - ny



Now the Fa - ther's bless - ing Now Now Now

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, 1919–2008

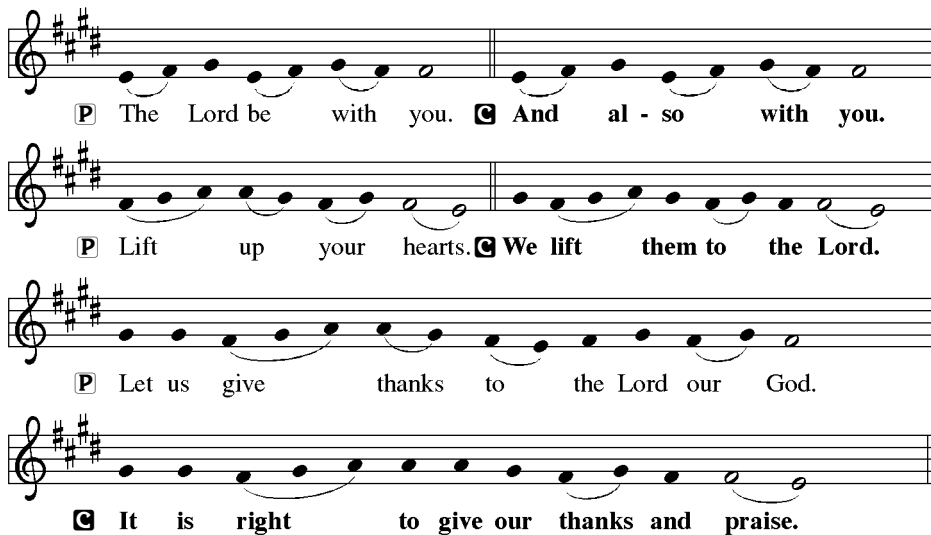
Music: NOW, Carl F. Schalk, 1929–2021

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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



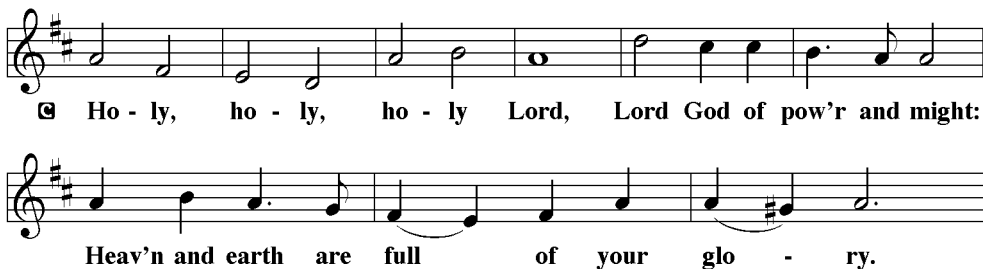
**P** The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.

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

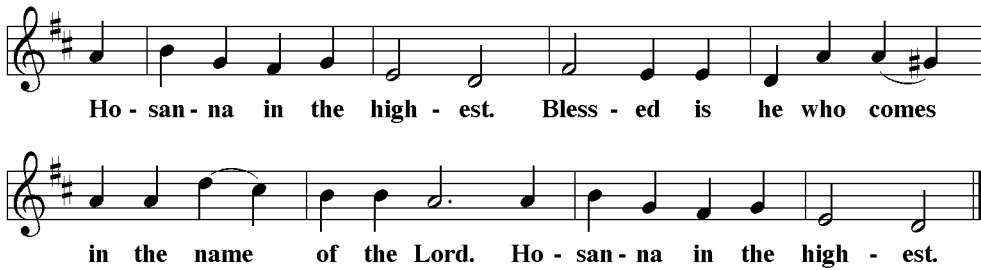
**C** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

- P** It is indeed 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:



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



- P** You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God;  
you are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.  
You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,  
that whoever believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.  
Having come into the world, he fulfilled for us your holy will  
and accomplished our salvation.
- 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 salutary command,  
his life-giving Passion and death,  
his glorious resurrection and ascension, and his promise to come again,  
we give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, not as we ought, but as we are able;  
and we implore you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving,  
and, with your Word and Holy Spirit, to bless us, your servants,  
and these your own gifts of bread and wine;  
that we and all who share in the body and blood of your Son  
may be filled with heavenly peace and joy,  
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be sanctified in soul and body,  
and have our portion with all your saints.
- All honor and glory are yours, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
in your holy Church, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**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



**C** 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, 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

(11:00) **ANTHEM:** O Taste and See

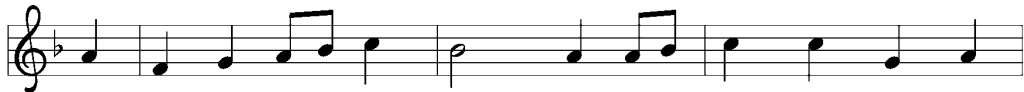
Ralph Vaughan Williams

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blest is the one that trusteth in him.

Psalm 34:8

**HYMN:** O Bread of Life from Heaven

(green) **LBW #222**



1 O bread of life from heav - en, O food to pil - grims  
2 O fount of grace re - deem - ing, O riv - er ev - er  
3 We love you, Je - sus, ten - der, in all your hid - den



giv - en, O man - na from a - bove: feed  
stream - ing from Je - sus' wound - ed side: come  
splen - dor with - in these means of grace. Oh,



with the bless - ed sweet - ness of your di - vine com -  
now, your love be - stow - ing on thirst - ing souls, and  
let the veil be riv - en, and our clear eye in



plete - ness the souls that want and need your love.  
flow - ing till all are ful - ly sat - is - fied.  
heav - en be - hold your glo - ry face to face.

*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.

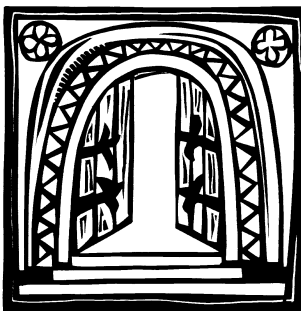
**C** **Amen.**

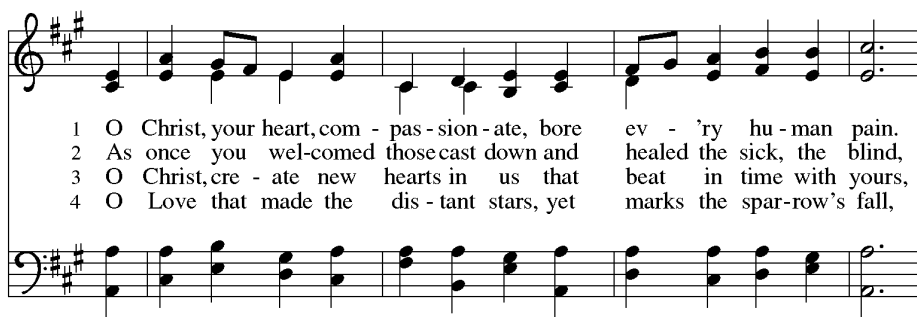
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### **BENEDICTION**

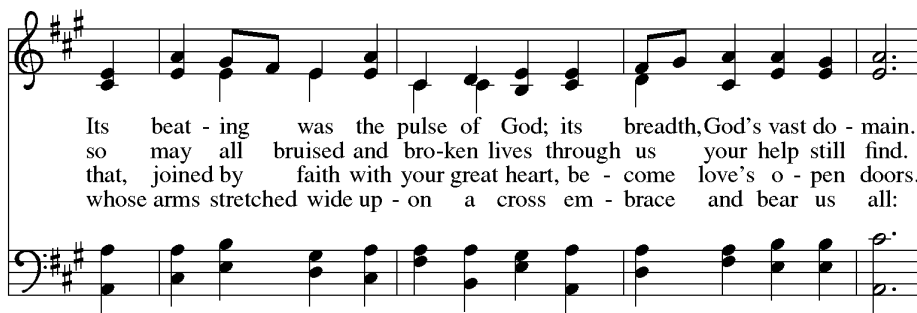
**P** Almighty God: Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

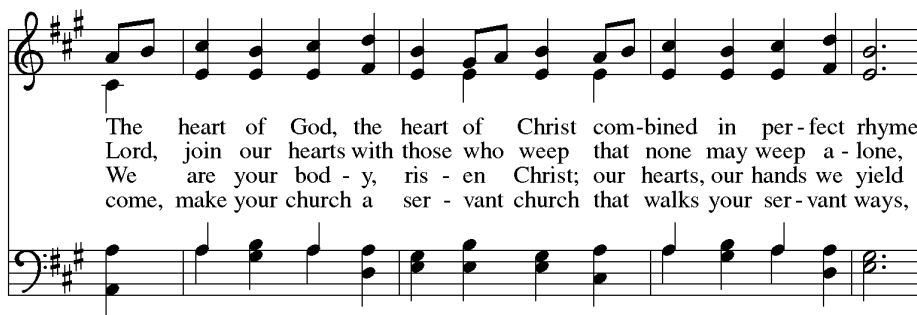




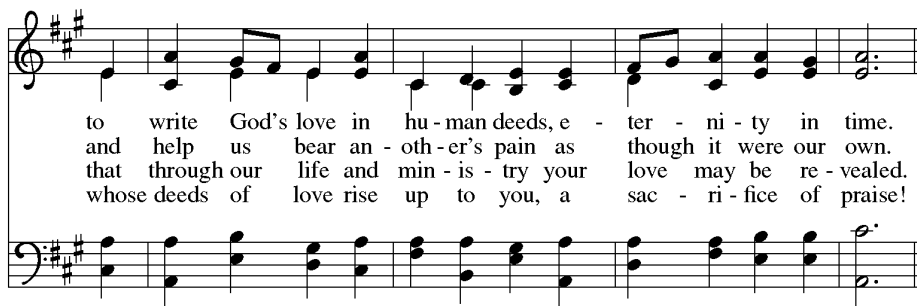
1 O Christ, your heart, com - pas - sion - ate, bore ev - 'ry hu - man pain.  
 2 As once you wel - comed those cast down and healed the sick, the blind,  
 3 O Christ, cre - ate new hearts in us that beat in time with yours,  
 4 O Love that made the dis - tant stars, yet marks the spar-row's fall,



Its beat - ing was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's vast do - main.  
 so may all bruised and bro - ken lives through us your help still find.  
 that, joined by faith with your great heart, be - come love's o - pen doors.  
 whose arms stretched wide up - on a cross em - brace and bear us all:



The heart of God, the heart of Christ com - bined in per - fect rhyme  
 Lord, join our hearts with those who weep that none may weep a - lone,  
 We are your bod - y, ris - en Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield  
 come, make your church a ser - vant church that walks your ser - vant ways,



to write God's love in hu - man deeds, e - ter - ni - ty in time.  
 and help us bear an - oth - er's pain as though it were our own.  
 that through our life and min - is - try your love may be re - vealed.  
 whose deeds of love rise up to you, a sac - ri - fice of praise!

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., b. 1923

Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

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## DISMISSAL

☞ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☞ Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate

Michael D. Costello

## LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Troy E. Medlin, presiding minister

The Rev. David R. Lyle, preaching minister

Julie Hinz, assisting minister

The Rev. Michael D. Costello, cantor

Grace Parish Choir, choir

Natalie Johnson, oboist

(8:30) Kathryn Jandeska, lector

(11:00) Al Swanson, lector

(8:30) Paul and John Lochner, altar guild

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

(8:30) Eunice Eifert, videographer

(8:30) Al Swanson, sound board operator

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# LET US PRAY. . .

## Those who are sick and recovering from illness

Diane Amati  
Annalise Balock  
Cathy Barker  
Jill Baumgaertner  
Ed Borg  
Ann Bresnen  
Larry Caponigri  
Rosemary Cheatem  
Louis Elia  
David Gruendler  
Don Heimburger  
Patricia Herendeen

Bob Jandeska  
Amy Juel  
Phyllis Kersten  
Jerry Koenig  
Karen Lemke  
Carolyn Martin  
Karen McMahon  
Jennifer Murtoff  
Pat Scala  
Jim Scherer  
Rich and Bonnie Stasack  
Cameron Valencia

Felipe Altamirano (*friend of Cathy and Paul Schnittker*)  
Pat B. (*friend of Pat Anderson*)  
Javed Bachew (*relative of Susan Franzone*)  
Greg Ball (*friend of Irmgard Swanson*)  
Vera Leora Barnett (*friend of Paul Eichwedel*)  
Shari Barnich (*friend of Randy Schnack*)  
Sophie Bartell (*granddaughter of Marvin and Judy Bartell*)  
James Beglin (*cousin of Cathy Schnittker*)  
Frances Benson (*sister-in-law of Eunice Spurgat*)  
Karen Berglund (*friend of Carol Stanger*)  
Anne and Wayne Boosey (*cousins of Ann Mason*)  
Florence Breed (*cousin of Irmgard Swanson*)  
Susan Cahill (*cousin of Randy Schnack*)  
Jamie Carpenter (*cousin of Jay and Scott Christopher*)  
James Cordes (*brother of Bruce Cordes*)  
Stella Dillberg (*mother of Gretchen Weaver; grandmother of Grace School student Julia Weaver*)  
Patti and Neal Enslin (*friends of Marilyn Heppner*)  
Seth Flanders (*friend of Cathy and Paul Schnittker*)  
James Flutch (*nephew of Valerie Spiller*)  
**Nathan Forsyth** (*friend of Paul Nelson*)  
Benjamin Galiher (*nephew of Paul May*)  
Chandramma Gantepalli (*mother of Hena Gantepalli*)  
Luke Gawencka (*friend of Eunice Spurgat*)  
Mike Guss (*friend of Lance and Stephanie Wilkening*)  
Jerry Haase (*friend of Mary Margaret Bartley & Stewart Clarke*)  
Jill Hanssen (*niece of Ann Mason*)  
Harry Heppner (*brother of Ken Heppner*)  
Margaret Hofmaier (*mother of Barbara Hofmaier*)  
Alice Hollis (*friend of Marge Sanger*)  
John Hunt (*friend of Ken and Marilyn Heppner*)  
Doug Kelner (*friend of Irmgard and Al Swanson*)  
Don Kersten (*brother of Phyllis Kersten*)  
George Kozuchowski (*friend of Timothy Douma*)  
Arnold Krubsack (*brother of Irmgard Swanson*)  
Kathryn Krubsack (*niece of Irmgard Swanson*)  
Maxx Kusper (*friend of Deb Maxwell*)

**Ryan and Huxley Kutak** (*grandson and great-grandson of Galen Gockel*)  
Beth Luebbe and family (*sister of Jenny Luebbe*)  
Joyce and John Lunde (*friends of Susan Messerli*)  
Esther Martz (*friend of Susie Calhoun*)  
Anne Matthys (*mother of Susan Curran*)  
Leone, Gracie, and Brian Maxwell (*cousins of Tom and Deb Maxwell*)  
John Mochlenkamp (*brother of Marilyn Moeblenkamp*)  
Carole Nelson (*mother of Michael Nelson*)  
Julie Novak (*daughter of Eunice Spurgat*)  
Elaine Pierce (*friend of Al and Irmgard Swanson*)  
Jacob Pletan (*great-nephew of Ruth Rehwaldt & Gick Schmidt*)  
Sarah Ponder (*friend of Hans and Donna Dumpys*)  
James Powers (*friend of Al Swanson*)  
Susan Prather (*cousin of Adrienne and Ronald Rott*)  
Mark Redheffer (*son of Virginia Walker*)  
Florence Saeger (*friend of Karl and Ruth Reko*)  
Esther Samuelson-Roberts (*granddaughter of Harriet and John Roberts*)  
Jennifer Sandahl (*friend of Jennifer Murtoff*)  
Mary Lu Shipstad (*friend of Marilyn Heppner*)  
Huxley Shoup and family (*friends of Marilyn and Ken Heppner*)  
Harrison and Wyatt Simpson (*grandsons of Carrie and David Simpson*)  
Nancy Stelling (*friend of Pastor Phyllis Kersten*)  
Lee Stephens (*brother of Tony*)  
Jennifer Sylvester (*daughter of Janet Sylvester*)  
Martin A. Thieme (*brother of Susan Franzone*)  
Ilene Thompson (*sister of Marilyn Heppner*)  
Jan Thomson (*sister-in-law of Christine Phillips*)  
Mary Lou and Ron Wagoner (*sister and brother-in-law of Stan Reddel*)  
Verna Walsh (*aunt of Dan and Deanna Marotz*)  
Bob Weaver (*husband of Gretchen*)  
Daniel Wenzel (*friend of Pat Anderson*)  
Lucy White (*friend of Mary Beth Logas*)  
Deborah Wilson (*niece of Carolyn Garber*)  
Randi Woodworth (*sister of Tammy Bretscher*)  
Veronica Zurowski (*mother of Tom*)

## **Benevolence ministries**

Norwood Senior Care

## **For those who mourn**

**Ronald Riley** (*friend of Al Swanson*)

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

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

Joan Koerber

Kathleen Wrobel

Carolyn Martin

## **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, SEPTEMBER 5

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

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Labor Day – Building Closed

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Bell Choir Rehearsal ..... 6:30 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Cornerstones – Fellowship and Bible Study..... 9:30 a.m.  
Parish Choir Rehearsal..... 7:30 p.m.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Overeaters Anonymous (Library media center)..... 9:00 a.m.

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