



# GRACE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

**The Holy Communion  
Reformation Sunday  
October 31, 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 both the 8:30 and 11:00 worship services 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:** 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

The nations rage and the kingdoms shake. *Be still, then, and know that I am God.* The covenant breaks through our hardness of hearts. *I will remember your sin no more.* Our mouths move, boasting of ourselves and seeking justification. *Be silent, for you have all fallen short.* We have never been slaves to anyone! *You are slaves to sin, but I will set you free.*

On this Reformation Sunday, the readings give voice to the storms that threaten, within and without. We cannot save ourselves; not from the powers around us or the evil inside us. But God is with us. Christ comes to us, this Son who dies to set us free. So stop. Be still. Silent. We have no words that will suffice. Instead we hear the new Word that gives life. Put to death with Christ, we rise to the freedom of new life, unbounded by death and threatened no more. We are safe in the refuge, the fortress, that is nothing less than the presence of God Most High.

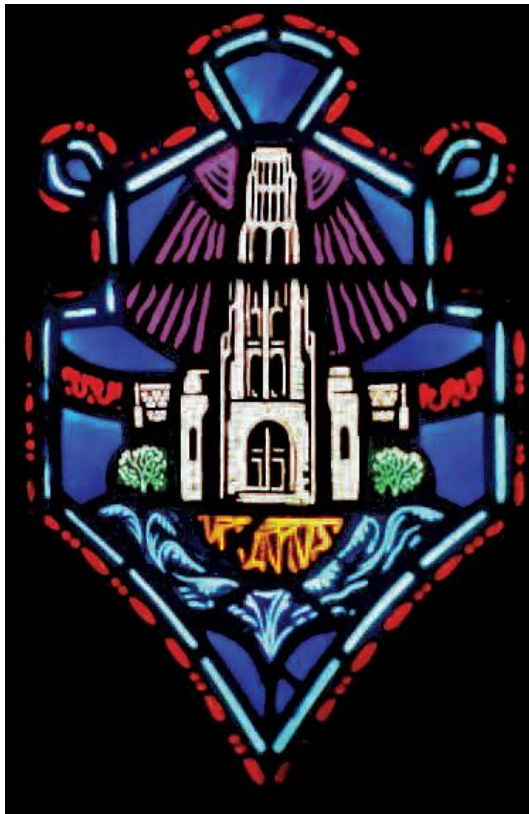


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# ✠ GATHERING ✠

**PRELUDE:** Selections from Partita on EIN FESTE BURG

Michael D. Costello

*We stand and face the cross in procession.*

**ENTRANCE HYMN:** A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Concertato by Paul Bunjes

1 A might - y for - tress is our God,  
 2 No strength of ours can match his might!  
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land  
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide,  
 a sword and shield vic - to - rious;  
 We would be lost, re - ject - ed.  
 all threat - 'ning to de - vour us,  
 no thanks to foes, who fear it;  
 he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod  
 But now a cham - pion comes to fight,  
 we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand;  
 for God him - self fights by our side  
 and wins sal - va - tion glo - rious.  
 whom God him - self e - lect - ed.  
 they can - not o - ver - pow'r us.  
 with weap - ons of the Spir - it.  
 The old e - vil foe, sworn to work us woe,  
 Ask who this may be: Lord of hosts is he!  
 This world's prince may rage, in fierce war en - gage.  
 If they take our house, goods, fame, child, or spouse,

with dread craft and might, he arms him - self to fight.  
 Je - sus Christ, our Lord, God's on - ly Son, a - dored.  
 He is doomed to fail; God's judg - ment must pre - vail!  
 wrench our life a - way, they can - not win the day.

On earth he has no e - qual.  
 He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
 One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
 The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, 1978  
 Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther, 1483–1546

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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.

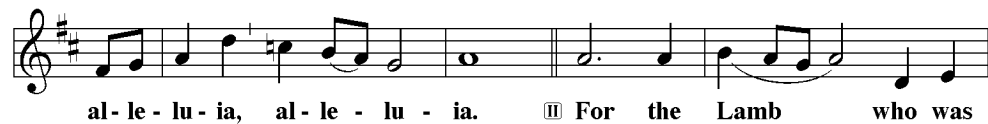
## HYMN OF PRAISE: Worthy Is Christ

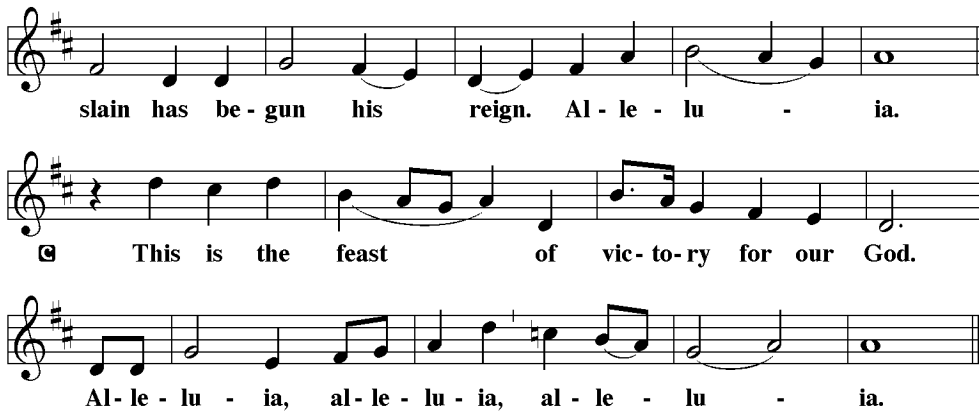
Richard Hillert

*Women sing parts marked I. Men sing parts marked II.*

*All sing parts marked C.*

**C** This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,  
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. **I** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was  
 slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.





### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Gracious Father, we pray for your holy catholic church.

Fill it with all truth and peace.

Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it;

where in anything it is amiss, reform it; where it is right, strengthen it;

where it is in need, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it;

for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*We sit.*

(8:30) **ANTHEM:** A Jubilant Song

Mary Lynn Lightfoot

Cantate Domino canticum novum.

Sing to the Lord a new jubilant song!

Cantate Domino canticum novum omnis terra.

Sing to the Lord all the earth!

Let the sea roar and the floods clap their hands!

Let the hills sing together for joy!

Let the heavens and the earth all rejoice,

for the Lord is greatly to be praised!

Proclaim God's salvation! Declare God's great glory!

Lift up a jubilant song and make joyful noise!

# ✠ WORD ✠

## FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31–34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt — a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

℣ The Word of the Lord.

☞ Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 46

Setting by Mark Mummert

*The Antiphon is sung first by the choir, then by all each time thereafter.*

☞ The LORD of hosts is with us; the

God of Ja - cob is our strong - hold.

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(8:30) *We sing the verses of the Psalm in alternation with the choir and join in the antiphon as indicated.*

(11:00) *The choir sings the verses of the Psalm; we join in the antiphon as indicated.*

℣ God is our ref- | uge and strength,  
a very present | help in trouble.

☞ Therefore we will not fear, though the | earth be moved,  
and though the mountains shake in the depths | of the sea;

℣ though its waters | rage and foam,  
and though the mountains tremble | with its tumult.

☞ ANTIPHON

℣ There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- | y of God,  
the holy habitation of | the Most High.

☞ God is in the midst of the city; it shall | not be shaken;  
God shall help it at the | break of day.

℣ The nations rage, and the | kingdoms shake;  
God speaks, and the earth | melts away.

☞ ANTIPHON



- L** Come now, regard the works | of the LORD,  
what desolations God has brought up- | on the earth;
- C** **behold the one who makes war to cease in | all the world;  
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the | shields with fire.**
- L** “Be still, then, and know that | I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted | in the earth.”
- C** **ANTIPHON**



## **SECOND READING: Romans 3:19–28**

Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup>But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, <sup>23</sup>since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; <sup>24</sup>they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; <sup>26</sup>it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*We stand and face the procession for the Gospel Reading.*

**GOSPEL VERSE: John 8:31–32**

Michael D. Costello

Alleluia. If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples,  
and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free. Alleluia.

## HOLY GOSPEL: John 8:31–36

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



Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” <sup>33</sup>They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free?’”

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.



*We face the procession as it returns to the chancel.*

*We sit.*

## CHILDREN’S SERMON

**SERMON:** Be Still! The Son Speaks

Pastor David R. Lyle  
John 8:31-36; Psalm 46; Romans 3:19-28



*We stand.*

# HYMN OF THE DAY: Thy Strong Word

(green) LBW #233

(11:00) *The choir will sing stanzas 2 and 4 in settings by Carl Schalk.*



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; at thy  
2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, dark as  
3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; bright with  
4 From the cross thy wis - dom shin - ing break - eth



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed light we  
night and deep as death, broke the light of thy sal -  
thine own ho - li - ness, glo - rious now, we press toward  
forth in con - qu'ring might; from the cross for - ev - er



thank thee, while thine or - dered sea - sons run.  
va - tion, breathed thine own life - breath - ing breath.  
glo - ry, and our lives our hopes con - fess.  
beam - eth all thy bright re - deem - ing light.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise to thee who light dost send!



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

5 Give us lips to sing thy glory,  
tongues thy mercy to proclaim,  
throats that shout the hope that fills us,  
mouths to speak thy holy name.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
May the light which thou dost send  
fill our songs with alleluias,  
alleluias without end!

6 God the Father, light-creator,  
to thee laud and honor be.  
To thee, Light of Light begotten,  
praise be sung eternally.  
Holy Spirit, light-revealer,  
glory, glory be to thee.  
Mortals, angels, now and ever  
praise the holy Trinity!

## NICENE CREED

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

**C** We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. 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

☞ The peace of the Lord be with you always.

☞ And also with you.

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

*We sit.*

**OFFERING/VOLUNTARY:** A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Helmut Walcha

*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 as the gifts are presented.*

**OFFERTORY VERSE:** Romans 12:1–2

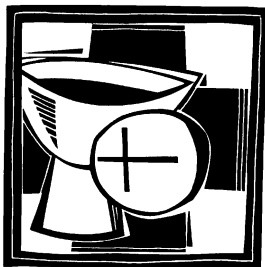
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I appeal to you by the mercies of God,  
to present your bodies as a living sacrifice,  
holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.  
Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your minds,  
that you may prove what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

☞ Let us pray. Merciful Father,

☞ 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, God of pow'r and might:



Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



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.

☐ Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:  
Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.  
You have filled all creation with light and life;  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Through Abraham and Sarah you promised to bless all nations.  
You rescued Israel, your chosen people.  
Through the prophets you renewed your promise;  
and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son,  
who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom  
and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

☑ **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

☐ Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup  
we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

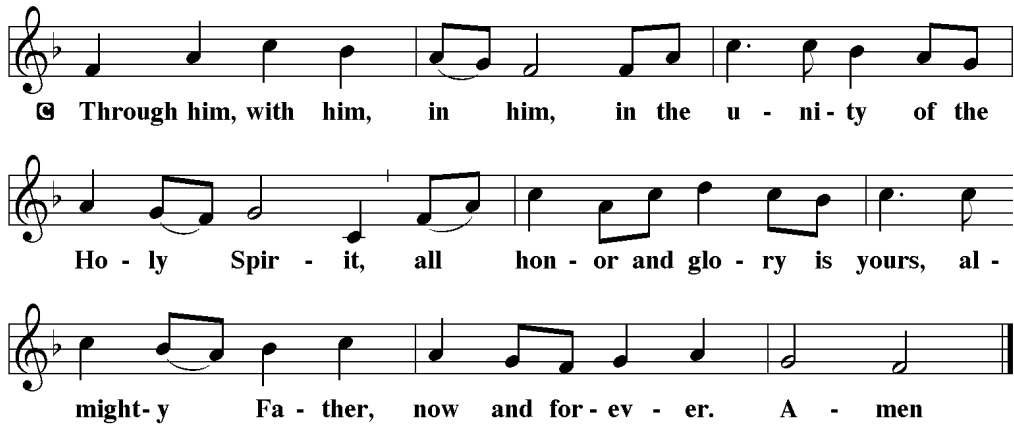
And, believing the witness of his resurrection,  
we await his coming in power  
to share with us the great and promised feast.

☑ **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

☐ Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit,  
the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection,  
that we who receive the Lord's body and blood  
may live to the praise of your glory  
and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

☑ **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

- P** Join our prayers with those of your servants  
of every time and every place,  
and unite them with the ceaseless petitions  
of our great high priest  
until he comes as victorious Lord of all.



**C** Through him, with him, in him, in the u - ni - ty of the  
Ho - ly Spir - it, all hon - or and glo - ry is yours, al -  
might- y Fa - ther, now and for - ev - er. A - men

- 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.

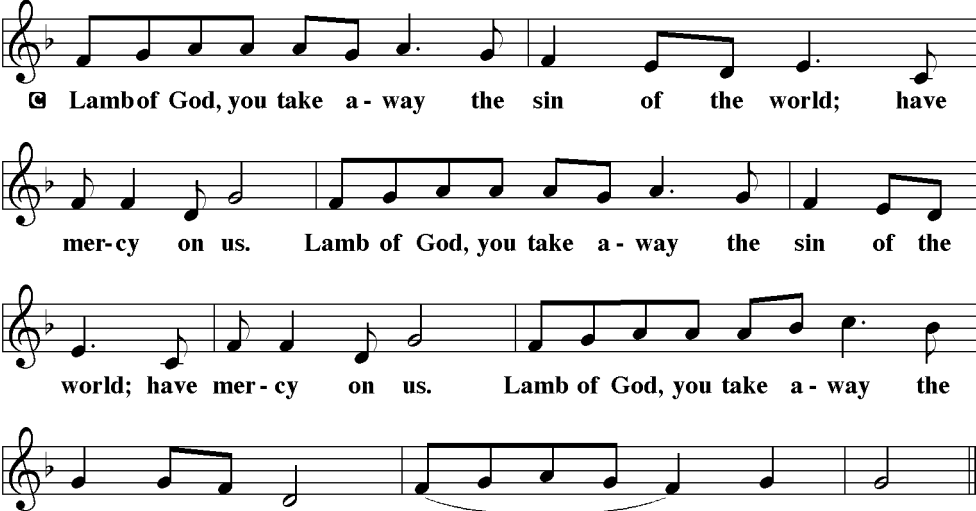
- C** Thanks be to God.

- 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

(8:30) **ANTHEM:** For the Beauty of the Earth

John Rutter

For the beauty of the earth,  
For the beauty of the skies,  
For the love which from our birth  
Over and around us lies:  
Lord of all, to thee we raise  
This our joyful hymn of praise.

For the beauty of each hour  
Of the day and of the night,  
Hill and vale and tree and flower  
Sun and moon and stars of light:  
Lord of all, to thee we raise  
This our joyful hymn of praise.

For the joy of human love  
Brother, sister, parent, child,  
Friends on earth and friends above  
For all gentle thoughts and mild:  
Lord of all, to thee we raise  
This our joyful hymn of praise.

For each perfect gift of thine  
Unto us so freely given,  
Graces human and divine,  
Flowers of earth and buds of heaven:  
Lord of all, to thee we raise  
This our joyful hymn of praise.

F. S. Pierpoint, 1835–1917, alt.

(11:00) **ANTHEM:** Dear Christians, One and All

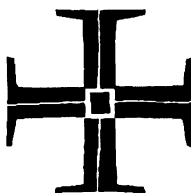
Benedictus Ducis

Dear Christians, one and all, rejoice,  
With exultation springing,  
And with united heart and voice  
And holy rapture singing,  
Proclaim the wonders God has done,  
How his right arm the victory won.  
What price our ransom cost him!

The Lord had seen my wretched state  
Before the world's foundation,  
And, mindful of his mercies great,  
He planned for my salvation.  
He turned to me a father's heart;  
He did not choose the easy part,  
But gave his dearest treasure.

Martin Luther, 1483–1546

tr. Richard Massie, 1800–1887, alt.



# HYMN: Salvation Unto Us Has Come

(green) **LBW #297**



1 Sal - va - tion un - to us has come by God's free grace and fa - vor;  
2 Theirs was a false, mis - lead - ing dream who thought God's law was giv - en  
3 And yet the law ful - filled must be, or we were lost for - ev - er;  
4 Faith clings to Je - sus' cross a - lone and rests in him un - ceas - ing;  
5 All bless - ing, hon - or, thanks, and praise to Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it,



good works can - not a - vert our doom, they help and save us  
that sin - ners might them - selves re - deem and by their works gain  
there - fore God sent his Son that he might us from death de -  
and by its fruits true faith is known, with love and hope in -  
the God who saved us by his grace; all glo - ry to his



nev - er. Faith looks to Je - sus Christ a - lone, who did for  
heav - en. The law is but a mir - ror bright to bring the  
liv - er. He all the law for us ful - filled, and thus his  
creas - ing. For faith a - lone can jus - ti - fy; works serve our  
mer - it. O tri - une God in heav'n a - bove, you have re -



all the world a - tone; he is our me - di - a - tor.  
in - bred sin to light that lurks with - in our na - ture.  
Fa - ther's an - ger stilled which o - ver us im - pend - ed.  
neigh - bor and sup - ply the proof that faith is liv - ing.  
vealed your sav - ing love; your bless - ed name we hal - low.

Text: Paul Speratus, 1484–1551; tr. *Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book*, 1912, alt.  
Music: ES IST DAS HEIL, *Etlich christlich Lieder*, Wittenberg, 1524

*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.

## ✠ SENDING ✠

### BENEDICTION

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

**C** Amen.

### SENDING HYMN: The Church of Christ, in Every Age

*(green)* **LBW #433**

*(11:00) The choir will sing stanzas 2 and 4 in settings by Michael Burkhardt.*



1 The church of Christ, in ev - 'ry age be - set by  
2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims  
3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing  
4 For he a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the  
5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -



change, but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its  
of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for  
church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's  
fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to  
be - dience to our Lord; to care for all, with -



her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.  
bread to eat, and nev - er live be - fore they die.  
sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.  
share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.  
out re - serve, and spread his lib - er - at - ing word.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: WAREHAM, William Knapp, 1698–1768

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## DISMISSAL

**A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE: Partita on EBENEZER

John A. Behnke

### VI. Fugue

## 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, organist

Christian Anderson and Candace Horton, trumpet

Tim Coffman and Brad Payne, trombone

Jon Johnson, timpani

### 8:30

Lori Martin

Paul Eichwedel and Ellie Schnack

Ryan Koehne and Lukas Cohen

Laurie Schubkegel and John Lochner

Lawrence Caponigri and Thomas Ewart

Lois Harb

Eunice Eifert and Al Swanson

Grace 5–8 Grade Choir

Johanna Johnson and Michael D. Costello

### Deacon

### Lectors

### Crucifer/Bible Bearer

### Altar Guild

### Ushers

### Gift Bearers

### Livestream Audio/Video

### Choir

### Directors

### 11:00

Susie Calhoun

Al Swanson and Mary Margaret Bartley

Vera and Audrey Chizzo

Ellie Schnack and Gerlinde VanDriesen

Gerlinde VanDriesen, John Roberts,

and Lance and Stephanie Wilkening

Kathy and Bob Hale

Parish Choir

Michael D. Costello

# LET US PRAY. . .

## Those who are sick and recovering from illness

Diane Amati	Hans Dumpys	<b>Nancy Kaufman</b>	Jennifer Murtoff
Annalise Balock	Louis Elia	Phyllis Kersten	Marnie Rourke
Cathy Barker	David Gruendler	Jerry Koenig	Pat Scala
Ed Borg	Don Heimburger	Karen Lemke	Jim Scherer
Ann Bresnen	Patricia Herendeen	Carolyn Martin	Cameron Valencia
Larry Caponigri	Bob Jandeska	Karen McMahon	Nancy Wohlford
Rosemary Cheatem	Amy Juel	Dave Moeller	

Felipe Altamirano (*friend of Cathy and Paul Schnittker*)  
 Kay Armstrong (*mother of Neal Armstrong*)  
 Pat B. (*friend of Pat Anderson*)  
 Javed Bachew (*relative of Susan Franzone*)  
 Greg Ball (*friend of Irmgard Swanson*)  
 Frances Benson (*sister-in-law of Eunice Spurgat*)  
 Karen Berglund (*friend of Carol Stanger*)  
 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*)  
 Patti and Neal Enslin (*friends of Marilyn Heppner*)  
 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*)  
**Michael Granato** (*grandson of Virginia Walker*)  
 Rick Gulik (*husband of Pat Gulik*)  
 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*)  
 June Hostetler (*aunt of Larry Garber*)  
 Judy Johnson (*Grace School alum*)  
 Ellen Kanik (*friend of Eileen Maggio*)  
 Doug Kelner (*friend of Irmgard and Al Swanson*)  
 Patrick Kennedy (*friend of Grace Church*)  
 Don Kersten (*brother of Phyllis Kersten*)  
 Arnold Krubsack (*brother of Irmgard Swanson*)  
 Kathryn Krubsack (*niece of Irmgard Swanson*)  
 Maxx Kusper (*friend of Deb Maxwell*)  
 Beth Luebbe and family (*sister of Jenny Luebbe*)  
 Ken Lukes (*friend of George and Nancy Wohlford*)

Joyce and John Lunde (*friends of Susan Messerli*)  
 Tom Maggio (*brother of Joe Maggio*)  
 Esther Martz (*friend of Susie Calhoun*)  
**Neal Mast** (*relative of Susan and David Franzone*)  
 Anne Matthys (*mother of Susan Curran*)  
 Leone, Gracie, and Brian Maxwell (*cousins of Tom and Deb Maxwell*)  
 Christopher Miller (*friend of Bob and Kathryn Jandeska*)  
**Melina Masihi** (*friend of Chrissy Nelson*)  
 Carole Nelson (*mother of Michael Nelson*)  
 Julie Novak (*daughter of Eunice Spurgat*)  
 Dolores Pelz (*cousin of Evelyn Grams*)  
 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 Sacger (*friend of Karl and Ruth Reka*)  
 Jennifer Sandahl (*friend of Jennifer Murtoff*)  
 Mary Lu Shipstad (*friend of Marilyn Heppner*)  
 Huxley Shoup and family (*friends of Marilyn and Ken Heppner*)  
 Glen Steiner (*friend of Grace*)  
 Nancy Stelling (*friend of Pastor Phyllis Kersten*)  
 Lee Stephens (*brother of Tony*)  
 Jennifer Sylvester (*daughter of Janet Sylvester*)  
 Donald Tegeler (*friend of Debbie Conley*)  
 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*)  
 Karen Wischhusen (*sister of Ann Mason*)  
 Nancy & Dick Woodka (*friends of Susan & David Franzone*)  
 Randi Woodworth (*sister of Tammy Bretscher*)  
 Veronica Zurowski (*mother of Tom*)

## **Benevolence ministries**

ELCA Metropolitan Chicago Synod

## **For those who mourn**

**Jan Loesch** (*friend of Beverly White and John Menet*)

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

Kevin Buss (*nephew of Christa Kroul*)

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**

Jayne Chilton

Carolyn Martin

Christopher Davis

Barbara Rinnan

Gloria Hillert

Kathleen Wrobel

Joan Koerber

## **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

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# THIS WEEK AT GRACE

## TODAY, OCTOBER 31

Library Open for self-service .....8:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
**Worship Services – Holy Communion.....8:30 & 11:00 a.m.**  
Confirmation (Memorial Garden) .....9:45 a.m.  
Sunday School & Pre-Confirmation (3<sup>rd</sup> floor) .....9:45 a.m.  
Teen Talk (Youth room) .....9:45 a.m.  
Bach Cantata Preview (Seminar room) ..... 3:00 p.m.  
**Bach Cantata Vespers ..... 3:45 p.m.**

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

GriefShare (Church Library) ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Endowment Committee ..... 7:00 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

School Chapel .....8:25 a.m.  
Cornerstones Fellowship and Bible Study .....9:30 a.m.  
Parish Choir Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall) ..... 7:30 p.m.

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Moms of Littles (Youth room) ..... 6:30 p.m.  
Social Ministry Committee (Conference room) ..... 7:30 p.m.

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Voice of Care Benefit Concert..... 7:00 p.m.

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Overeaters Anonymous (virtual) .....9:00 a.m.

David R. Lyle, Senior Pastor  
Troy E. Medlin, Associate Pastor  
F. Dean Lueking, Pastor Emeritus  
Michael D. Costello, Cantor  
Jeremy Zimmer, Assistant Cantor  
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