



GRACE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

**The Holy Communion
The Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 16, 2022
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

We always seem to be running on empty. We run short of time, money, energy, and so many other things. Even our celebrations are stalked by scarcity, as evidenced by the wedding at Cana in Galilee. The wine gave out before the party let out. Jesus is content to let things stand, but Mary has other ideas. Jesus has the servants fill the jars that are typically used for rite of purification. Through mechanisms unexplained, Jesus changes the water into wine; not simply wine, but good wine. But this miracle is no mere party trick, impressive or otherwise. It is a sign that points to who Jesus is and why he has come. The wedding occurs on the third day after Jesus calls Philip and Nathanael. Jesus, on another third day, after life had run out, will change everything. In his own blood he offers purification. He, in his resurrection, changes death into life. We are invited to the wedding feast of the Lamb once more today, reminded that the gifts given by God are always enough, for the God at work in Christ is always more than enough. In Christ, the mysterious mechanism of grace unfolds.

*When the wine gave out, the
mother of Jesus said to him,
"They have no wine."
And Jesus said to her,
"Woman, what concern is
that to you and to me?
My hour has not yet come."
...Jesus said to them, "Fill the
jars with water." And they filled
them up to the brim. He said to
them, "Now draw some out, and
take it to the chief steward."
So they took it....
The steward called the bride-
groom and said to him,
"Everyone serves the good wine
first, and then the inferior wine
after the guests have become
drunk. But you have kept the
good wine until now."*

—John 2:3-4, 7-8, 10



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✠ GATHERING ✠

PRELUDE: Jesus, Come! For We Invite You

Robert Lind

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 processional cross as we sing.

ENTRANCE HYMN: Jesus, Come! For We Invite You

(blue) **WOV #648**

(8:30) Stanza three is sung by the choir in a harmonization by Harold Friedell.



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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APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

☑ And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE: Glory to God in the Highest



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Lord God, source of every blessing,
you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son,
who brought gladness and salvation to his people.
Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

✝ WORD ✝

We sit.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 62:1–5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.
²The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.
³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the LORD delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
⁵For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ANTIPHON: We feast upon the abundance of your house, O Lord.

- L** Your love, O LORD, reaches | to the heavens,*
and your faithfulness | to the clouds.
- C** **Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,**
your justice like | the great deep;*
you save both humans and | beasts, O LORD.
- L** How priceless is your | love, O God!*
- Your people take refuge under the shadow | of your wings.
- C** **They feast upon the abundance | of your house;***
you give them drink from the river of | your delights.
- L** For with you is the | well of life,*
and in your light | we see light.
- C** **Continue your lovingkindness to | those who know you,***
and your favor to those who are | true of heart.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:1–11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says “Let Jesus be cursed!” and no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

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

We stand.

GOSPEL VERSE: John 2:11

John Ferguson

Choir Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

REFRAIN (*below*)



Choir Jesus revealed his glory and his disciples believed in him.

REFRAIN

HOLY GOSPEL: John 2:1–11

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

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

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” ⁴And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.” ⁵His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.” ⁶Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, “Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.” So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.” ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

We sit.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON: The Best, at Last

Pastor David R. Lyle
John 2:1–11

We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY: Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

(green) **LBW #224**

(8:30) *Stanza two is sung by the choir in a setting by Carl F. Schalk.*



- 1 Soul, a - dorn your-self with glad-ness, leave the gloom-y haunts of sad-ness,
- 2 Has - ten as a bride to meet him, ea - ger - ly and glad - ly greet him.
- 3 Now in faith I hum-bly pon - der o - ver this sur-pass-ing won - der
- 4 Je - sus, source of last-ing plea-sure, tru - est friend, and dear-est trea-sure,



come in - to the day-light's splen-dor, there with joy your prais-es ren - der.
There he stands al-read - y knock-ing; quick - ly, now, your gate un-lock-ing,
that the bread of life is bound-less though the souls it feeds are count-less;
peace be-yond all un - der - stand-ing, joy in - to all life ex-pand-ing;



Bless the one whose grace un-bound-ed this a - maz - ing ban-quet found-ed;
o - pen wide the fast-closed por - tal, say - ing to the Lord im-mor - tal:
with the choic-est wine of heav-en Christ's own blood to us is giv - en.
hum-bly now, I bow be - fore you, love in - car - nate, I a - dore you;



he, though heav'n-ly, high, and ho - ly, deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.
"Come, and leave your loved one nev - er; dwell with-in my heart for - ev - er."
Oh, most glo-rious con - so-la - tion, pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion.
wor - thi - ly let me re-ceive you, and, so fa-vored, nev - er leave you.

Text: Johann Franck, 1618–1677; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, 1978

Music: SCHMÜCKE DICH, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

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: Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

Johannes Brahms

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

Visit GraceRiverForest.org to give online.

We stand and sing as the gifts are presented.

OFFERTORY VERSE: John 2:11, 10

Michael D. Costello

Jesus revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

Everyone serves the good wine first, but you have kept the good wine until now.

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.

- ¶ 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. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

♩ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'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.



P Blessed are you, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all.
By your powerful word you created all things.
Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.
Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son.
He is your Light, shining in our darkness
and revealing to us your mercy and might.
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 preaching and healing,
his dying and rising,
and his promise to come again,
we await that day when all the universe
will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.
By your Spirit bless us and this meal,
that, refreshed with this heavenly food,
we may be light for the world,
revealing the brilliance of your Son.
Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church, both now and forever.
C Amen.

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

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.

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: O Radiant Christ, Incarnate Word

Robert Buckley Farlee

O radiant Christ, incarnate Word,
Eternal love revealed in time:
Come, make your home within our hearts,
That we may dwell in light sublime.

Our bartered, busy lives burn dim,
Too tired to care, too numb to feel.
Come, shine upon our shadowed world;
Your radiance bathes with power to heal.

Your glory shone at Jordan's stream,
The font where we were born anew.
Attune your church to know you near;
Illumine all we say and do.

O Light of Nations, fill the earth;
Our faith and hope and love renew.
Come, lead the peoples to your peace,
As stars once led the way to you.

Ruth Duck



- 1 What feast of love is of-fered here, what ban-quet come from heav-en?
- 2 What light of truth is of-fered here, what cov-e-nant from heav-en?
- 3 What wine of love is of-fered here, what crim-son drink from heav-en?



What food of ev-er-last-ing life, what gra-cious gift is giv-en?
 What hope of ev-er-last-ing life, what won-drous word is giv-en?
 What stream of ev-er-last-ing life, what pre-cious blood is giv-en?



This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heav-en.
 This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heav-en.
 This, this is Christ the king, the sweet-est wine of heav-en.



Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man-na giv-en!
 Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is giv-en!
 Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is giv-en!

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: GREENSLEEVES, English ballad, 16th cent.

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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 Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart,
 and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ.
 Now send us forth to be your people in the world,
 and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore;
 through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

✠ SENDING ✠

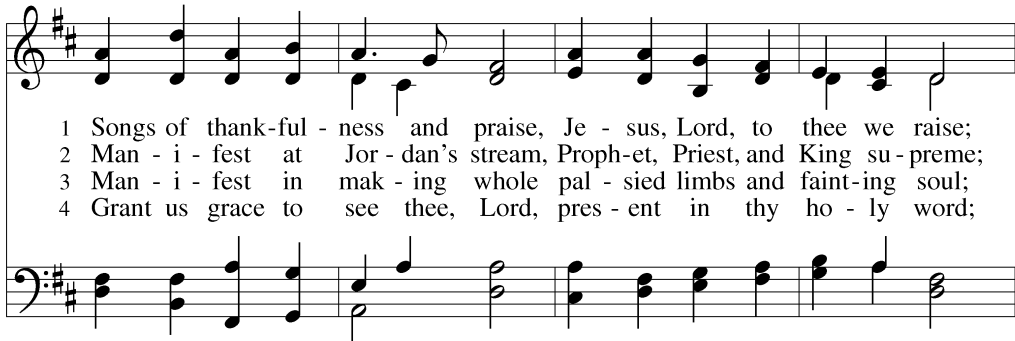
BENEDICTION

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

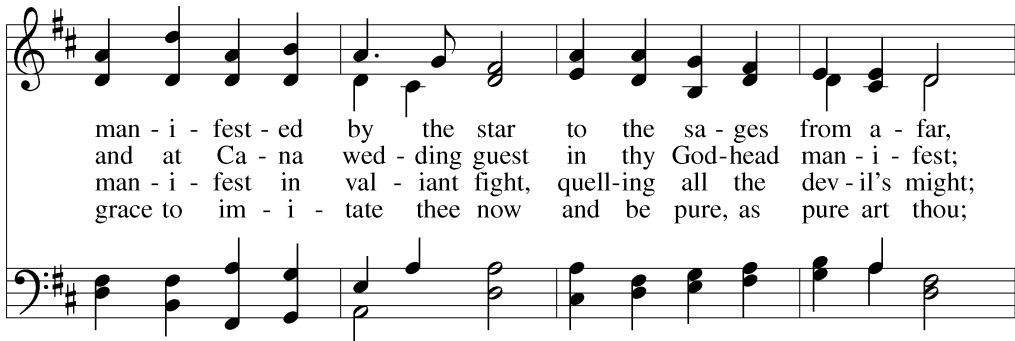
☑ Amen.

SENDING HYMN: Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

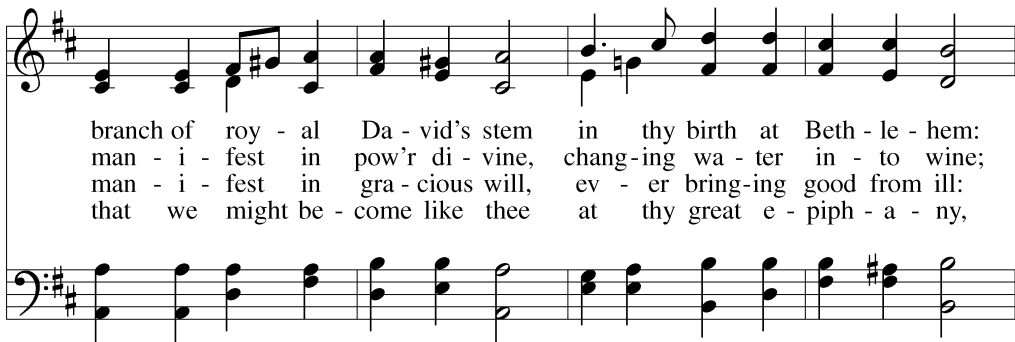
(green) LBW #90



1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to thee we raise;
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su - preme;
 3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint-ing soul;
 4 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord, pres - ent in thy ho - ly word;



man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far,
 and at Ca - na wed - ding guest in thy God-head man - i - fest;
 man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell-ing all the dev - il's might;
 grace to im - i - tate thee now and be pure, as pure art thou;



branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem:
 man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, chang-ing wa - ter in - to wine;
 man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring-ing good from ill:
 that we might be - come like thee at thy great e - piph - a - ny,

an - thems be to thee ad - dressed,
 an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in flesh made man - i - fest.
 an - thems be to thee ad - dressed,
 and may praise thee, ev - er blest,

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885
 Music: SALZBURG, Jakob Hintze, 1622–1702, adapt.

DISMISSAL

- ☐ **A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- ☒ **C** Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

Phil Lehenbauer

LET US PRAY. . .

Those who are sick and recovering from illness

Betty Albain	Louis Elia	Amy Juel	Jennifer Murtoff
Diane Amati	Hena Gantepalli	Phyllis Kersten	Marnie Rourke
Annalise Balock	Erica Charles Garcia	Karla Koehne	Pat Scala
Cathy Barker	Sandy Grams	Scott Krueger	Jim Scherer
Len Berghaus	David Gruendler	Karen Lemke	Cameron Valencia
Larry Caponigri	Don Heimburger	Carolyn Martin	
Rosemary Cheatem	Patricia Herendeen	Karen McMahon	
Hans Dumpys	Virginia Hillert	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*)

Jamie Carpenter (*cousin of Jay and Scott Christopher*)

Elena Davis (*friend of Sue and Pat Allen*)

Stella Dillberg (*mother of Gretchen Weaver*)

Clara Dorsey (*mother of Jo-Ellyn Dorsey*)

Patti and Neal Enslin (*friends of Marilyn Heppner*)

James Flutch (*nephew of Valerie Spiller*)

Benjamin Galiher (*nephew of Paul May*)

Chandramma Gantepalli (*mother of Hena Gantepalli*)

Luke Gawencka (*friend of Eunice Spurgat*)

Michael Granato (*grandson of Virginia Walker*)

Mike Guss (*friend of Lance and Stephanie Wilkening*)

Jerry Haase (*friend of Mary Margaret Bartley & Stewart Clarke*)

Jill Hanssen (*niece of Ann Mason*)

Carol Hartung (*mother of Justin Hartung*)

Allison Heppner (*daughter-in-law of Kenneth and Marilyn Heppner*)

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*)

Derek Kaufman (*son of Nancy Kaufman*)

Doug Kelner (*friend of Irmgard and Al Swanson*)

Patrick Kennedy (*friend of Grace Church*)

David Kopp (*friend of Bob and Bonnie Shaner*)

Arnold Krubsack (*brother of Irmgard Swanson*)

Kathryn Krubsack (*niece of Irmgard Swanson*)

Maxx Kuser (*friend of Deb Maxwell*)

Beth Luebke and family (*sister of Jenny Luebke*)

Ken Lukes (*friend of George and Nancy Wohlford*)

Joyce and John Lunde (*friends of Susan Messerli*)

Ellen MacGregor (*friend of Chrissy Nelson*)

Jane Martin (*mother of Justin Martin*)

Esther Martz (*friend of Susie Calhoun*)

Neal Mast (*relative of Susan and David Franzone*)

Pam Mattox (*friend of many at Grace*)

Leone, Gracie, and Brian Maxwell (*cousins of Tom and Deb Maxwell*)

Duncan McEachern (*brother-in-law of John Reynolds*)

Dolores Pelz (*cousin of Evelyn Grams*)

Paul Peters (*son-in-law of Robert and Billie Navarro*)

Elaine Pierce (*friend of Al and Irmgard Swanson*)

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*)

Paula Rosenberger (*friend of Janet Sylvester*)

Florence Saeger (*friend of Karl and Ruth Reko*)

Mary Lu Shipstad (*friend of Marilyn Heppner*)

Huxley Shoup and family (*friends of Marilyn and Ken Heppner*)

Nancy Stelling (*friend of Pastor Phyllis Kersten*)

Lee Stephens (*brother of Tony*)

Pastor Steve Swanson (*friend of Bob and Bonnie Shaner*)

Jennifer Sylvester (*daughter of Janet Sylvester*)

Donald Tegeler (*friend of Debbie Conley*)

Russ Tellio (*friend of Susan and David Franzone*)

Martin A. Thieme (*brother of Susan Franzone*)

Ilene Thompson (*sister of Marilyn Heppner*)

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*)

Nola Williams (*Grace student*)

Michael Winters (*friend of Dick and Linda Martens*)

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

Hope for Grieving Children - Africa

In Thanksgiving For

The baptism of **Colin James Melville-Gray** (*son of Ryan and Maggie Melville-Gray*)

The birth of **Oliver Randall Wood** (*son born to Josh and Julia Wood*)

For those who mourn

Evie Tiemann

James Pawlowski (*brother-in-law of Jennifer Staples*)

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*)

Matthew Grosz (*nephew of Bob and Bonnie Shaner*)

Zachery Grosz (*great-nephew of Bob and Bonnie Shaner*)

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*)

Benjamin Ho (*Mexico*)

Those who are homebound

Jayne Chilton

Christopher Davis

Gloria Hillert

Joan Koerber

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

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Troy E. Medlin, presiding minister
The Rev. David R. Lyle, preaching minister
Gary Howell, assisting minister
The Rev. Michael D. Costello, cantor

8:30

Susie Calhoun
Ellie Schnack and Kathryn Jandeska
Nora Isenberg and Zack Morgan
John and Paul Lochner
Michael Nelson and Thomas Ewert
Susan Weber and Dick Calhoun
Andrew Costello and Al Swanson
Parish Choir

Deacon

Lectors

Crucifer/Bible Bearer

Altar Guild

Ushers

Gift Bearers

Livestream Audio/Video

Choir

11:00

Al Swanson
Eunice Eifert and Rebecca Dahlstrom

Linda and Scott Street
Dick Calhoun
Susie Calhoun

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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY, JANUARY 16

Library Open for Self-Service8:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Worship Services – Holy Communion..... 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School, Grades 1-6 (3rd floor Commons).....9:45 a.m.
Sunday School, 3–5-year-olds (Nursery)9:45 a.m.
Confirmation (Fellowship Hall)9:45 a.m.
Teen Talk (Youth Center).....9:45 a.m.
Adult Education (Seminar room)9:45 a.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 17

Martin Luther King Jr. Day – Building Closed
Stephen Ministry Training (virtual) 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18

Church Council (Virtual) 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

School Chapel – Holy Communion.....8:25 a.m.
Cornerstones – Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)9:30 a.m.
Morning Prayer..... 11:00 a.m.
Parish Choir Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall) 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

Grace Notes Mailing Crew (Church Library)9:00 a.m.
Moms of Littles (Virtual) 6:30 p.m.
Yoga (Fellowship Hall) 6:30 p.m.
Justice and Peace Committee (Virtual) 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21

Religion in Literature (Offsite)..... 8:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15

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

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