



# GRACE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

**The Holy Communion  
The Day of Pentecost  
June 5, 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.

**Altar Flowers** are given today in memory of Gloria Hillert by her family and in celebration of the Reverend Gale Schmidt's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordination into ministry by his wife, Carolyn Becker.

**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.

**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 Holy Spirit did not wait for them to be ready. The Father and the Son didn't send the Spirit to a people who were already bold, courageous, and faithful. The Spirit was poured out on the fiftieth day to the disciples who were still huddled in hiding. The Spirit-filled disciples go forth into a world even less ready to receive the gospel. Neither the disciples nor the crowds were ready. The Spirit came anyway. Today, we live in a world still marked by sin, marred by death. We are not always bold, courageous, or faithful. Still we cry out, "Come, Holy Spirit!" And still the Spirit comes. Send us we pray, Holy Spirit, into this world, to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ to all flesh, all people, in all places.



# ✠ GATHERING ✠

**PRELUDE:** *Komm Heiliger Geist, Herre Gott*, BWV 651  
(Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord)

Johann Sebastian Bach

*We stand and face the processional cross for the hymn.*

**ENTRANCE HYMN:** Creator Spirit, Heavenly Dove

Concertato by Carl F. Schalk



All	1	Cre	- a -	tor	Spir	- it,	heav'n	- ly	dove,	de	- scend
Choir	2	To	you,	the	Com	- fort	- er,	we	cry;	to	you,
All	3	In	you,	with	grac	- es	sev	- en	- fold,	we	God's
Choir	4	Your	light	to	ev	- 'ry	sense	im	- part,	and	shed



up	- on	us	from	a	- bove;	with	grac	- es	man	- i	-
the	gift	of	God	most	high,	true	fount	of	life,	the	-
al	- might	- y	hand	be	- hold;	while	you	with	tongues	of	-
your	love	in	ev	- 'ry	heart;	your	own	un	- fail	- ing	-



fold	re	- store	your	crea	- tures	as	they	were	be	- fore.
fire	of	love,	the	soul's	a	- noint	- ing	from	a	- bove.
fire	pro	- claim	to	all	the	world	his	ho	- ly	name.
might	sup	- ply	to	strength	- en	our	in	- fir	- mi	- ty.

All 5	Choir 6
Keep far from us our cruel foe,	Oh, make to us the Father known;
and peace from your own hand bestow;	teach us the eternal Son to own;
upheld by you, our strength and guide,	and you, whose name we ever bless,
no evil can our steps betide.	of both the Spirit, to confess.

All 7 Praise we the Father and the Son  
and Holy Spirit, with them one;  
and may the Son on us bestow  
the gifts that from the Spirit flow.

Text: attr. Rhabanus Maurus, 776–856; tr. composite, alt.  
Music: KOMM, GOTT SCHÖPFER, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1533

## GREETING

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

**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.  
**C** This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. **II** Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and  
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

**C** This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. **I** Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and  
 join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or, glo-ry, and  
 might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

**C** This is the feast of vic-tory for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. **II** For the Lamb who was  
 slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.

**C** This is the feast of vic-tory for our God.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth.

By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*We sit.*

## (11:00) COMMISSIONING OF STEPHEN MINISTERS

*Susan Bogner, Lawrence Garber, Ackeli Howell, Lynda McClendon*

# ✝ WORD ✝

## FIRST READING: Acts 2:1–21

When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.”

<sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup>‘In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. <sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup>And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. <sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. <sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’”

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

ANTIPHON: Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth

**L** O LORD, how manifold | are your works!\*

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full | of your creatures.

**G** Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too man- | y to number,\*  
creatures both | small and great.

**L** There move the ships, and there is | that Leviathan,\*  
which you have made for the | sport of it.

**G** All of them | look to you\*  
to give them their food | in due season.

**L** You give it to them; they | gather it;\*  
you open your hand, and they are filled | with good things.

**G** You hide your face, and | they are terrified;\*  
you take away their breath, and they die and return | to their dust.

**L** You send forth your Spirit, and they | are created;\*  
and so you renew the face | of the earth.

**G** May the glory of the LORD en- | dure forever;\*  
may the LORD rejoice in | all his works.

**L** He looks at the earth | and it trembles;\*  
he touches the mountains | and they smoke.

**G** I will sing to the LORD as long | as I live;\*  
I will praise my God while I | have my being.

**L** May these words | of mine please him;\*  
I will rejoice | in the LORD.

**G** Bless the LORD, | O my soul.\*  
Hal- | lelujah!

SECOND READING: Romans 8:14–17

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!”

<sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ — if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.



*We stand, facing the cross in procession.*

## GOSPEL VERSE

Walter Pelz

Alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people,  
set them on fire with your love. Alleluia!

## HOLY GOSPEL: John 14:8–17, 25–27

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



Philip said to [Jesus], “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.”<sup>9</sup> Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? <sup>10</sup>Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup>Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup>Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup>I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup>If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

<sup>15</sup>If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup>This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

<sup>25</sup>I have said these things to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup>But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup>Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.”

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.



*We turn to face the cross in procession.*

*We sit.*

**SERMON:** Ready or Not, the Spirit Descends

Pastor David R. Lyle  
John 14:8–17, 25–27

*We stand.*

## HYMN OF THE DAY: Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord



1. Come, Ho - ly Ghost, God and Lord, with all your grac - es
2. Come, ho - ly Light, guide di - vine, now cause the Word of
3. Come, ho - ly Fire, com - fort true, grant us the will your



now out - poured on each be - liev - er's mind and heart; your  
life to shine. Teach us to know our God a - right and  
work to do and in your ser - vice to a - bide; let



fer - vent love to them im - part. Lord, by the bright - ness  
call him Fa - ther with de - light. From ev - 'ry er - ror  
tri - als turn us not a - side. Lord, by your pow'r pre -



of your light in ho - ly faith your church u - nite; from ev - 'ry land and  
keep us free; let none but Christ our mas - ter be, that we in liv - ing  
pare each heart and to our weak - ness strength im - part, that brave - ly here we



ev - 'ry tongue, this to your praise, O Lord, our God, be  
faith a - bide, in him, our Lord, with all our might con -  
may con - tend, through life and death to you, our Lord, as -



sung: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
fide. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
cend. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## 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

*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.*

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM: If Ye Love Me

Thomas Tallis

If ye love me, keep my commandments,  
and I will pray the Father,  
and he shall give you another comforter,  
that he may bide with you forever,  
even the spirit of truth.

John 14:15–17

## 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 rose beyond the bounds of death and, on this day, as he had promised,  
poured out your Spirit of life and power upon the chosen disciples.  
At this the whole earth exults in boundless joy.  
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.

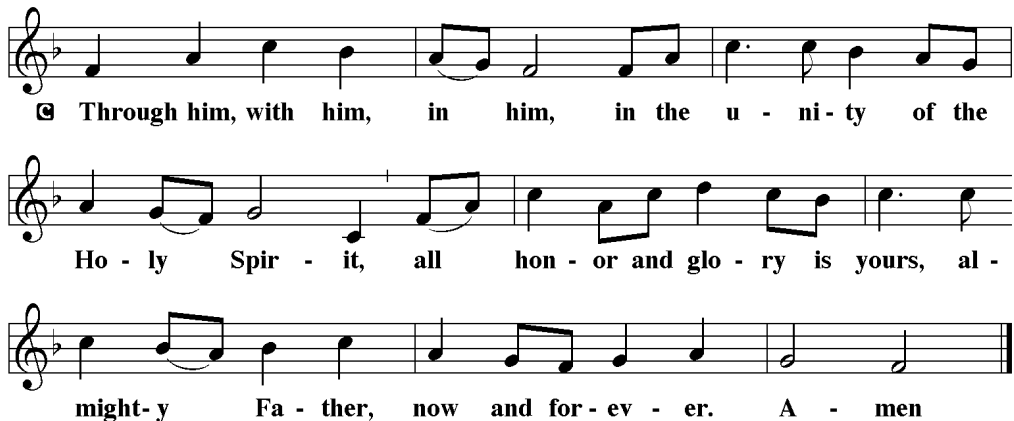
And, believing the witness of his resurrection,  
we await his coming in power  
to share with us the great and promised feast.

☑ **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.



- 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.

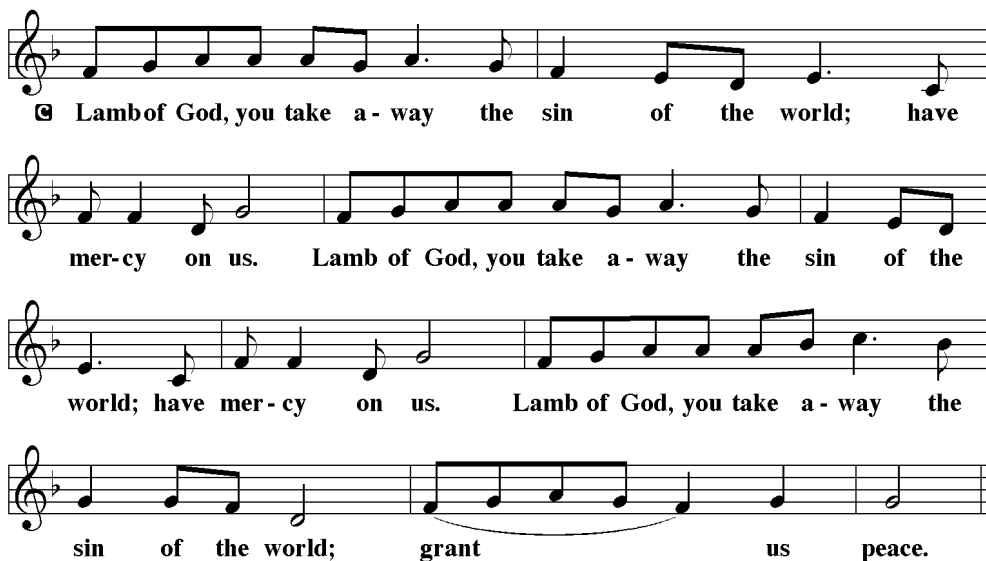
- P** The gifts of God for the people of God.

- 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.*

*We receive communion at the head of the center aisle, receiving the consecrated bread  
and then drinking directly from the chalice or dipping the bread into the wine (intinction).*

*Those choosing individual cups will find non-alcoholic wine in the center of the tray.*

*Those with a gluten allergy may ask the pastor for a gluten-free host.*





## ANTHEM: Peace I Leave with You

Paul Bouman

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you; such as the world cannot give.  
Let not your hearts be troubled, and neither let them be afraid.

John 14:27

Anoint and cheer our soiled face  
With the abundance of thy grace.  
Keep far our foes; give peace at home;  
Where thou art guide, no ill can come.

Praise to thine eternal merit,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Rhabanus Maurus, 776–856; tr. John Cosin, 1594–1672

## HYMN: Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading

(blue) WOV #687



*Njo - o kwe - tu, Ro - ho mwe - ma, M - fa - ri - ji we - tu.*  
1 Gra - cious Spir - it, heed our plead - ing, fash - ion us all a - new.  
2 Come to teach us, come to nour - ish those who be - lieve in Christ.  
3 Guide our think - ing and our speak - ing done in your ho - ly name.



*Tu - fu - ndi - she ya mbi - ngu - ni, tu - we wa - tu wa - pya.*  
It's your lead - ing that we're need - ing, help us to fol - low you.  
Bless the faith - ful, may they flour - ish, strength - ened by grace un - priced.  
Mo - ti - vate all in their seek - ing, free - ing from guilt and shame.

*Refrain*



*Njo - o, njo - o, njo - o, Ro - ho mwe - ma.*  
Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.



*Njo - o, njo - o, njo - o, Ro - ho mwe - ma.*  
Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

4 Not mere knowledge, but discernment,  
nor rootless liberty;  
turn disquiet to contentment,  
doubt into certainty. *Refrain*

5 Keep us fervent in our witness,  
unswayed by earth's allure.  
Ever grant us zealous fitness,  
which you alone assure. *Refrain*

Text: Wilson Niwagila; tr. Howard S. Olson, b. 1922

Music: NIOOKWETU, ROHO MWEMA, Wilson Niwagila

English and Swahili text and music © Lutheran Theological College, Makumira, Tanzania, admin. Augsburg Fortress

*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.

Eternal God, through our baptism into the death and resurrection of Christ  
you give us the water of life and nourish us at this table  
with the food and drink of the promised land.

Send us forth into the world, that we may be witnesses to your glory  
made known to us in Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**C** Amen.

## ✠ SENDING ✠

### (8:30) COMMISSIONING OF STEPHEN MINISTERS

*Susan Bogner, Lawrence Garber, Ackeli Howell, Lynda McClendon*

## BENEDICTION

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

**C** Amen.

## SENDING HYMN: O Day Full of Grace

*(green)* **LBW #161**

Concertato by Carl F. Schalk



1 O day full of grace that now we see ap - pear - ing on  
**Choir** 2 O day full of grace, O bless - ed time, our Lord on the  
3 For Christ bore our sins, and not his own, when he on the  
**Choir** 4 God came to us then at Pen - te - cost, his Spir - it new  
5 When we on that fi - nal jour - ney go that Christ is for



earth's ho - ri - zon, bring light from our God that we may  
earth ar - riv - ing; then came to the world that light sub -  
cross was hang - ing; and then he a - rose and moved the  
life re - veal - ing, that we might no more from him be  
us pre - par - ing, we'll gath - er in song, our hearts a -



be re - plete in his joy this sea - son. God, shine for us  
time, great joy for us all re - triev - ing; for Je - sus all  
stone, that we, un - to him be - long - ing, might join with an -  
lost, all dark - ness for us dis - pel - ling. His flame will the  
glow, all joy of the heav - ens shar - ing, and walk in the



now in this dark place; your name on our hearts em - bla - zon.  
mor - tals did em - brace, all dark - ness and shame re - mov - ing.  
gel - ic hosts to raise our voic - es in end - less sing - ing.  
mark of sin ef - face and bring to us all his heal - ing.  
light of God's own place, with an - gels his name a - dor - ing.

Text: Danish folk hymn, c. 1450; tr. Gerald Thorson, 1921–2001  
Music: DEN SIGNEDE DAG, Christoph E. F. Weyse, 1774–1842

Text © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress

## DISMISSAL

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

**POSTLUDE:** *Komm, Gott Schöpfer, Heiliger Geist*, BWV 631  
(Come, God Creator, Holy Ghost)

Johann Sebastian Bach

## LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Troy E. Medlin, presiding minister  
The Rev. David R. Lyle, preaching minister  
The Rev. Karl Reko, assisting minister  
Grace Parish Choir  
Christian Anderson and Candace Horton, trumpets  
Tim Coffman and Brad Payne, trombones  
Tina Laughlin, timpani

### 8:30

Paulette Reddel  
Sandy Lentz and Paul Eichwedel  
Emily Jones and Nora Isenberg  
Lois Harb and Julie Modrich  
Jane Andrew and Roberta Gillespie  
John Sanger and Susan Weber  
Liz Hanson and Eunice Eifert  
Thomas Schmidt

### Deacon

### Lectors

### Crucifer/Bible Bearer

### Gift Bearers

### Altar Guild

### Ushers

### Livestream Audio/Video

### Organist/Choir Director

### 11:00

Al Swanson  
Carrie Simpson and Rhea Sprecher  
Kaitlyn Dill  
Carolyn Becker and Gale Schmidt  
Ellie Schnack and Gerlinde VanDriesen  
Mary Rasmusson and Eliza Grahnke

The Rev. Michael D. Costello

# LET US PRAY. . .

## Those who are sick and recovering from illness

Betty Albain	Hans Dumpys	Phyllis Kersten	Adrienne Rott
<b>Pat Allen</b>	Louis Elia	Scott Krueger	Marnie Rourke
Diane Amati	Hena Gantepalli	Karen Lemke	Pat Scala
Annalise Balock	Erica Charles Garcia	Carolyn Martin	Harrison Schedler
Cathy Barker	David Gruendler	Karen McMahon	Jim Scherer
Len Berghaus	Don Heimburger	Craig Mindrum	
Miriam Bretscher	Patricia Herendeen	Dave Moeller	
MaryBeth Buschman	Virginia Hillert	Carol Prinz	

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*)  
 James Beglin (*cousin of Cathy Schnittker*)  
 Fran Benson (*sister-in-law of Eunice Spurgat*)  
 Karen Berglund (*friend of Carol Stanger*)  
 Jamie Carpenter (*cousin of Jay and Scott Christopher*)  
 Jeffrey Cole (*friend of Paul Eichwedel*)  
 Elena Davis (*friend of Sue and Pat Allen*)  
 Stella Dillberg (*mother of Gretchen Weaver*)  
 Clara Dorsey (*mother of Jo-Ellyn Dorsey*)  
 David Eastman (*brother of Pat Anderson*)  
 Tana Edmonson (*friend of Paul Eichwedel*)  
 Jeanine Wakim El-Khoury (*friend of Chrissy Nelson*)  
 Patti and Neal Enslin (*friends of Marilyn Heppner*)  
 Randy Ernst (*friend of Valerie Spiller*)  
 Rikka Estenson (*mother of Erika Lyle*)  
 Cindy Sircher Fuchs and family (*friend of Susan Franzone*)  
 Benjamin Galihier (*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*)  
 Julia Hickey (*daughter of Susan Hickey*)  
 Margaret Hofmaier (*mother of Barbara Hofmaier*)  
 Alice Hollis (*friend of Marge Sanger*)  
 Judy Johnson (*Grace School alum*)  
 Ellen Kanik (*friend of Eileen and Joe Maggio*)  
 Derek Kaufman (*son of Nancy Kaufman*)  
 Doug Kelner (*friend of Irmgard and Al Swanson*)  
 Arnold Krubsack (*brother of Irmgard Swanson*)  
 Kathryn Krubsack (*niece of Irmgard Swanson*)  
 Maxx Kuser (*friend of Deb Maxwell*)  
 Beth Luebbe and family (*sister of Jenny Luebbe*)

Karen Luebbe (*mother of Jenny Luebbe*)  
 John Lunde (*friend of Susan Messerli*)  
 Esther Martz (*friend of Susie Calhoun*)  
 Melina Masihi (*friend of Chrissy Nelson*)  
 Pam Mattox (*friend of many at Grace*)  
 Stacy Maugans (*friend of Johanna Johnson*)  
 Leone, Gracie, and Brian Maxwell (*cousins of Tom and Deb Maxwell*)  
 Dwight Nelson (*father of Annalise Nelson Balock*)  
 Carol Niendorf (*friend of Bill and Barbara Urbrock*)  
 Danny Parkhill (*cousin of Stephanie and Lance Wilkening*)  
 Dolores Pelz (*cousin of Evelyn Grams*)  
 Paul Peters (*son-in-law of Robert and Billie Navarre*)  
 Elaine Pierce (*friend of Al and Irmgard Swanson*)  
 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*)  
 Sheila Saha (*relative of Bob and Kathryn Jandeska*)  
 Steve Schmidt (*son of Gick Schmidt*)  
 Sandy Schnittker (*sister of Paul Schnittker*)  
 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*)  
 Russ Tellio (*friend of Susan and David Franzone*)  
 Ilene Thompson (*sister of Marilyn Heppner*)  
 William Van Santen (*father of Ken Van Santen*)  
 Mary Lou Wagoner (*sister-in-law of Stan Reddel*)  
 Verna Walsh (*aunt of Dan and Deanna Marotz*)  
 Lennon Waspi (*relative of Ann and Ed Mason*)  
 Bob Weaver (*husband of Gretchen*)  
 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*)  
 Don and Arleeta Yeske (*friends of Eunice Spurgat*)  
 Veronica Zurowski (*mother of Tom Zurowski*)

## Benevolence ministries

Lutheran Disaster Response

## In Thanksgiving for

The 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordination into ministry of the **Rev. Gale Schmidt**

The commissioning of **Susan Bogner, Lawrence Garber, Ackli Howell, Lynda McClendon** as Stephen Ministers

## Those serving in the armed services

Kevin Buss (*nephew of Christa Kront*)

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*)

John Kibler (*son of April Kibler*)

Bradley Larson (*cousin of Rhea Sprecher*)

Joshua Nelson (*son-in-law of Ted and Maja Anton*)

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*)

## Those who are homebound

Jayne Chilton

Carolyn Martin

Christopher Davis

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

## Copyright Acknowledgments

Portions of this liturgy reprinted from *Lutheran Book of Worship*, copyright © 1978 by Augsburg Fortress, *With One Voice*, copyright © 1995 by Augsburg Fortress, and *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, copyright © 2006 by Augsburg Fortress. Graphics reprinted from *Sundaysandseasons.com*. All rights reserved. All of the above used by permission of Augsburg Fortress liturgies license #38423.

Readings come from the New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright © 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

Entrance Hymn Concertato, Communion Distribution Hymn, and Sending Hymn and Concertato all reprinted and/or livestreamed by permission of OneLicense.net license #A-704569.

## COME, HOLY SPIRIT - RENEW THE WHOLE CREATION

"Come, Holy Spirit - renew the whole creation" is a cry of human helplessness, faithlessness, powerlessness. When our world hungers for justice and peace, when our imaginations run sterile, when our will loses its energy, then we cry, "Come, Holy Spirit, rescue us from coolness, cynicism, and selfishness." When problems become intractable, human love grows cold, and solidarity collapses, we often look for solutions to various fanaticisms, social, political, religious. We would do better to be called back to our sacred duty of interceding for the world, even as the Spirit intercedes for us (Rom.8:27).

In the creation stories of Genesis two expressions bring out the relation between human beings and the rest of creation: in the first chapter we read about being created in the image of God, in chapter two we are being inbreathed with the breath of God. In the second chapter God also puts Adam in the garden to till and "keep" it, expressing our responsibility for the care and protection of creation. God's story is about the good creation, the damage done to it, and its need of mending. When Jesus chose to make the kingdom of God the central theme of his ministry, he affirms in words and deeds that the goal of his work is the renewal of God's creation.

Part of the Scripture readings for Pentecost is Psalm 104:30, "When you send forth your Spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth." The whole psalm speaks about God's Spirit creating and renewing the earth, not just human beings. It reminds us of our continuity with creation, like the Leviathan sporting in the sea. The beauty of all creation helps us to appreciate the very sanctity of nature.

The same Spirit of God is also behind artistic creativity as when God instructs Moses through Rezael how to make the furnishings of the Ark (Ex. 31:2). This is also reflected in human creativity. The Swedish writer Karin Boye once wrote: "I would like to carve a wooden spoon so plain that people see God." The French artist Georges Rouault expressed a similar desire to create a work of art that anyone seeing it would become a believer.

"Come, Holy Spirit - renew the whole creation." How do we make this prayer operative in the local congregation? The key lies in an organic vision of worship when the baptized are regularly gathered by the Holy Spirit in community in order to be nurtured by God's Word and the Holy Supper. They are then sent out by the same Spirit to mend creation where it is broken. In other words, to be a faithful believer is not simply to go to church, but to be the church wherever one goes.

Pastor + Hans Dumpys

*Note: The idea for this essay comes from the theme of the General Assembly of the World Council of Churches in Canberra, Australia, 1991. Of all the materials for this occasion the study by Bishop Krister Stendahl, Energy for Life, has been especially worthwhile. Having been his student, I draw again on his thought, paraphrase it, and quote him.*

## THIS WEEK AT GRACE

### TODAY, JUNE 5

Library Open for Self-Service..... 8:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**Worship – Holy Communion**.....8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Rummage Sale Donation (Gymnasium) .....1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

### MONDAY, JUNE 6

Rummage Sale Donation.....9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 7

Rummage Sale Donation.....9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday Conversations (Conference Room) ..... 10:00 a.m.

Pilates (Third Floor Commons) .....6:15 p.m.

Health Cabinet (Church Library) ..... 7:00 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

Rummage Sale Donation.....9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Cornerstones Picnic (Atrium)..... 11:30 a.m.

Property Committee (1902 Room) ..... 7:00 p.m.

### THURSDAY, JUNE 9

Rummage Sale Donation.....9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Boy Scout Court of Honor (Fellowship Hall) ..... 6:00 p.m.

Board of Discipleship (Conference Room)..... 7:00 p.m.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 10

Rummage Sale.....8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Finding Hope (Church Library) ..... 10:00 a.m.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 11

Rummage Sale..... 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

## Electronic giving

*Your financial gifts support the ministry of Grace Lutheran Church and School.*

### On Venmo

Search for Grace Lutheran Church/School or @graceriverforest.

### By text

Text a dollar amount to 833-471-1346. If you're a first-time text giver, you'll receive a link with instructions about how to complete your donation.

### Online donation

Go to [GraceRiverForest.org](https://graceriverforest.org) and look for Donate on the home page menu. Or use the QR code.



# Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church

We are glad that you are worshipping with us!

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

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Check all that apply:

- ☐ I am visiting Grace for the first time.
- ☐ I would like to know more about Grace Church.
- ☐ I am interested in a path toward membership.
- ☐ I would like to know more about Grace School.
- ☐ I would like to receive Grace's weekly e-mail,

*Sunday Is Coming.*

- ☐ I would like one of the pastors to contact me  
via (check one) ☐ Phone or ☐ E-mail.

**GRACE  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH  
& SCHOOL**

7300 Division Street  
River Forest, Illinois 60305  
Phone: (708) 366-6900  
Fax: (708) 366-0966  
[www.graceriverforest.org](http://www.graceriverforest.org)  
[gracechurch@graceriverforest.org](mailto:gracechurch@graceriverforest.org)

*Bring in, build up, and send out disciples for Jesus Christ*

**David R. Lyle**, Senior Pastor  
**Troy E. Medlin**, Associate Pastor  
**F. Dean Lueking**, Pastor Emeritus  
**Michael D. Costello**, Cantor  
**William Koehne**, Principal  
**Julie Modrich**, Children's Ministry Coordinator  
**Gwen Gotsch**, Communications Coordinator  
**Jim McClanahan**, Director of Administration & Finance  
**David Pfeiffer**, Facilities Manager  
**José Meza**, Technology Manager