



GRACE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Holy Communion
The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 7, 2022
9:30 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 most 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.

Altar Flowers can be sponsored by members to celebrate a special occasion or to honor the memory of a loved one. Stop by the front desk for more information and to sign up.

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.

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

It is the Father's good pleasure to give us the Kingdom. The promises of God belong to you and me. In baptism we have been assured of our citizenship in a city whose architect and builder is God. It is as good as done. Our future is held in the arms of the One who has crossed the final boundary of death and journeyed all the way back again. Faith in this One is generative and dynamic. It is as vibrant as those baptismal waters where we were washed into eternal life. Sealed with the Spirit we have nothing left to prove to God, the world, or ourselves. With our newfound freedom we can follow our ancestors like Abraham and Sarah in a life of bold trust in the One who always provides something new out of impossible situations. Here, storing up treasures in Heaven and giving our life away for the sake of others is the only wise investment in God's economy. Stay alert and do not be afraid.

✝ GATHERING ✝

PRELUDE: Sonata II

Felix Mendelssohn

Grave—Adagio—Allegro maestoso e vivace

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 \dagger Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

We face the cross in procession

ENTRANCE HYMN: God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

(green) **LBW #463**



1 God, who stretched the span - gled heav - ens in - fi - nite in time and place,
2 We have ven - tured worlds un - dreamed of since the child-hood of our race;
3 As each far ho - ri - zon beck - ons, may it chal-lenge us a - new:



flung the suns in burn-ing ra - diance through the si - lent fields of space:
known the ec - sta - sy of wing-ing through un - trav-eled realms of space;
chil - dren of cre - a - tive pur - pose, serv - ing oth-ers, hon - 'ring you.



we, your chil - dren in your like-ness, share in-ven-tive pow'rs with you;
probed the se - crets of the at - om, yield-ing un - i - mag - ined pow'r,
May our dreams prove rich with prom-ise; each en-deav-or well be - gun;



great Cre - a - tor, still cre - at - ing, show us what we yet may do.
fac - ing us with life's de - struc - tion or our most tri - um - phant hour.
great Cre - a - tor, give us guid - ance till our goals and yours are one.

Text: Catherine Cameron, b. 1927

Music: HOLY MANNA, W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

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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



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



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



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



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



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



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



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



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



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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God,

you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church.

Open our hearts to the riches of your grace,

that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear,

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

We sit.

✠ WORD ✠

FIRST READING: Genesis 15:1–6

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” ²But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” ⁴But the word of the LORD came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” ⁵He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” ⁶And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 33:12–22

ANTIPHON: Let your lovingkindness be upon us,
as we have put our trust in you.

John Paradowski

L Happy is the nation whose God | is the Lord!*

Happy the people he has chosen to | be his own!

C The Lord looks | down from heaven,*
and beholds all the people | in the world.

L From where he sits enthroned he | turns his gaze*
on all who dwell | on the earth.

C He fashions all the | hearts of them*
and understands | all their works.

- L** There is no king that can be saved by a | mighty army;*
 a strong man is not delivered by | his great strength.
C **The horse is a vain hope | for deliverance;***
for all its strength it | cannot save.
L Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon | those who fear him,*
 on those who wait up- | on his love,
C **to pluck their | lives from death,***
and to feed them in | time of famine.
L Our soul waits | for the Lord;*,
 he is our help | and our shield.
C **Indeed, our heart rejoic- | es in him,***
for in his holy name we | put our trust.
L Let your lovingkindness, O Lord, | be upon us,*
 as we have put our | trust in you.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 11:1–3, 8–16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old — and Sarah herself was barren — because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, “as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.”

¹³All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

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

We stand.

GOSPEL VERSE: John 6:68



HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 12:32–40

P 'The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.

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

[Jesus said:] ³²"Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

P 'The Gospel of the Lord.

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

We sit.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

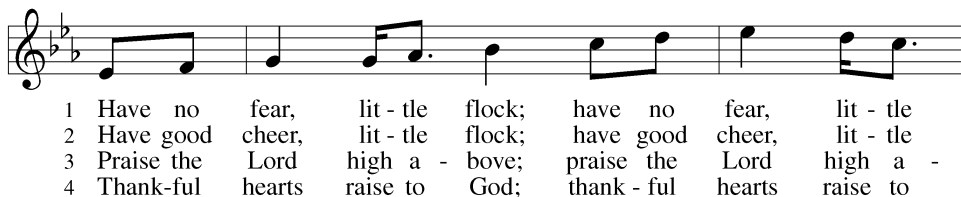
SERMON: A Future Free of Fear

Pastor Troy E. Medlin
Hebrews 11:1–3, 8–16; Luke 12:32–40

We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY: Have No Fear, Little Flock

(green) **LBW #476**



flock, for the Fa - ther has cho - sen to
flock, for the Fa - ther will keep you in
bove, for he stoops down to heal you, up -
God, for he stays close be - side you, in

give you the king - dom; have no fear, lit - tle flock!
his love for - ev - er; have good cheer, lit - tle flock!
lift and re - store you; praise the Lord high a - bove!
all things works with you; thank - ful hearts raise to God!

Text: Luke 12:32, st. 1: Marjorie Jilson, b. 1931, sts. 2-4
Music: LITTLE FLOCK, Heinz Werner Zimmermann, b. 1930

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APOSTLES' CREED

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

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

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

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

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each petition concludes:

- A** Lord, in your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

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

✠ MEAL ✠

PEACE OF CHRIST

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C And also with you.

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

We sit.

OFFERING/VOLUNTARY:

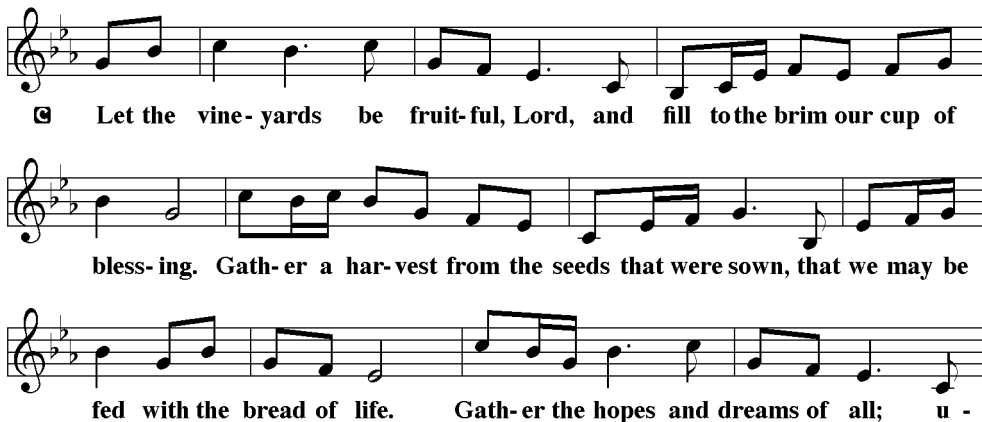
Adagio (from Sonata II)

Felix Mendelssohn

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We stand as the gifts are presented.

OFFERTORY CANTICLE: Let the Vineyards



C Let the vine- yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless- ing. Gath- er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath- er the hopes and dreams of all; u -

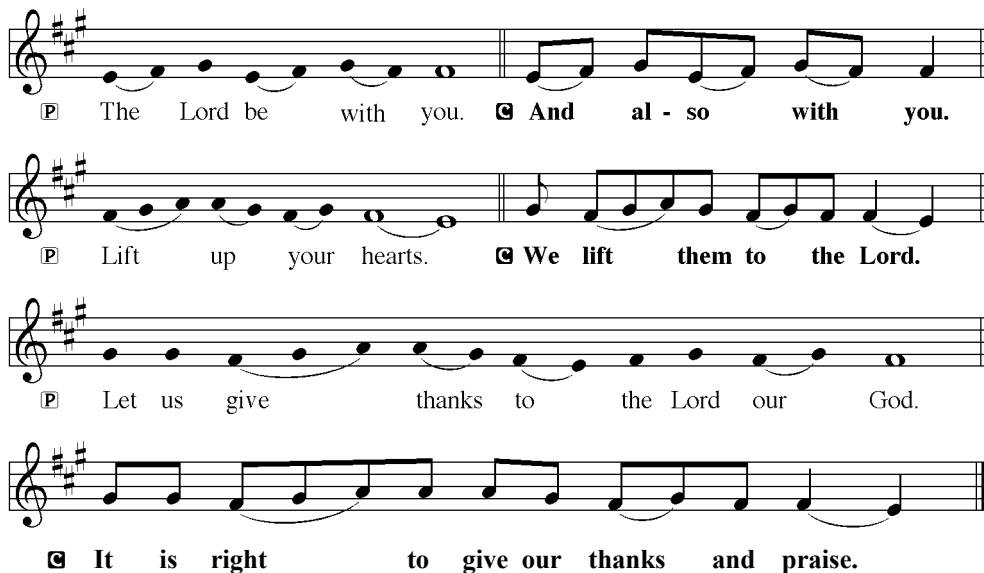


nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

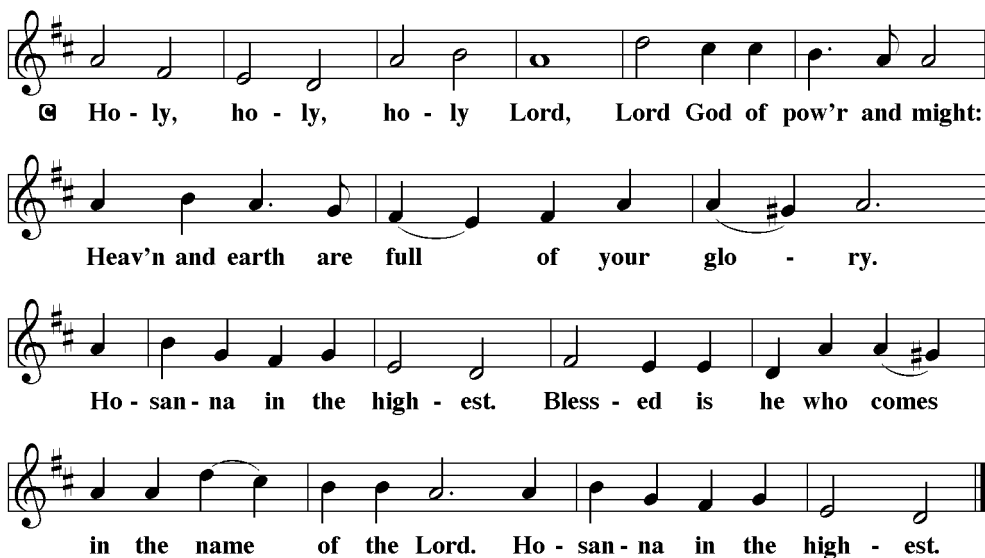
- A** Let us pray.
Blessed are you,
C O Lord our God, maker of all things.
Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts.
With them we offer ourselves to your service
and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made,
for the sake of him who gave himself for us, 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:



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

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

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, Lord of heaven and earth.

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

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

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper,
he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

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

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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

C Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

P The gifts of God for the people of God.

C Thanks be to God.

P Come, for all is now ready.

We sit.

AGNUS DEI



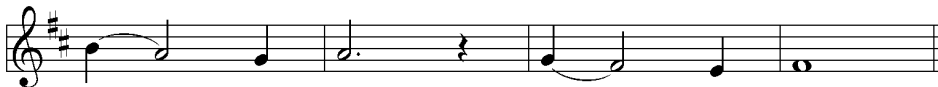
C Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



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



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



grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

Our Lord Jesus Christ welcomes you to this meal of the baptized.

The crucified and risen Christ is present in the Lord's Supper, giving us his true body and blood as food and drink.

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.

MUSIC FOR THE COMMUNION

ANTHEM: We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

Michael D. Costello

We walk by faith and not by sight;
With gracious words draw near,
O Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke:
"My peace be with you here."

We may not touch your hands and side,
Nor follow where you trod;
But in your promise we rejoice,
And cry "My Lord and God!"

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief,
And may our faith abound
To call on you when you are near,
And seek where you are found.

That when our life of faith is done,
In realms of clearer light
We may behold you as you are,
With full and endless sight.

Henry Alford



- 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

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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.

G 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: Blessed Assurance

(blue) WOV #699



1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood.
an-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.
watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.

Refrain



This is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long:



this is my sto-ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915

Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Sonata II

Fuga: Allegro moderato

Felix Mendelssohn

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. David R. Lyle	Presiding Minister
The Rev. Troy E. Medlin	Preaching Minister
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Lawrence Caponigri and Lois Harb	Gift Bearers
John Sanger, Martin Becker,	Ushers
Gerlinde VanDriesen, Eliza Grahnke	
Linda and Scott Street	Altar Guild
Thomas Schmidt	Organist
Dan Krout	Soloist
Christa Krout	Flutist
Al Swanson, Andrew Costello	Livestream audio/video

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Russ Tellio *(friend of Susan and David Franzone)*
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Michael Winters *(friend of Dick and Linda Martens)*
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 Immigration and Refugee Services

For those who mourn the death of

Felipe Altamirano (*friend of Cathy and Paul Schnittker*)

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

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*)

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

Joan Koerber

Christopher Davis

Kathleen Wrobel

Those who need encouragement

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

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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY, AUGUST 7

Library Open for Self-Service9:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Worship – Holy Communion9:30 a.m.
Coffee Hour (Outdoors/Atrium)10:30 a.m.

MONDAY, AUGUST 8

Finance Committee (Virtual) 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9

Retired Leaders (Church Library).....10:00 a.m.
Pilates (Fellowship Hall)6:15 p.m.
Elementary Education Committee (1902 Room) ... 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

Cornerstones (Church Library).....9:30 a.m.
GLOW Worship (Outdoors/Atrium)..... 6:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11

Board of Discipleship (Virtual)..... 7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

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

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

Visitation for Bob Carlson10:00 a.m.
Funeral Service for Bob Carlson 11:00 a.m.
Reception following service (Fellowship Hall)

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
Julie Hinz, Discipleship and Fellowship Coordinator
Jim McClanahan, Director of Administration & Finance
David Pfeiffer, Facilities Manager
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