



GRACE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

**The Holy Communion
The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 25, 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 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. Please stop by the front desk for details or 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

While we did not live in one, our community in South Carolina was home to many gated communities. To me, the message was always clear: Keep out! Only certain people were good enough to enter. While such communities are less common in this neck of the woods, the attitudes are still present. It's true throughout humanity. We create barriers and boundaries to keep out others. But what if the side we consider right is wrong? The rich man in today's parable thought he had it made. Part of the "good life" was not having to deal with losers like Lazarus. God, however, has a drastically different point of view. In the parable's imagined eternity, Lazarus is called home to Abraham while the rich man suffers torment. This eternal inversion reveals what God has cared about all along; God is on the side of the poor. In the resurrection of Jesus, the great chasm between death and life has been conquered. There is no one outside the gates of God's grace. In that grace, we are invited to get on the right side of this world's gates, standing with and working for the poor and marginalized.

✠ GATHERING ✠

PRELUDE: Praise the Almighty

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

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: Praise the Almighty

(green) **LBW #539**

(11:00) Stanza three is sung by the choir in a harmonization by Paul Bunjes.

The musical notation is written on five staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with various note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes, as well as rests. The lyrics are printed below the notes, aligned with the corresponding syllables. The hymn is divided into four stanzas, each corresponding to a staff of music.

1. Praise the Al - might - y, my soul, a - dore him!
2. Trust not in rul - ers; they are but mor - tal;
3. Bless - ed, oh, bless - ed are they for - ev - er
4. Praise, all you peo - ple, the name so ho - ly

Yes, I will laud him un - til death;
Earth - born they are and soon de - cay.
Whose help is from the Lord most high,
Of him who does such won - drous things!

With songs and an - thems I come be - fore him
Vain are their coun - sels at life's last por - tal,
Whom from sal - va - tion noth - ing can sev - er,
All that has be - ing, to praise him sole - ly,

As long as he al - lows me breath.
When the dark grave en - gulf its prey.
And who in hope heart to Christ draw nigh.
With hap - py heart its a - men sings!

From him my life and all things came;
 Since mor - tals can no help af - ford,
 To all who trust in him, our Lord
 Chil - dren of God, with an - gel host

Bless, O my soul, his ho - ly name.
 Place all your trust in Christ, our Lord.
 Will aid and coun - sel now our af - ford.
 Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!

Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

Text: Johann D. Herrnschmidt, 1675-1723, tr. Alfred E. R. Brauer, 1866-1949, alt.
 Tune: Seelen-Harfe, Ansbach, 1664

LOBE DEN HERREN, O MEINE SEELE
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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: Glory to God in the Highest

A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

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

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



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



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



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



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



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



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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, rich in mercy,
you look with compassion on this troubled world.
Feed us with your grace,
and grant us the treasure that comes only from you,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

We sit.

✝ WORD ✝

FIRST READING: Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,
and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria,
⁴Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,
and lounge on their couches,
and eat lambs from the flock,
and calves from the stall;
⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,
and like David improvise on instruments of music;
⁶who drink wine from bowls,
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

℣ The Word of the Lord.

☞ **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 146

Antiphon by Michael D. Costello

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

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

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 6:6–19

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

We stand.

GOSPEL VERSE: 2 Corinthians 8:9

John Helgen

Choir Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

C **REFRAIN** (*below*)



Choir You know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ,
that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor,
so that by his poverty you might become rich.

C **REFRAIN**

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 16:19–31

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

G Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’ ²⁵But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ ²⁷He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ ³⁰He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ ³¹He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON: Smashing the Gates

Pastor David R. Lyle
Luke 16: 19–31



We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY: Lord, 'Thee I Love with All My Heart

(green) **LBW #325**

(11:00) The choir sings stanza three in a setting by Hans Leo Hassler.



1 Lord, thee I love with all my heart; I pray thee, ne'er from me de-part;
2 Yea, Lord, 'twas thy rich boun-ty gave my bod - y, soul, and all I have
3 Lord, let at last thine an-gels come, to A-br'ham's bo - som bear me home,



with ten - der mer - cy cheer me. Earth has no plea - sure I would share,
in this poor life of la - bor. Lord, grant that I in ev - 'ry place
that I may die un - fear - ing; and in its nar - row cham-ber keep



yea, heav'n it - self were void and bare if thou, Lord, wert not near me.
may glo - ri - fy thy lav - ish grace and serve and help my neigh - bor.
my bod - y safe in peace-ful sleep un - til thy re - ap - pear - ing.



And should my heart for sor-row break, my trust in thee can noth-ing shake.
Let no false doc-trine me be-guile, let Sa - tan not my soul de - file.
And then from death a - wak-en me, that these mine eyes with joy may see,



Thou art the por - tion I have sought; thy pre - cious
Give strength and pa - tience un - to me to bear my
O Son of God, thy glo - rious face, my Sav - ior



blood my soul has bought. Lord Je - sus Christ, my God and
cross and fol - low thee. Lord Je - sus Christ, my God and
and my fount of grace. Lord Je - sus Christ, my prayer at -



Lord, my God and Lord, for - sake me not! I trust thy word.
Lord, my God and Lord, in death thy com - fort still af - ford.
tend, my prayer at - tend, and I will praise thee with - out end!

Text: Martin Schalling, 1532–1608; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1829–1878, alt.
Music: HERZLICH LIEB, B. Schmid, *Orgeltabulatur-Buch*, 1577

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: Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart

Michael D. Costello

We stand as the gifts are presented.

OFFERTORY VERSE: Revelation 3:20–21

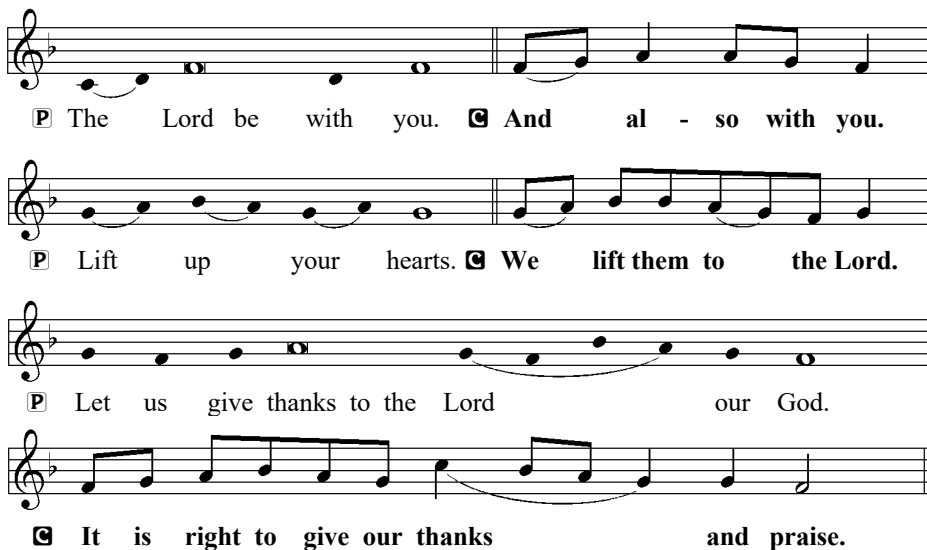
Carl F. Schalk

Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any hear my voice and open the door,
I will come into them and eat with them, and they with me.
To those who conquer I will grant to sit with me on my throne,
as I myself conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A** Let us pray. Merciful Father,
C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—
our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love.
Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



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

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

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

- P** It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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, 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

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.

MUSIC FOR THE COMMUNION

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

Ralph Vaughan Williams

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

Psalm 34:8



1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser-vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
 2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
 3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi-sion, till your love's re-veal-ing light
 4 Called by wor-ship to your ser-vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up-on the cross, for-sak-en, worked your mer-cy's per-fect deed:
 still the cap-tives long for free-dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
 in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up-on our quick-ened sight,
 to the child, the youth, the a-ged, love in liv-ing deeds to show;



we, your ser-vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a-lone, but heart;
 As you, Lord, in deep com-pas-sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
 mak-ing known the needs and bur-dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear,
 hope and health, good-will and com-fort, coun-sel, aid, and peace we give,



con-se-crating to your pur-pose ev-'ry gift which you im-part.
 by your Spir-it send your pow-er to our world to make it whole.
 stir-ring us to ar-dent ser-vice, your a-bun-dant life to share.
 that your ser-vants, Lord, in free-dom may your mer-cy know and live.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984

Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844

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We stand.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

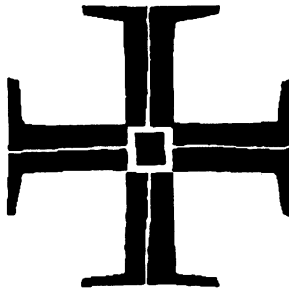
P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen.**

A 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

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

☑ Amen.

SENDING HYMN: My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness

(blue) WOV #730



- 1 My soul pro-claims your great-ness, Lord; I sing my Sav - ior's praise!
- 2 To all who live in ho - ly fear your mer - cy ev - er flows.
- 3 To Is - ra - el, your ser - vant blest, your help is ev - er sure;



You looked up - on my low - li - ness, and I am full of grace.
With might - y arm you dash the proud, their schem-ing hearts ex - pose.
the prom - ise to our par - ents made their chil - dren will se - cure.



Now ev - 'ry land and ev - 'ry age this bless-ing shall pro - claim—
The ruth-less you have cast a - side, the low - ly throned in - stead;
Sing glo - ry to the Ho - ly One, give hon - or to the Word,



great won - ders you have done for me, and ho - ly is your name.
the hun - gry filled with all good things, the rich sent off un - fed.
and praise the Pow'r of the Most High, one God, by all a - dored.

Text: *With One Voice*, 1995, based on the Magnificat
Music: KINGSFOLD, English folk tune
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DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: My Soul Proclaims the Lord (Fugue on the *Magnificat*), BWV 733 J. S. Bach

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LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

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

8:30

Jeff Cribbs
Kathryn Jandeska, Eileen Maggio
Nora Isenberg, Emily Jones
Julie Modrich, Carol Ewald
Thomas Ewert
Marilyn Mochlenkamp, Catherine Amato
Justin Martin, Eunice Eiffert

Deacon

Lectors

Crucifer/Bible Bearer

Gift Bearers

Ushers

Altar Guild

Choir

Livestream audio/video

11:00

Al Swanson
Karen Rhode, Ellie Schnack
Charlie Terry, Samuel Schueler
Leanne Cribbs, Paula Stephens
Mike Gillespie, John Roberts
Roberta Gillespie
Parish Choir

LET US PRAY...

Betty Albain
 Annalise Balock
 Cathy Barker
 Len Berghaus
 Miriam Bretscher
 MaryBeth Buschman
 Dick Calhoun
 Hans Dumpys
 Louis Elia
 Susan Franzone
 Hena Gantepalli
 Erica Charles Garcia

Patricia Herendeen
 Genevieve Jones
 Phyllis Kersten
 Scott Krueger
 Karen Lemke
 Karen McMahon
 Dave Moeller
 Adrienne Rott
 Marnie Rourke
 Pat Scala
 Jim Scherer
 Diana Sicuro

Sadaf Azizi (*friend of Grace Church*)
 Pat B. (*friend of Pat Anderson*)
 James Beglin (*cousin of Cathy Schnittker*)
 Fran Benson (*sister-in-law of Eunice Spurgat*)
 Karen Berglund (*friend of Carol Stanger*)
 Jeremy Blyth (*relative of the Lehmann and Niermann families*)
 Khadija Bougdim (*friend of Pat Anderson*)
 Irene Buchbinder (*mother of Paul Buchbinder*)
 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*)
 Greta Ford (*granddaughter of Bruce and Jackie Modahl*)
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The wedding of **Kjerstin Anderson** and **Juan Uribe**

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Matthew Garmatz (*grandson of Margaret Garmatz*)

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

John Kibler (*son of April Kibler*)

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Rusty Robb (*grandnephew of Margaret Kruse/Roberta Gillespie*)

Matthew Shinkwin (*friend of Eunice Spurgat*)

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Those studying abroad

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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Library Open for Self-Service8:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Worship – Holy Communion 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Vaccine Clinic (Gym) 9:30-12:30 a.m.
Sunday School (3rd Floor Commons) 9:45 a.m.
7th – 8th Gr. Confirmation (School Library)..... 9:45 a.m.
9th Gr. Confirmand/Mentors (Fellowship Hall) 9:45 a.m.
Teen Talk (Youth Center)..... 9:45 a.m.
Bach Cantata Preview (Seminar Room)3:00 p.m.
Bach Cantata Vespers3:45 p.m.
Cantata Reception (Fellowship Hall) 5:15 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Dads of Grace (Offsite).....7:30 p.m.
Stephen Ministry (Conference Room).....7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Grace Notes Mailing Crew (Church Library) 9:30 a.m.
Pilates (Fellowship Hall) 6:15 p.m.
Board of Spiritual Life (Conference Room) 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

School Chapel – Morning Prayer..... 8:25 a.m.
Cornerstones (Church Library)..... 9:30 a.m.
Parish Choir Rehearsal (Music Room).....7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

GriefShare (Church Library) 9:00 a.m.
Yoga (Fellowship Hall).....6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Walk With Grace (Grace School Walk-a-thon)
Middle School Bonfire (Offsite)5:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

Benevolence Committee (Conference Room).....10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 4:00 P.M.

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