



Welcome to

## Grace Lutheran Church and School

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



### Visitors

Welcome! We are glad you are here.

Read more about worship on the  
inside cover of this worship folder.

Fill out the form on the back cover  
to tell us more about you.

### Worship at Grace

The service is printed in this worship folder.

Hymns are ordinarily in the  
green *Lutheran Book of Worship* (LBW)  
and blue *With One Voice* (WOV) hymnals.

Information is printed on the next page  
about additional resources for worship.

### Learn More

Today's insert contains announcements  
about ministries of Grace Church and School.

Learn more about Grace by visiting us  
online at [www.gracriverforest.org](http://www.gracriverforest.org).

### The Holy Communion

Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost  
November 17, 2024

10:00 a.m.

## **Welcome to Grace**

Welcome 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.

## **Children's Resources**

Activity bags, worship bulletins, and booster seats are available in the narthex and from the ushers.

## **Nursery Care**

The nursery is open and staffed 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.

## **Holy Communion**

The crucified and risen Christ is present in the bread and wine of Communion, 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.

## **Assistance in Worship**

For those who find it difficult to stand during any part of the service, please feel free to remain seated. 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.

## **Electronic Devices**

Please silence all cell phones and other electronic devices during worship. Thank you.

## **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.

## **Altar Flowers**

Flowers may be sponsored to celebrate a special occasion or to honor the memory of a loved one. Please see the front desk for details and to sign up.

## **As We Gather**

Throughout time people have read their own experiences into this apocalyptic literature from Mark. When have there not been wars and rumors of wars? Earthquakes and other natural disasters have always been prevalent on earth. The Roman Empire destroyed the temple in 70 AD. Stone on stone. The end of so much. And for us, endings abound. We face our own apocalyptic moments. We lose loved ones, dreams are dashed, hope seems to fall into the rubble of our lives. Things, people, and institutions that look so dependable seem to always buckle under the weight of our sin sick world. Jesus says, "do not be alarmed." How could he say that? He is making his way to the cross where the temple of his own body will be thrown down, broken under the boot of that same empire, his life is brought to an end. For Jesus that was just the beginning. Where dead ends stack up God is still working. Against all odds- there is still promise. Even for you, even for me.



# ✠ GATHERING ✠

**PRELUDE:** O God of Love, O King of Peace

Johann Gottfried Walther

*We stand.*

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P** In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just  
will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination*

**P** Most merciful God,

**C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,**

**by what we have done and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**

**we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will**

**and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

**P** In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us  
and, for his sake, God forgives us all our sins.

As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority,  
I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins,  
in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

ENTRANCE HYMN: O God of Love, O King of Peace

ELW #749

1 O God of love, O King of peace, make wars through -  
 2 Re - mem - ber, Lord, your works of old, the won - ders  
 3 Whom shall we trust but you, O Lord? Where rest but  
 4 Where saints and an - gels dwell a - bove all hearts are

out the world to cease; our greed and sin - ful wrath re - strain.  
 that our el - ders told; re - mem - ber not our sins' deep stain.  
 on your faith - ful word? None ev - er called on you in vain.  
 knit in ho - ly love; oh, bind us in that heav'n - ly chain.

Give peace, O God, give peace a - gain.

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821-1877  
 Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

**APOSTOLIC GREETING**

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

## HYMN OF PRAISE: Glory to God in the Highest



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



♩ 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.

**G** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth.  
Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world,  
trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done  
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**G** **Amen.**

*We sit.*

## ✠ WORD ✠

### FIRST READING: Daniel 12:1–3

“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. <sup>2</sup>Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup>Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

**L** The Word of the Lord

**G** **Thanks be to God.**



ANTIPHON: In your presence is fullness of joy.

- ℣ Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;\*  
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- ☩ **All my delight is upon the godly that are | in the land,\*  
upon those who are noble among the people.**
- ℣ But those who run after | other gods\*  
shall have their troubles | multiplied.
- ☩ **Their libations of blood I | will not offer,\*  
nor take the names of their gods up- | on my lips.**
- ℣ O Lord, you are my portion | and my cup;\*  
it is you who uphold | hold my lot.
- ☩ **My boundaries enclose a | pleasant land;\*  
indeed, I have a | goodly heritage.**
- ℣ I will bless the Lord who | gives me counsel;\*  
my heart teaches me night | after night.
- ☩ **I have set the Lord al- | ways before me;\*  
because he is at my right hand, I | shall not fall.**
- ℣ My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit | rejoices;\*  
my body also shall | rest in hope.
- ☩ **For you will not abandon me | to the grave,\*  
nor let your holy one | see the pit.**
- ℣ You will show me the | path of life;\*  
in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
and in your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.



## SECOND READING: Hebrews 10:11–25

And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. <sup>12</sup>But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," <sup>13</sup>and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." <sup>14</sup>For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. <sup>15</sup>And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

<sup>16</sup>"This is the covenant that I will make with them  
after those days, says the Lord:

I will put my laws in their hearts,  
and I will write them on their minds,"

<sup>17</sup>he also adds,

"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

<sup>18</sup>Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

<sup>19</sup>Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup>by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), <sup>21</sup>and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup>let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup>Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup>And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup>not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**G** **Thanks be to God.**

*We stand.*

**GOSPEL VERSE:** Luke 28:36

Carl F. Schalk

**Choir** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**G** **REFRAIN** (*below*)



**Choir** Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength  
to stand before the Son of Man.

**G** **REFRAIN**

## HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 13:1–8

📖 The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

### 🔊 **Glory to you, O Lord.**

As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" <sup>2</sup>Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

<sup>3</sup>When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup>"Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" <sup>5</sup>Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. <sup>6</sup>Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. <sup>7</sup>When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. <sup>8</sup>For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs."

📖 The Gospel of the Lord.

### 🔊 **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*We sit.*

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

**SERMON:** Hope In The End

Pastor Troy E. Medlin  
Mark 13:1–8

*We stand.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** All My Hope on God is Founded

*(blue)* **WOV #782**

*Stanza three is sung by the choir in a harmonization by David Brackley.*



## 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:** All My Hope on God Is Founded

Michael Burkhardt

*We stand as the gifts are presented.*

**OFFERTORY VERSE:** Revelation 11:17; 14:7

Donald Busarow

We give you thanks, Lord God Almighty, who is and who was,  
that you have taken your great power and begun to reign.  
Fear God and give him glory, for the hour of judgment has come;  
and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the fountains of water.

**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 Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal: surrounded by evil and bordered by death we appeal to you, our Sovereign, our Wisdom, and our Judge.

We praise you for Christ, who proclaimed your reign of peace and promised an end to injustice and harm.

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

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

Remembering, therefore,  
the sacrifice of his life and death  
and the victory of his resurrection,  
we await with all the saints  
his loving redemption of our suffering world.

Send your Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine  
and on all who share in the body and blood of your Son:  
teach us your mercy and justice,  
and make all things new in Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,  
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,  
in your holy Church,  
both now and forever.

☩ **Amen.**

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

☩ **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.**

☐ The gifts of God for the people of God.

☑ **Thanks be to God.**

☐ 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

### ANTHEM: As the Dark Awaits the Dawn

Carl F. Schalk

As the dark awaits the dawn, so we await your light.  
O Star of promise, scatter night, loving bright, till shades of fear are gone.

As the blue expectant hour before the silvering skies,  
We long to see your day arise, whole and wise, O lucent Morning Star.

As the moon reflects the sun until the night's decrease,  
May we your healing light release, living peace, unto your holy dawn.

Shine your future on this place, enlighten every guest,  
That through us stream your holiness, bright and blest; come dawn, O Sun of grace.

Susan Palo Cherwien

### HYMN: All Who Love and Serve Your City

ELW #724



1 All who love and serve your cit - y, all who  
2 In your day of loss and sor - row, in your  
3 In your day of wealth and plen - ty, wast - ed  
4 For all days are days of judg - ment, and the  
5 Ris - en Lord, shall yet the cit - y be the



bear its dai - ly stress, all who cry for peace and  
day of help - less strife, hon - or, peace, and love re -  
work and wast - ed play, call to mind the word of  
Lord is wait - ing still, draw - ing near a world that  
cit - y of de - spair? Come to - day, our judge, our



jus - tice, all who curse and all who bless,  
treat - ing, seek the Lord, who is your life.  
Je - sus, "You must work while it is day."  
spurns him, of - f'ring peace from Cal - v'ry's hill.  
glo - ry. Be its name "The Lord is there!"

Text: Erik Routley, 1917-1982

Music: NEW ORLEANS, Paul D. Weber, b. 1949

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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.

**G** **Amen.**

## ✠ SENDING ✠

### BENEDICTION

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

**G** **Amen.**

### SENDING HYMN: Jesus, Still Lead On

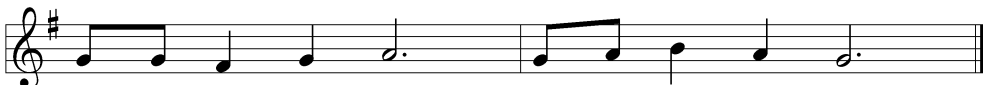
*(green)* **LBW #341**



1 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; and, al - though the  
2 If the way be drear, if the foe be near, let no faith - less  
3 When we seek re - lief from a long - felt grief, when temp - ta - tions  
4 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; heav'n - ly lead - er,



way be cheer - less, we will fol - low, calm and fear - less;  
fears o'er - take us, let not faith and hope for - sake us;  
come al - lur - ing make us pa - tient and en - dur - ing;  
still di - rect us, still sup - port, con - sole, pro - tect us,



guide us by your hand to our Fa - ther's land.  
safe - ly past the foe to our home we go.  
show us that bright shore where we weep no more.  
till we safe - ly stand in our Fa - ther's land.

## DISMISSAL

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

**G** **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE:** Jesus, Still Lead On

Paul Manz

## LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. David R. Lyle, presiding minister

The Rev. Troy E. Medlin, preaching minister

Christine Nelson, assisting minister

Jo-Ellyn Dorsey Swanson, deacon

Grace Parish Choir, choir

The Rev. Michael D. Costello, cantor

Mary Beth Logas, Deborah Maxwell, lectors

Emily Nichols, Annelise Walsh, crucifer/Book bearer

Kathryn Jandeska, Susan Weber, gift bearers

Richard Calhoun, Thomas Ewert, Mike Gillespie, Susan Scherer, ushers

Roberta Gillespie, Deborah Stonich, altar guild

Scott Street, Avery Tan, Allison Tan, greeters

Liz Hanson, Al Swanson, livestream audio/video

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## LET US PRAY...

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Harry Heppner ( <i>brother-in-law of Marilyn Heppner</i> )		Chris and Sue Swanson ( <i>cousins of Al Swanson</i> )	
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Claudia Kraft ( <i>friend of Marilyn Moehlenkamp</i> )			

## Benevolence ministries

Harmony Community Church of Chicago Food Pantry

## In thanksgiving for

The 97<sup>th</sup> birthday of **Evelyn Grams**

## For those who mourn

**Mike Berg**

**James and Susan Bachman** (*parents of Katherine Keberlein*)

## Those serving in the armed services

Jacob Benson (*great-nephew of Eunice Spurgat*)

Kevin Buss (*nephew of Christa Krout*)

Matthew Garmatz (*grandson of Margaret Garmatz*)

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

John Kibler (*son of April Kibler*)

Zachary Larsen (*grandson of Karen and Richard McMahon*)

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

Miles Powell (*grandson of Bob and Bonnie Shaner*)

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 studying abroad

Isabella Staples (*The Netherlands*)

## Those who are homebound

Jayne Chilton

Dave Moeller

Christopher Davis

Tim Sandvoss

David Franzone

Pat Scala

Joan Koerber

Kathleen Wrobel

Karen McMahon

## Those who need encouragement

Cheryl Luchetta (*friend of Joan Koerber*) in Logan Correctional Center

*Prayer requests can be made through the church office. Contact Esther Armstrong ([earmstrong@gracriverforest.org](mailto:earmstrong@gracriverforest.org)) to be included in the weekly prayers. For more private prayer concerns, please contact Kathy Lucht ([kathy.lucht@gmail.com](mailto:kathy.lucht@gmail.com)) to be added to the confidential prayer chain.*

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# THIS WEEK AT GRACE

## TODAY, NOVEMBER 17

**Grace Gathers** (Fellowship Hall) ..... **8:45 a.m.**  
Library Open (self-service)..... **9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**  
Book Study (Fellowship Hall) ..... **9:00 a.m.**  
Faith Formation PK-SK (Nursery)..... **9:00 a.m.**  
Faith Formation Gr 1-6 (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Commons) ..... **9:00 a.m.**  
Confirmation, Gr 7&8 (School Library) ..... **9:00 a.m.**  
**Worship – Holy Communion** ..... **10:00 a.m.**  
Confirmand (Gr 8)/Mentor Sunday (School Library) ..... **11:15 a.m.**  
GriefShare Surviving the Holidays (Offsite)..... **12:00 p.m.**

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Knitting Group (Church Library)..... **1:00 p.m.**  
Church Council (Conference Room) ..... **7:30 p.m.**

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

**School Chapel Service** ..... **8:25 a.m.**  
Cornerstones Bible Study (Church Library) ..... **10:00 a.m.**  
**Worship – Morning Prayer** (Church Library)..... **11:30 a.m.**  
Cornerstones Lunch (Fellowship Hall)..... **12:00 p.m.**  
Cub Scouts (1-2 Common Room) ..... **5:00 p.m.**  
No Parish Choir Rehearsal

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Grace Notes Mailing Crew (Church Library)..... **9:30 a.m.**  
Grief Share (Conference Room) ..... **10:00 a.m.**  
Yoga (Fellowship Hall)..... **6:30 p.m.**  
Moms of Littles (1902 Room) ..... **6:30 p.m.**  
Boy Scouts (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Commons)..... **7:00 p.m.**  
Justice and Peace Committee (Conference Room)..... **7:30 p.m.**  
Women’s Choir Rehearsal (Music Room) ..... **7:30 p.m.**

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Young Adult Theology on Tap (Offsite) ..... **7:00 p.m.**

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Barkenquast Visitation (Atrium)..... **10:00 a.m.**  
**Memorial Service for Jim Barkenquast** (Sanctuary) ..... **11:00 a.m.**  
Barkenquast luncheon (Fellowship Hall) ..... **12:00 p.m.**  
Kontras Quartet Recital (Sanctuary)..... **7:30 p.m.**

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We are glad that you are worshipping with us!

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