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.graceriverforest.org.

The Holy Communion

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 27, 2025

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
Today's flowers are sponsored by Jane Andrew in memory of Russell and Mary Ellen Andrew.

We Gather
How are we to pray? This is a question that was answered for many of us, at least in part, during our childhood. At meal times, we learned to pray, "Come, Lord Jesus." At the close of the day, many of us pray, "Now I lay me down to sleep." But no prayer is more common to the Christian life than the prayer taught to us by Christ himself. We are, first, invited to see ourselves as God's children. We are then invited to make four requests, praying for the kingdom to come, daily bread, forgiveness, for deliverance. What else could we need? In this world of want, God reminds us that we are welcome to bring our urgent requests to God, even and especially when it seems God is not listening! Finally, we are reminded of what the shamelessly persistent God has already done for us. For in Christ, crucified and risen, we find the kingdom, daily bread, forgiveness, and deliverance. Gifts given to us already, today.



✢ GATHERING ✢

PRELUDE: Sonata in D minor, Op. 65, No. 6 — Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy
(Our Father, God in Heaven Above)

Choral
Andante sostenuto
Allegro molto

We stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

℗ In the name of the Father, and of the ✢ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

℃ **Amen.**

℗ 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.

℃ **Amen.**

℗ 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

℗ Most merciful God,
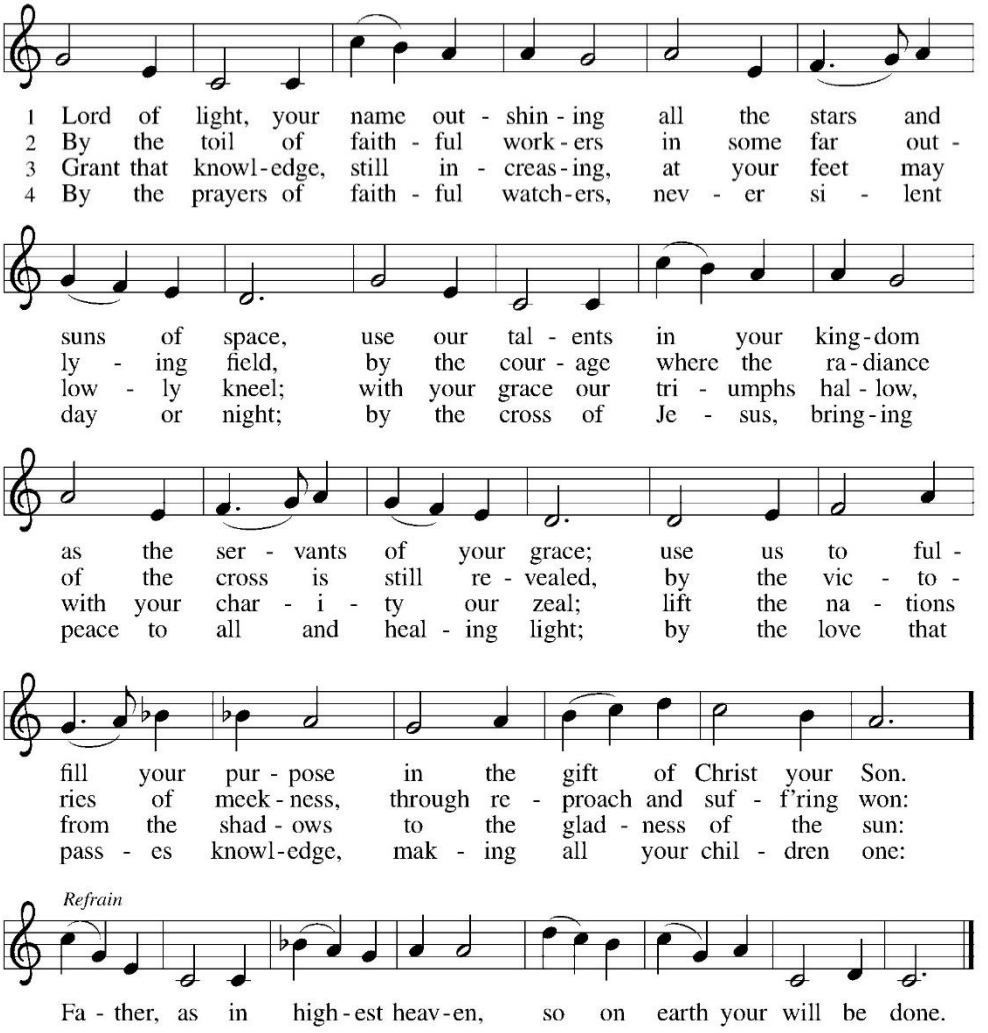
℃ **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus 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.**

℗ 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.

℃ **Amen.**

We face the cross in procession.

ENTRANCE HYMN: Lord of Light *(green)* **LBW #405**
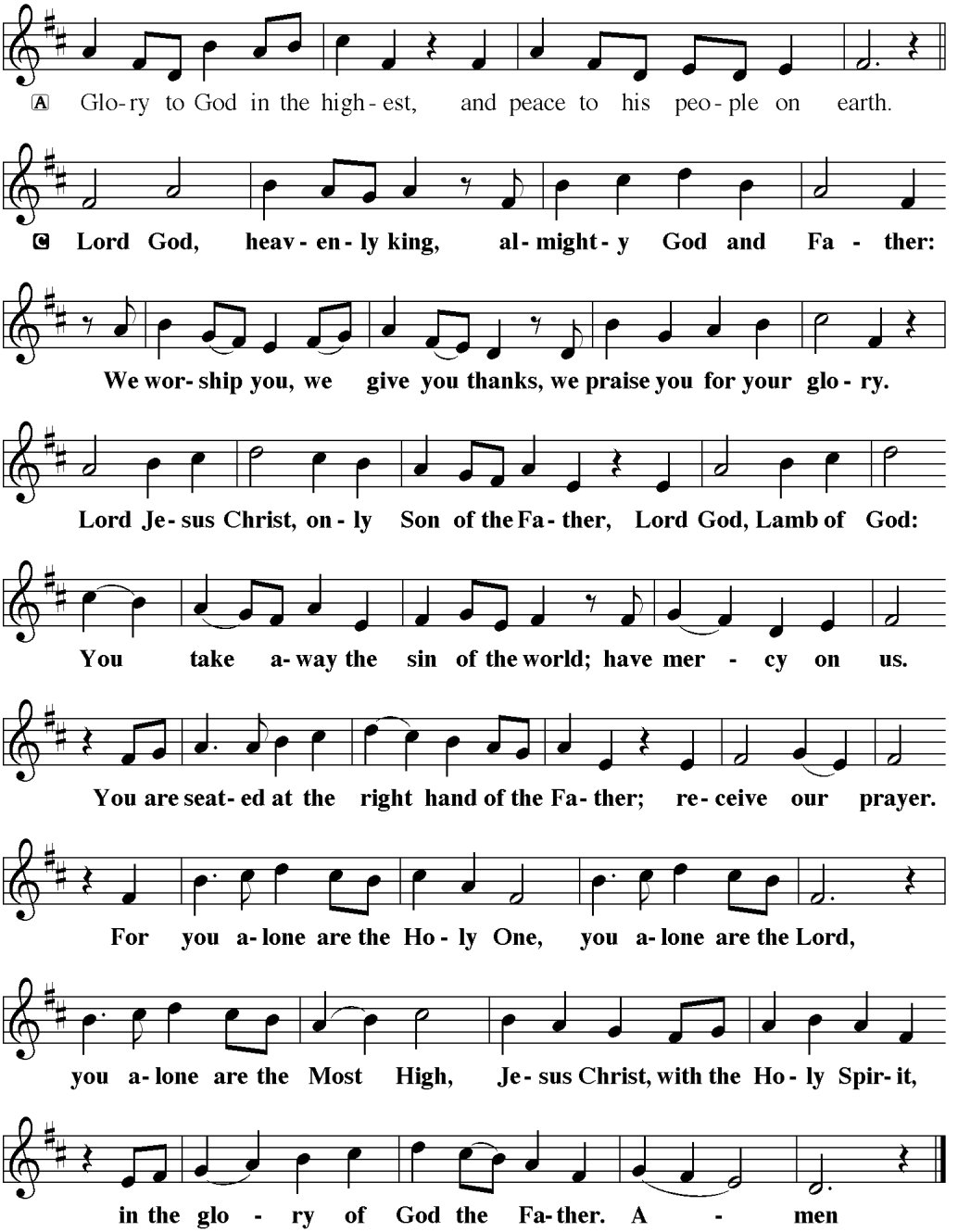


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APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

℃ **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Almighty and ever-living God,
you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray,
and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve.
Pour upon us your abundant mercy.
Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience,
and give us those good things that come only through your Son,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

We sit.

✢ WORD ✢

FIRST READING: Genesis 18:20–32

Then the Lord said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their
sin! 21I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has
come to me; and if not, I will know."

22So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing
before the Lord. 23Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous
with the wicked? 24Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the
place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? 25Far be it from you to do such a thing,
to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you!
Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" 26And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty
righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." 27Abraham answered, "Let me take
it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes.28Suppose five of the fifty righteous
are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find
forty-five there." 29Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the
sake of forty I will not do it." 30Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose
thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." 31He said, "Let me take it
upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of
twenty I will not destroy it." 32Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once
more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 138 Michael D. Costelo

ANTIPHON: I will bow down toward your holy temple.

L I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with | my whole heart;*
before the gods I will | sing your praise.

C **I will bow down toward your holy temple and | praise your name,***
because of your | love and faithfulness;

L for you have glori- | fied your name*
and your word a- | bove all things.

C **When I called, you | answered me;***
you increased my | strength within me.

L All the kings of the earth will praise | you, O Lord,*
when they have heard the words | of your mouth.

C **They will sing of the ways | of the Lord,***
that great is the glory | of the Lord.

L Though the Lord be high, he cares | for the lowly;*
he perceives the haughty | from afar.

C **Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you | keep me safe;***
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right | hand shall save me.

L The Lord will make good his pur- | pose for me;*
O Lord, your love endures forever;
do not abandon the works | of your hands.



SECOND READING: Colossians 2:6–19

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, [7]rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

[8]See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. [9]For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, [10]and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. [11]In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; [12]when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. [13]And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, [14]erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. [15]He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

[16]Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. [17]These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ.[18]Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, [19]and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

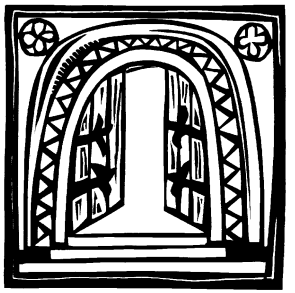
L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

We stand.

GOSPEL VERSE: Luke 11:9 Michael D. Costello

Alleluia. Ask and it will be given you; search, and you will find;
knock, and the door will be opened to you. Alleluia.



HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 11:1–13

℗ The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eleventh chapter.

℣ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."[2]He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come.
[3]Give us each day our daily bread.
[4]And forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.
And do not bring us to the time of trial."

[5]And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; [6]for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' [7]And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' [8]I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

[9]"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. [10]For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. [11]Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? [12]Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? [13]If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

℗ The Gospel of the Lord.

℣ **Praise to you, O Christ.**
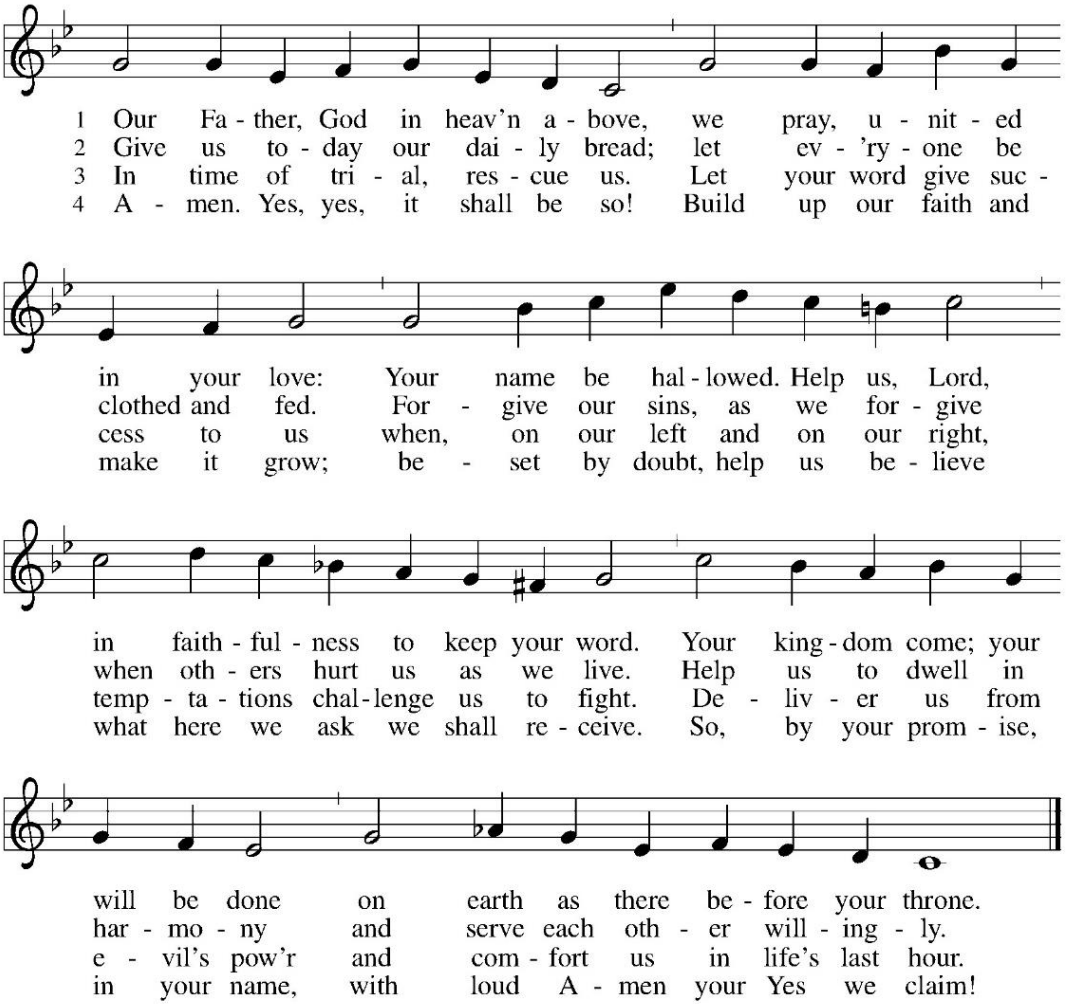
We sit.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON: Shameless Persistence — David R. Lyle
Luke 11:1–13

We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY: Our Father, God in Heaven Above **ELW #746**



Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546, abridged; tr. hymnal version
Music: VATER UNSER, V. Schumann, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1539
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APOSTLES' CREED

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

☪ **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.

We stand.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each petition concludes:

Ⓐ Lord, in your mercy,

☪ **hear our prayer.**

The prayers conclude:

℗ Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
Trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

☪ **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.

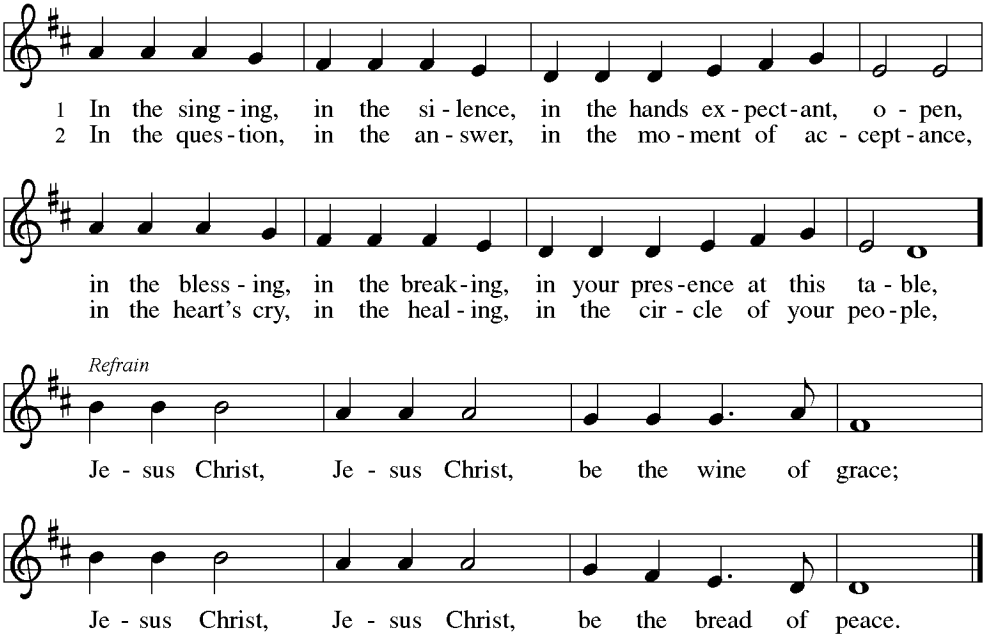
We sit.

OFFERING/VOLUNTARY

Finale (from Sonata in D minor, Op. 65, No. 6) Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy

We stand as the gifts are presented.

OFFERTORY HYMN: In the Singing **ELW #466**



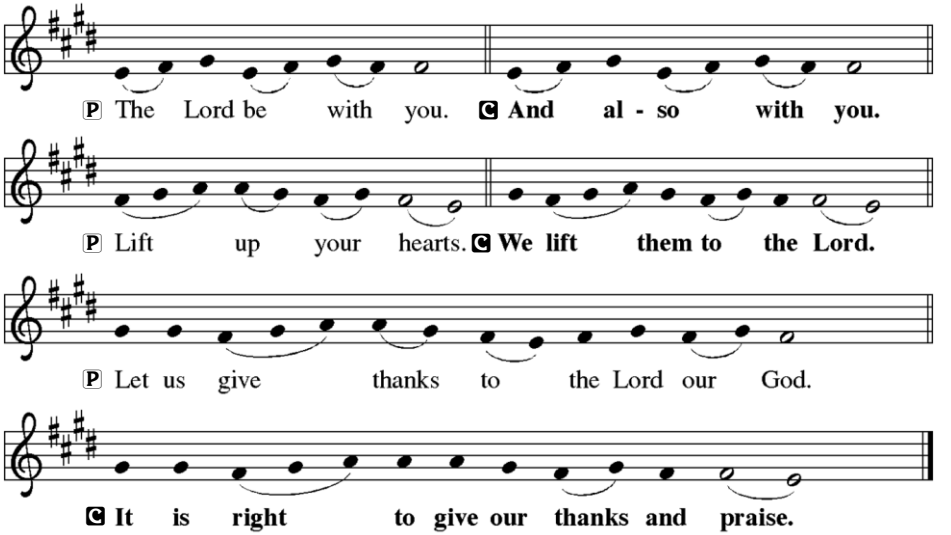
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OFFERTORY PRAYER

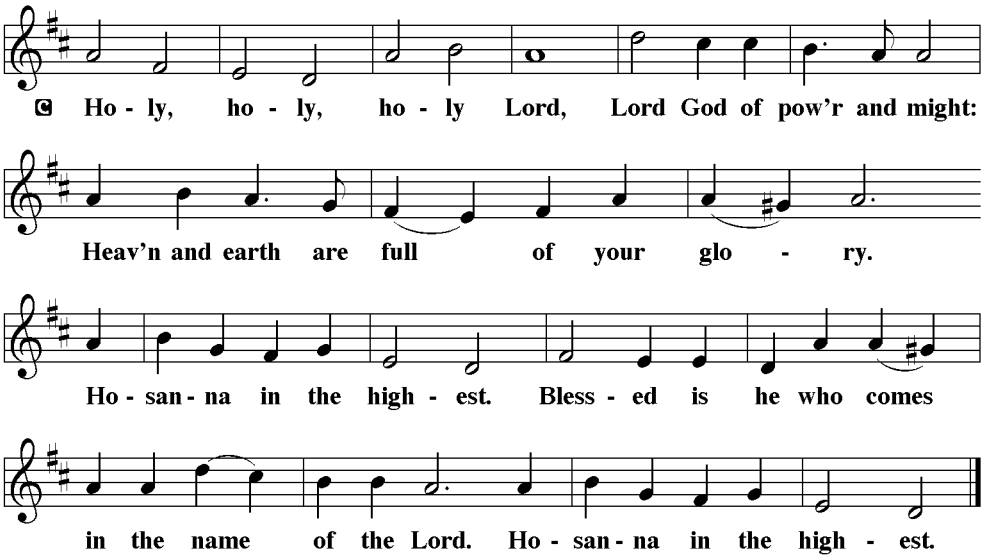
A Let us pray. Merciful Father,

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 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:



P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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

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

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C **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.

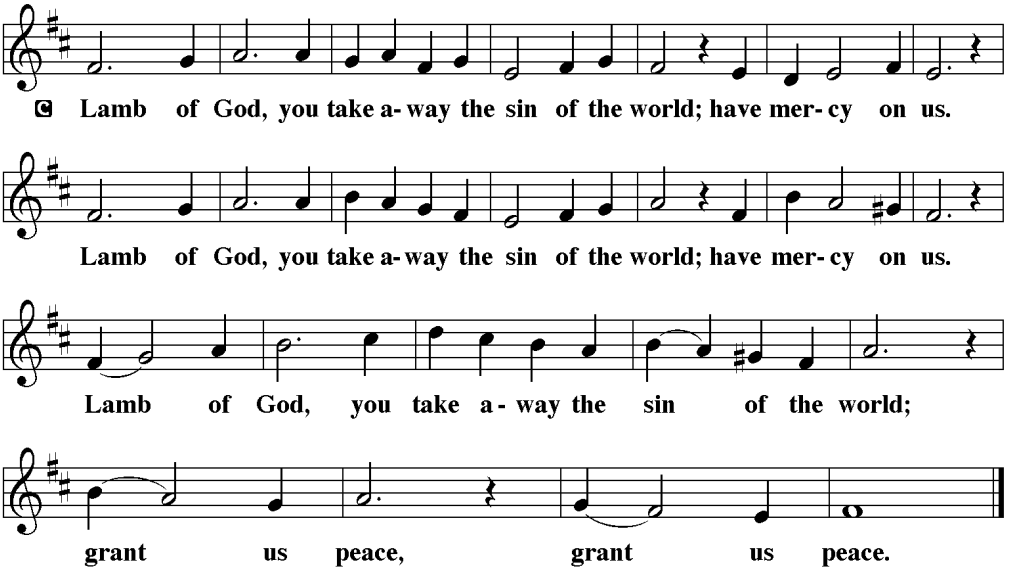
℗ The gifts of God for the people of God.

℣ **Thanks be to God.**

℗ Come, for all is now ready

We sit.

AGNUS DEI



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
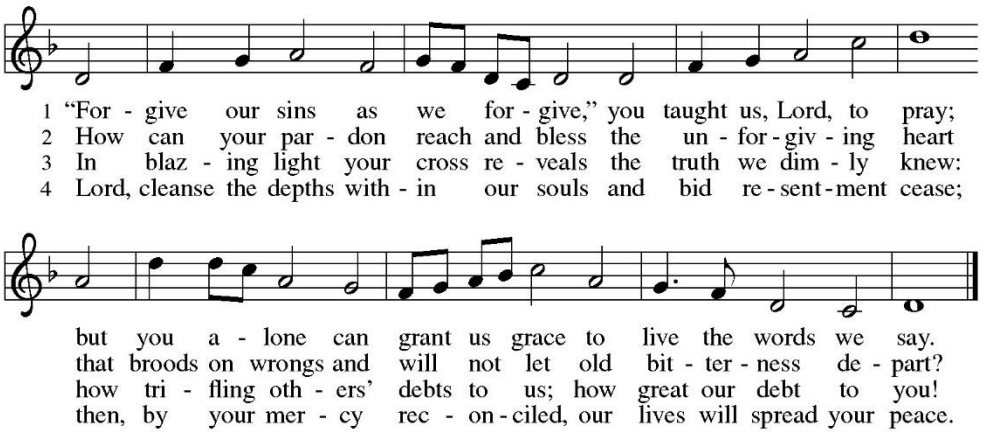
ANTHEM: All My Spirit Longs to Savor — George Frideric Handel

All my spirit longs to savor, dearest friend, your grace and favor.
Oh, how deeply do I cherish this rich food; how well you nourish!
All my heart with hope is glowing for this cup of life o'erflowing.
All my flesh and blood, delighted is by God with God united.

Jesus, source of lasting pleasure, truest friend and dearest treasure,
Peace beyond all understanding, joy into all life expanding:
Humbly now, I bow before you, Love incarnate, I adore you;
Worthily let me receive you, and, so favored, never leave you.

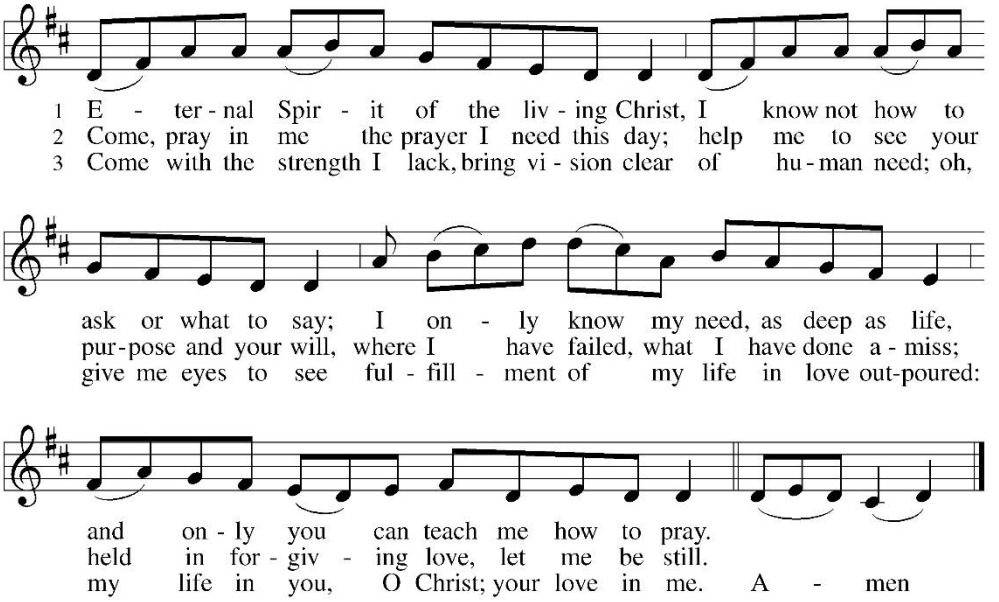
Johann Franck; tr. Martin A. Seltz and *Lutheran Book of Worship*

HYMN: Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive — *(green)* **LBW #307**



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Music: DETROIT, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844
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HYMN: Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ *(green)* **LBW #441**



Text: Frank von Christierson, b. 1900
Music: ADORO TE DEVOTE, *Processionale*, Paris, 1697

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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.**
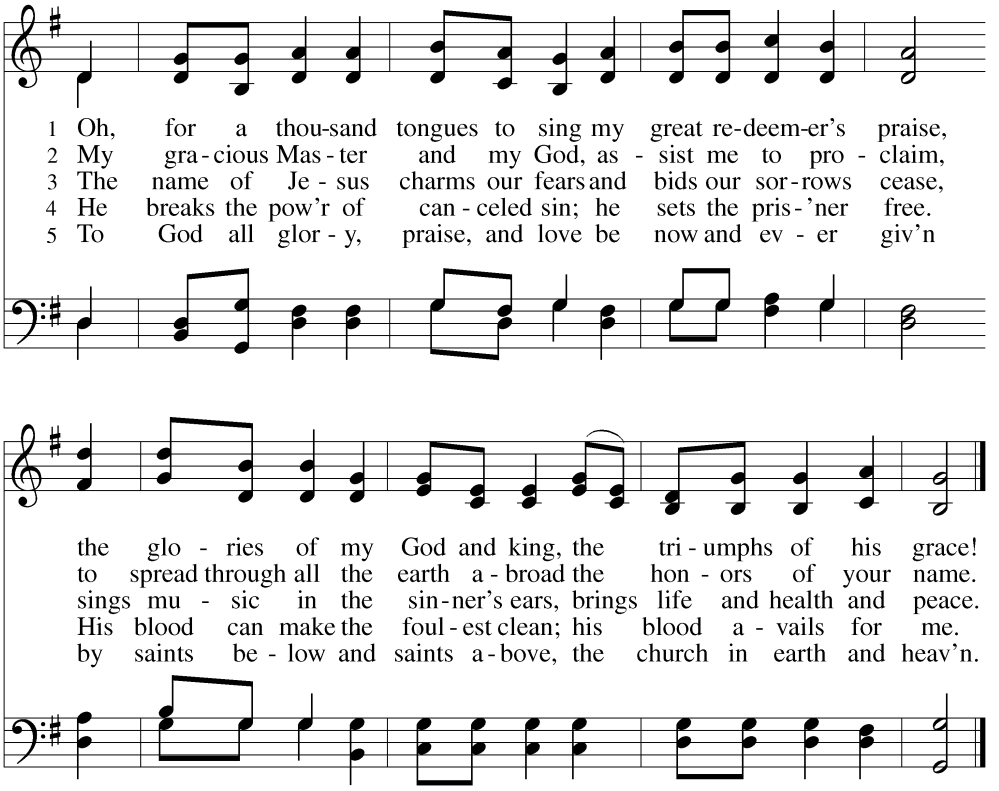
✢ Sending ✢

Benediction

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

C **Amen.**

Sending Hymn: Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing *(green)* **LBW #559**



Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.
Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

Dismissal

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Fuga (from Sonata in D minor, Op. 65, No. 6) Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. David R. Lyle, presiding minister
Rebecca Dahlstrom, assisting minister
Val Spiller, deacon

Grace Parish Choir, choir
The Rev. Michael D. Costello, cantor

David Simpson, Gwen Gotsch, lectors
Will Engebretson, Faith Greig, crucifer/book bearer
Larry Caponigri, Kathryn Jandeska, gift bearers
Eliza Grahnke, Paul Koester, Scott Schwar, Lance Wilkening, Stephanie Wilkening, ushers
Liz Hanson, Donna Serpico, altar guild
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Elaine Kruse *(sister of Margaret Kruse and Roberta Gillespie)*
Dorothy Kubala *(mother of Cindy Rohlfing and Lori Marchi)*
Carol Laesch *(niece of Eunice Spurgat)*
Diane Larsen *(friend of Al Swanson)*
Cordy and Mike MacDonald *(friends of Jen Murtoff)*
Drake Martinez *(student of Deb Maxwell)*
Kathy Maxwell *(cousin of Deb and Tom Maxwell)*
Connie Melvin *(cousin of Stephanie Wilkening)*
Mary Moehlenkamp *(sister-in-law of Marilyn Moehlenkamp)*
Margaret Murphy *(mother of John Murphy)*
Monika Nash *(daughter of Verna Offermann)*
Dwight and Betty Nelson *(parents of Annalise Nelson Balock)*
Karen Nelson *(niece of Eunice Spurgat)*
Gloria Nuechterlein *(sister-in-law of Eunice Spurgat)*
John Pecoraro *(cousin of Susan Hickey)*
James Powers *(friend of Al Swanson)*
Susan Prather *(cousin of Adrienne and Ronald Rott)*
Diane Raschal *(cousin of Jennifer Staples)*
Marianne Ruff *(mother of Karen Murphy)*
Sam Schlosser *(relative of Susan Scherer)*
Michael Silha *(friend of Carolyn and Larry Garber)*
Stacy and Mark *(friends of Case and Pat Hoogendoorn)*
Nancy Stelling *(friend of Pastor Phyllis Kersten)*
Chris and Sue Swanson *(cousins of Al Swanson)*
Jennifer Sylvester *(daughter of Janet Sylvester)*
Eleanor Teglia *(granddaughter Art Gustafson)*
Chris Thannum *(cousin of Chrissy Nelson)*
Gaylord Thomas *(friend of Ruth and Karl Reko)*
Mary Lou Wagoner *(sister-in-law of Stan Reddel)*
Dave Wick *(friend of Jennifer Staples)*
Tara Zinger *(friend of Jennifer Staples)*

Benevolence ministries

Beyond Hunger (OPRF Food Pantry)

In thanksgiving for

The Appalachian Service Project Team
The service and witness of **Pat Anderson** to Housing Forward and for their planned **Anderson Emergency Shelter**
Maeve Marie Reddel *(adopted daughter of Mark Reddel and Kate Moore, granddaughter of Stan and Paulette Reddel)*
Theodore Jude Marchi *(son born to Ben and Jillian Marchi, grandson of Lou and Lori Marchi)*
The 92nd birthday of **Miriam Bretscher**
The 91st birthday of **Marilyn Fall**

Those serving in the armed services

Kevin Buss *(nephew of Christa Krout)*
Josh Espinosa *(cousin of Jenny Luebbe)*
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)*
Christopher W. Sylvester *(grandson of Janet Sylvester)*

Those studying abroad

Isabella Staples *(The Netherlands)*

Those who are homebound

Jayne Chilton
Christopher Davis
David Franzone
Joan Koerber
Karen McMahon
Dave Moeller
Carol Prinz
Tim Sandvoss
Kathleen Wrobel

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@graceriverforest.org) to be included in the weekly prayers. For more private prayer concerns, please contact Kathy Lucht (kathy.lucht@gmail.com) to be added to the confidential prayer chain.

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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY, JULY 27
Library Open (self-service) ..... **9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**
Worship – Holy Communion ..... **10:00 a.m.**
Grace Coffee Hour (Atrium) ..... **11:15 a.m.**

MONDAY, JULY 28
Dads of Grace (Offsite) ..... **7:30 p.m.**

TUESDAY, JULY 29
Sounds Good Summer Rocks Concert (Sanctuary) ..... **7:00 p.m.**

THURSDAY, JULY 31
Grace Notes Mailing Crew (Church Library) ..... **9:30 a.m.**

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