



Welcome to

Grace Lutheran Church and School

Called by Christ, we grow in grace,
live with love, and go to serve.



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 LBW and
blue 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 graceriverforest.org.

The Holy Communion

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost
October 18, 2026

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 grow in grace, live with love, and go to serve. Should you have no church home, you are invited to consider Grace. We encourage you to fill out the 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 in loving memory of Miriam and Manuel Bretscher by their children.

As We Gather

Today, we celebrate the rite of Affirmation of Baptism in the lives of ten of our young people. Standing before us, they will renounce the forces of evil and confess their faith in the Triune God. They will make promises and, knowing that the promises are awfully big, will ask God to help and guide them. But before they make their promises to God, we hear again of God's promise to them. It shows up in a surprising place, in the middle of an argument about taxes and power, both political and religious. A coin is taken out; whose image is upon it? Since it shows Caesar, Caesar can have it. But put the coin away and look at yourself. Whose image is upon you? With our ten confirmands, we are reminded of the profound truth that we are not our own. We are made in God's image and for God's purposes. Today, with our young people, we rest in God's promise and hear again God's call to give to Caesar no more than he is due in this world that belongs to God alone.

Grace School in Worship

Students from the third and fourth grade at Grace Lutheran School are singing in this morning's worship service. Music is an important part of the curriculum at Grace. Students learn about God's care for them through the words they sing, and they express their love and joy through music and song. Grace serves a diverse student body, educating and caring for children in preschool through eighth grade.



✠ GATHERING ✠

PRELUDE: God of Grace and God of Glory

Michael D. Costello

We stand.

ENTRANCE HYMN: God of Grace and God of Glory

(green) **LBW #415**



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
 2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -
 [Choir] 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion



bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969

Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

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.

G And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE:



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



G 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.

Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts.
Created by you, let us live in your image;
created for you, let us act for your glory;
redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

G Amen.

We sit.

ANTHEM: Not One Sparrow Is Forgotten

Maureen Howell

Not one sparrow is forgotten,
E'en the raven, God will feed:
And the lily of the valley
From God's bounty hath its need.

Then shall I not trust thee, Father,
In thy mercy have a share?
And through faith and prayer, my Mother,
Know thy protecting care?

This is my Father's world;
The birds their carols raise;
The morning light, the lily white,
Declare their maker's praise.

Shaker Hymn, incorporating "This Is My Father's World"
Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858–1901

✝ WORD ✝

FIRST READING: Isaiah 45:1–7

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped
to subdue nations before him
and strip kings of their robes,
to open doors before him —
and the gates shall not be closed:

²I will go before you

and level the mountains,

I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron,

³I will give you the treasures of darkness
and riches hidden in secret places,

so that you may know that it is I, the LORD,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

⁴For the sake of my servant Jacob,
and Israel my chosen,

I call you by your name,

I surname you, though you do not know me.

⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other;
besides me there is no god.

I arm you, though you do not know me,

⁶so that they may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;
I am the LORD, and there is no other.

⁷I form light and create darkness,

I make weal and create woe;

I the LORD do all these things.

L The Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

ANTIPHON: Ascribe to the Lord honor and power.

- L Sing to the Lord | a new song;*
 sing to the Lord, all | the whole earth.
- C **Sing to the Lord and | bless his name;***
proclaim the good news of his salvation from | day to day.
- L Declare his glory a- | mong the nations*
 and his wonders a- | mong all peoples.
- C **For great is the Lord and greatly | to be praised;***
he is more to be feared | than all gods.
- L As for all the gods of the nations, they | are but idols;*
 but it is the Lord who | made the heavens.
- C **Oh, the majesty and magnificence | of his presence!***
Oh, the power and the splendor of his | sanctuary!
- L Ascribe to the Lord, you families | of the peoples;*
 ascribe to the Lord hon- | or and power.
- C **Ascribe to the Lord the honor | due his name;***
bring offerings and come in- | to his courts.
- L Worship the Lord in the beau- | ty of holiness;*
 let the whole earth trem- | ble before him.
- C **Tell it out among the nations: "The | Lord is king!***
He has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved;
he will judge the peo- | ples with equity."
- L Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad;
 let the sea thunder and all | that is in it;*
 let the field be joyful and all that | is therein.
- C **Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy**
before the Lord | when he comes,*
when he comes to | judge the earth.
- L He will judge the | world with righteousness*
 and the peoples | with his truth.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 1:1–10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:
Grace to you and peace.

²We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead — Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

L The Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

We stand.

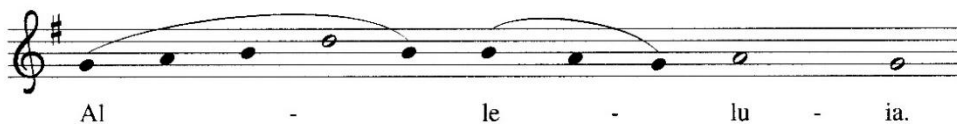
GOSPEL VERSE: Philippians 2:15, 16

Carl F. Schalk

We join in singing:

Choir Alleluia.

G **REFRAIN** (*below*)



Choir Shine like stars in the world;
holding fast to the word of life. Alleluia.

G **REFRAIN**

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:15–22

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

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

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" ²¹They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

We sit.

SERMON: Indelible Images

Pastor David R. Lyle
Matthew 22:15–22



HYMN: Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good

(green) **LBW #542**

Stanza three is sung by the choir in a harmonization by Paul Bunjes.



1 Sing praise to God, the high - est good, the au - thor of cre -
2 What God's al - might - y pow'r has made, in mer - cy he is
Choir 3 We sought the Lord in our dis - tress; O God, in mer - cy
4 Let all who name Christ's ho - ly name give God the praise and



a - tion, the God of love who un - der - stood our need for
keep - ing; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade, his eye is
hear us. Our Sav - ior saw our help - less - ness and came with
glo - ry. Let all who know his pow'r pro - claim a - loud the



his sal - va - tion. With heal - ing balm our souls he fills
nev - er sleep - ing; with - in the king - dom of his might
peace to cheer us. For this we thank and praise the Lord
won - drous sto - ry. Cast ev - 'ry i - dol from its throne,



and ev - 'ry faith - less mur - mur stills:
all things are just and good and right: to God all praise and glo - ry!
who is by one and all a - dored:
for God is God, and he a - lone:

Text: Johann J. Schütz, 1640–1690; tr. Frances E. Cox, 1812–1897, adapt.
Music: LOBT GOTT DEN HERREN, IHR, Melchior Vulpinus, c. 1560–1615

We sit.

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

P Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these people, one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism.

L I present these children of God who desire to make public affirmation of their baptism:

Will Harlan Engebretson
Mae Rycenga Hutton
Anders Kristian Lyle
Mikey Owen Starrick
Annelise Linden Walsh
Jack Alexander Williams
Avery Joseph Seing Tan
Grace Elizabeth Murphy
Norah Jane Lewis
Angelina Athena Guzman

P Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

C Amen.

P I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

P Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

R I renounce them.

P Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

R I renounce them.

P Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

R I renounce them.

We stand.

P Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C **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.**

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C **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.**

P You have made public profession of your faith.

Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:
to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

R I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

P People of God, do you promise to support these sisters and brothers and pray for them in their life in Christ?

C **We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

P Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God,
that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth,
cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

Stir up in your people the gift of your Holy Spirit:

the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,
the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C **Amen.**

We sit.

Confirmands come forward to the communion rail and kneel.

*Parents, grandparents, baptismal sponsors, mentors, and siblings
are invited forward for the laying on of hands. A Bible verse for each individual is read.*

P Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake,
stir up in *name* the gift of your Holy Spirit;
confirm *her/his* faith,
guide *her/his* life,
empower *her/him* in *her/his* serving,
give *her/him* patience in suffering,
and bring *her/him* to everlasting life.

C **Amen.**

After all are confirmed, we stand.

P Let us rejoice with these sisters and brothers in Christ.

C **We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.**

**Together we will give thanks and praise to God
and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each petition concludes:

- A** Lord, in your mercy,
G **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.
G **Amen.**

✠ MEAL ✠

PEACE OF CHRIST

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

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

We sit.

OFFERING/ANTHEM: Yism'chu Hashamayim

Chassidic

Yism'chu hashamayim, v'tageil haaretz.

Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice.

Yiram hayam um'lo.

Let the sea roar and all that fills it.

OFFERTORY VERSE: 1 Corinthians 10:16–17

Donald Busarow

The cup of blessing which we bless is a participation in the blood of Christ.

The bread which we break is a participation in the body of Christ.

Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body,
for we all partake of the one bread.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A** Let us pray. Merciful Father,
G **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:



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



Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

☐ Holy God,
our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food,
you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life,
and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.

You sent your Son to eat with sinners
and to become food for the world.

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 life given for us
and his rising from the grave,
we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal:
strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want,
and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

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

☑ **Amen.**

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.

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 Things Are Yours, My God

Carl F. Schalk

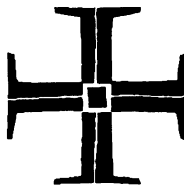
All things are yours, my God, creator of all that exists,
All wisdom, all beauty, and might.
You made me, you own me, your glory surrounds me;
I live by your mercy and love. All things are yours, and so am I.

All things are yours, my Lord, Redeemer of all who have sinned,
New Master of all who repent.
You sought me, you found me, you call me, you lead me;
Now have me live only for you. All things are yours, and so am I.

All things are yours, my Guide, Renewer and Giver of life,
Transformer of hearts and of minds.
Renew me, transform me, inspire me, refine me,
And give me the spirit of Christ. All things are yours, and so am I.

"All things are yours, my child: so live like the heir that you are,
Entrusted with all that you have.
Be faithful, be prudent, be daring, be caring,
As giving as I am toward you. All things are yours, and you are mine."

Jaroslav Vajda



HYMN: How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

ELW #580



- 1 How clear is our vo - ca - tion, Lord, when once we heed your call
- 2 But if, for - get - ful, we should find your yoke is hard to bear;
- 3 We mar - vel how your saints be - come in hin - drance - es more sure;
- 4 In what you give us, Lord, to do, to - geth - er or a - lone,



to live ac - cord - ing to your word and dai - ly learn, re - freshed, re - stored,
if world - ly pres - sures fray the mind and love it - self can - not un - wind
whose joy - ful vir - tues put to shame the ca - sual way we wear your name,
in old rou - tines or ven - tures new, may we not cease to look to you,

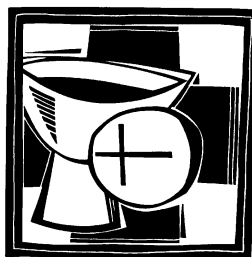


that you are Lord of all and will not let us fall.
its tan - gled skein of care: our in - ward life re - pair.
and by our faults ob - scure your pow'r to cleanse and cure.
the cross you hung up - on, all you en - deav - ored done.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: REPTON, C. Hubert H. Parry, 1848–1918

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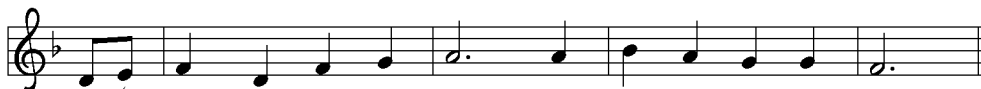




1 When our song says peace and the world says war, we will
 2 When our song says free and the world says bound, we will
 3 When our song says home and the world says lost, we will



sing de-spite the world. We will trust the song, for we sing of God,
 sing de-spite the world. We will trust the song, for we sing of God,
 sing de-spite the world. We will trust the song, for we sing of God,



who breaks the spear and sword and stills the storm of war.
 who o - pens pris - on doors and sets the cap - tives free.
 who brings us home at last, and gives a song to all.

Text: Richard Leach, b. 1953

Music: JENKINS, Thomas Pavlechko, b. 1962

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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.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN: All My Hope on God Is Founded

(blue) **WOV #782**

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



C 1. All my hope on God is found-ed who will all my trust re - new, who through

C 2. Mor - tal pride and earth-ly glo - ry, sword and crown be - tray our trust; what with

Choir 3. Great thy good-ness e'er en - dur - ing; deep thy wis - dom, pass - ing thought; splen - dor,

C 4. Still from earth to God e - ter - nal sac - ri - fice of praise be done, high a -



change and chance will guide me, on - ly good and on - ly true. God un -

care and toil we fash - ion, tow'r and tem - ple, fall to dust. But thy

light and life at - tend thee, beau - ty spring - ing out of nought. Ev - er -

bove all prais - es prais - ing for the gift of God's own Son. Christ shall



known, from thy throne call my heart to be thine own.

pow'r, hour by hour, is my tem - ple and my tow'r.

more from God's store new - born worlds rise and a - dore.

call one and all: you that fol - low shall not fall.

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MICHAEL
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A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: All My Hope on God Is Founded

Michael Burkhardt

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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY, OCTOBER 18

Library Open (self-service)..... **9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**
Adult Education (Seminar Room)..... **9:00 a.m.**
No Sunday School or Confirmation Class
Worship – Holy Communion **10:00 a.m.**
Adult Ed Calumet Heritage Field Trip (Offsite)..... **11:30 a.m.**

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

Lectures in Church Music Hymn Fest (Sanctuary)..... **7:30 p.m.**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

Breakfast Group (Church Library) **10:15 a.m.**
Knitting Group (Church Library) **1:00 p.m.**
Church Council (Conference Room) **7:30 p.m.**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

School Chapel Service **8:25 a.m.**
Cornerstones (Church Library)..... **10:00 a.m.**
Worship – Morning Prayer (Church Library)..... **11:30 p.m.**
Cornerstones Lunch (Fellowship Hall) **12:00 p.m.**
Cub Scout Pack 4066 (1-2 Common Room)..... **4:30 p.m.**
Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Bell Room)..... **6:00 p.m.**
Endowment Committee (Virtual) **7:00 p.m.**
Parish Choir Rehearsal (Music Room) **7:30 p.m.**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

Grace Notes Mailing Crew (Church Library)..... **9:30 a.m.**
GriefShare (Conference Room)..... **10:00 a.m.**
Yoga (Fellowship Hall)..... **6:00 p.m.**
Scouts Meetings (3rd Floor Commons)..... **6:30 p.m.**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

Young Adult Theology on Tap (Off-site)..... **7:00 p.m.**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

Men of Grace (Youth Center)..... **9:00 a.m.**

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