



WELCOME TO GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF LILY LAKE, IL

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Sunday, August 14th, 2022 * 9 AM * INPERSON and ONLINE



10th Sunday after Pentecost

Introduction

TODAY'S THEME: The word of God is a refining fire. Jesus is the great divide in human history. He invites our undivided attention and devotion. Today in worship we are surrounded by a great "cloud of witnesses." In the word and in holy communion we are invited yet again to look to Jesus, "the pioneer and perfecter of our faith."

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US FOR SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Print out your bulletin or use it on your phone or tablet to follow along.

Announcements are televised or found on our website

Be creative how you worship and remember God during this time. It will calm your soul, give you peace and enliven your spirit.

*Our community gathers in unity with others in-person and a virtual way.
We hope all people find it easy to follow along.*

GOD GATHERS US

Announcements are found on our website

PRELUDE **The Lord is My Strength** Pastor Jane Perkolup & Steve Ver Halen

We invite you to read/respond to the texts, pray the prayers, using this as a meditation guide all week long.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Rise

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
whose steadfast love endures forever.

All: Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Merciful God,

**All: we confess that we have not followed your path
but have chosen our own way.**

**Instead of putting others before ourselves,
we long to take the best seats at the table.**

**When met by those in need,
we have too often passed by on the other side.**

Set us again on the path of life.

**Save us from ourselves
and free us to love our neighbors.**

Amen.

P: Hear the good news!

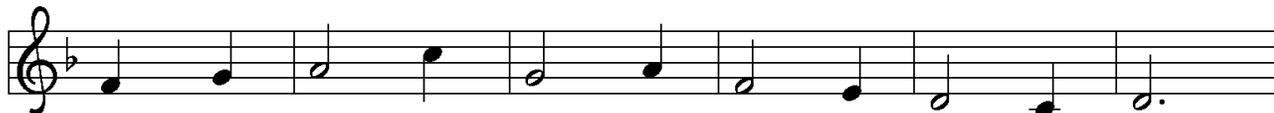
God does not deal with us according to our sins
but delights in granting pardon and mercy.

In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

You are free to love as God loves.

All: Amen.

Will You Come and Follow Me ELW 798 v 1,2 5
The Summons



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional

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GREETING & PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

P: Let us pray... Oh God, judge eternal,

All: you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

SHARING OF PEACE

P: God has received us, pardoned us and loved us; let us forgive each other in love and share the peace of Christ. Peace be with you.

All: And you also.

Share the peace with each other either by a wave or a bow.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Please Be Seated

FIRST READING:

Ezekiel 18:23-24 and 30-32

²³Have I any pleasure in the death of the wicked, says the Lord GOD, and not rather that they should turn from their ways and live? ²⁴But when the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity and do the same abominable things that the wicked do, shall they live? None of the righteous deeds that they have done shall be remembered; for the treachery of which they are guilty and the sin they have committed, they shall die.

³⁰Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. ³¹Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? ³²For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord GOD. Turn, then, and live.

P: Word of God; Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.



Children's Message

(Please rise for the reading of the Gospel)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 12:35-46 and 49-51

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

All: Glory to you O Lord

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

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

⁴¹Peter said, "Lord, are you telling this parable for us or for everyone?" ⁴²And the Lord said, "Who then is the faithful and prudent manager whom his master will put in charge of his slaves, to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? ⁴³Blessed is that slave whom his master will find at work when he arrives. ⁴⁴Truly I tell you, he will put that one in charge of all his possessions. ⁴⁵But if that slave says to himself, 'My master is delayed in coming,' and if he begins to beat the other slaves, men and women, and to eat and drink and get drunk, ⁴⁶the master of that slave will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour that he does not know, and will cut him in pieces, and put him with the unfaithful. ⁴⁹I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division!

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to You O Christ!

MESSAGE FOR ALL

Pastor David Mercurio

SONG OF DAY

Just a Closer Walk With Thee

ELW 697 v. 1 - 3



Just a clos-er walk with thee, grant it, Je-sus, is my plea;



dai - ly walk-ing close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.



- 1 I am weak but thou art strong: Je - sus, keep me from all wrong;
- 2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I fal - ter, Lord, who cares?
- 3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;



I'll be sat - is - fied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee.
Who with me my bur - den shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.
guide me gent - ly, safe - ly o'er to thy king - dom shore, to thy shore.

Text: North American traditional

Music: CLOSER WALK, North American traditional

APOSTLES' CREED

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

OFFERING IS WELCOMED

P: God of abundance:
you have set before us a plentiful harvest.
As we feast on your goodness,
strengthen us to labor in your field,
and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all,
in the name of Jesus.

All: Amen.

(An offering will be taken before the prayer.)

Offertory Music

Come to Jesus

Pastor Jane & Steve

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*See list of those Grace is currently praying for at end of this document
or online. Please let us know your prayer needs.*

Please respond accordingly

P: Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy
One in prayer

A brief silence.



P: Arise, O God, and sustain your church. We pray for all who dedicate their lives to serving your people. Renew our commitment to our siblings in faith around the globe, and bless the work of our ecumenical and interfaith partners.

Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Arise, O God, and sustain your creation. We pray for all places affected by natural disasters. Transform the devastation of floods and fires into fertile ground for new life and growth. Fill heaven and earth with your life-giving Spirit.

Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Arise, O God, and sustain the nations. We pray for all elected officials. Kindle in them a desire to administer your justice. Strengthen their resolve to defend those who are vulnerable and to stand publicly against all forms of oppression.

Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Arise, O God, and sustain those who are oppressed. Rescue us from all attitudes that degrade our fellow human beings.

Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Arise, O God, and sustain this assembly. We pray for this community, celebrating with those who rejoice and weeping with those who weep. In our joy and in our tears, be near us.

Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, we remember the saints who have gone before us. May we run with perseverance the race set before us until we find our rest in you.

Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

P: In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.
Come to the banquet.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them in the Spirit's love.

P: Let us give thanks to our Triune God.

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O God. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all who believe in Him should not perish. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. 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.

P: WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**ALL: 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: These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God

TAKE AND EAT OF THE BREAD AND CUP

Communion hymn: One Bread, One Body

ELW 496 v.1 - 3

One Bread, One Body

Refrain

One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of
bless-ing which we bless, and we, though man-y
through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.

1	Gen - tile	or Jew,	ser - vant	or free,
2	Man - y	the gifts,	man - y	the works,
3	Grain for	the fields,	scat-tered	and grown,

Refrain

wom - an or man, no more.
one in the Lord of all.
gath - ered to one for all.

Text: John Foley, SJ, b. 1939

Music: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY, John Foley, SJ

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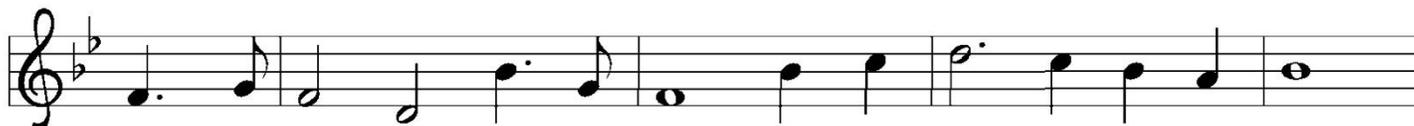
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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

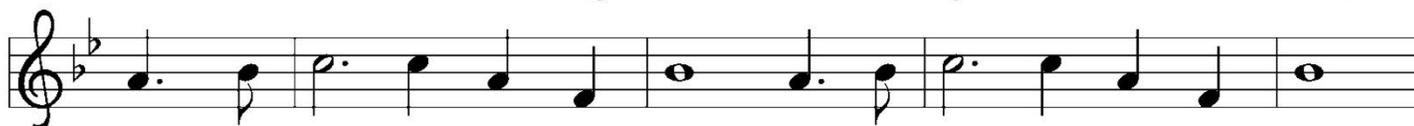
P: Life-giving God,
through this meal you have bandaged our wounds
and fed us with your mercy.
Now send us forth to live for others,
both friend and stranger,
that all may come to know your love.
This we pray in the name of Jesus.

ALL: Amen

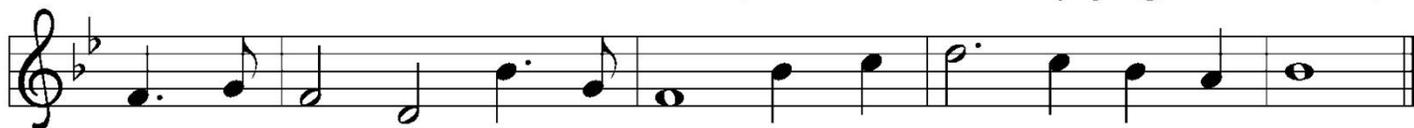
Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me



1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;
 2 Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill thy law's de - mands;
 3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring; sim - ply to thy cross I cling.
 4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,



let the wa - ter and the blood, from thy riv - en side which flowed,
 could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow,
 Na - ked, come to thee for dress; help - less, look to thee for grace;
 when I soar to worlds un - known, see thee on thy judg - ment throne,



be of sin the dou - ble cure; cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
 all for sin could not a - tone; thou must save, and thou a - lone.
 foul, I to the foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

Text: Augustus M. Toplady, 1740–1778

Music: TOPLADY, Thomas Hastings, 1784–1872

GOD SENDS US**BLESSING**

The God of peace,
 Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,
 bless you, comfort you,
 and show you the path of life
 this day and always.

ALL: Amen.

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

ALL: Thanks be to God

POSTLUDE

The Lord is My Strength

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ADDITIONAL WEEKLY LECTIONARY LESSON

Jeremiah 23:23-29

God's word is like fire, like a hammer that breaks rocks

Psalm 82

Arise, O God, and rule the earth. (Ps. 82:8)

Hebrews 11:29--12:2

The faith of the Hebrew people, a great cloud of witnesses

ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 14th, 2022

WORSHIP MASKING Following ELCA and CDC recommendations, Masks are optional; however, we will still be practicing 6' Social Distancing especially indoors.

BOWLING LEAGUE The Lutheran Fellowship Bowling League, a joint league among area ELCA Churches, is looking for adults 18 or older to join us every other Sunday for an evening of adult Christian fellowship. Bowling skill or experience not required. Contact Nick Rex for more information at 630-742-5836 (text or voicemail) or lutheranbowling@gmail.com.

The AUGUST Edition of the newsletter is now available on our website!
Go to www.graceoflilylake.com and click on What's Happening to download it!

REBECCA CIRCLE AUGUST MEETING POSTPONED

The Rebecca Circle, originally scheduled for Tuesday, August 16th, has been changed to Tuesday, August 30th. The time of 1 p.m. remains the same as well as the location in the church fellowship hall. Hostesses will be Marge Grandquist and Marlene Klingner. Family responsibilities, surgery issues, and travel concerns all played a part in making this change. Thank you for your patience and understanding concerning this matter. Donations for the Elburn Food Pantry will be gratefully accepted at the meeting.
**The September meeting date will remain the third Tuesday (9-20-22).

ELBURN DAYS PARADE AUG 19th

Cathy Whiteside and Heidi Anderson are leading Grace's participation in the 2022 Elburn Days Parade and are looking for helpers with putting together a float. Please contact either Cathy or Heidi if you are willing to help.

GRACE ROADRUNNERS will be taking their motorcoach trip to Wisconsin and Minnesota September 19-24th. Please see the News Letter for details. Questions-see Suzanne Girsch.

NOISY OFFERING We will collect Noisy Offering whenever you wish to empty your change purse or pockets! Our next endeavor may be to collect funds for special light bulbs and lift rental necessary for the sanctuary and parking lot. Thank you for your support!

BRIDGE TO LIFE DONATIONS

The Bridge to Life Group continues to collect donations for the Elgin homeless. For details see the News Letter or Cathy Whiteside. ***Thank you for your generous donations!***

THANK YOU FOR YOUR OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRIES AT GRACE

Offering collected on 8/7/22 = \$3,552

Weekly amount needed to meet expenses = \$3,750

2022 FLOWER CALENDAR – Our Flower calendar (on the Narthex bulletin board) needs your name! In honor of a birthday, anniversary, special occasion – please consider signing up for altar flowers – \$15 donation. The flowers can be taken after the worship service to enjoy/share in your home. Today's flowers are donated by Helen Gruber in celebration of the life of her mom, Alice Schubert.

I would like to thank all the family and friends at Grace Lutheran who sent cards, made calls, extended greetings and encouragement, and included me in your prayers during my recent surgery. You don't know how much this has meant to me (and Jack) and how much I have appreciated your thoughtfulness.

~ Janice Docherty

VISIT our website: www.graceoflilylake.com for some of the latest updates, worship service info, monthly newsletter and highlighted events. You can always find us on Facebook – search : GraceofLilyLake.

ZOOM FELLOWSHIP WILL CONTINUE WEEKLY **AT 10:30 AM** on Sundays following our online worship services. Join our Grace family for sharing news, prayers information and more. Don't miss out! Check your eblast for details.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE WHOLE CHURCH

- * God's Church in all time and place, that God be seen and heard.
- * As we face these times both together and while apart, keep us from fear, suffering and death.
- * Ministries of the ELCA and Metro Chicago Synod, especially Bishop Yehiel Curry.
- * Efforts of Lutheran World Relief, ELCA World Hunger, and Disaster Relief

FOR THE WORLD

- * For every living person facing the threat of coronavirus – it affects us all, our loved ones and our worldwide neighbors together.
- * For the healing of the divisions in our Nation.

FOR OUR CONGREGATION

- * For God's Spirit to guide the Vision Team, and whole congregation as we face transition and change.
- * As we plan regarding the future of our congregation.

FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY (members, relatives, and friends of members of our congregation)

- * Adam & Julia Sajdak, grandson & granddaughter in law of Bill and Lori U'Ren
- * Nathan Sajdak, grandson of Bill and Lori U'Ren
- * William Delmer, grandson of Kirk and Kathy Hooey
- * David Brazee, Grandson of Steve and Cathy Lindquist

(If you know of someone currently serving our country, please share their information with the Church office.)

FOR ALL

- * The continued support of our members
- * For all members of healthcare around the world
- * For those serving as first responders and in the military
- * For our Nation, that extend peace in all things.

FOR THOSE SICK IN BODY, MIND OR SPIRIT

For those ill in body, mind or spirit.....Andrew Kinsel and his family in Ukraine (nephew of Paul and Kay Kinsel), Fred Alstadt, Gene Anderson, Vicki Barclay, Aina Baumanis (Andra Nordwind's mother), Lorraine Chavez, and her family Steve, Jackie, Joe and Phil, Jim - brother of Rita Burnham, recovering from a stroke, Joe Cicci (friend of Vicki Linden), Juanita Curley (sister in law of Cathy Lindquist), Jane Cutler, Ken Deutschmann, Jack and Jan Docherty, Joyce Helander and Jim Serafin, Jay Ellingsen, Manfred Kaufmann, Paul and Kay Kinsel, Katie Kozeva, Lisa Landes, Pastor Dave and Carol Langseth, Ray Larsen, Wayne Larson, Chili Lindgren, Jeannine Luchs, Sherry Manke, George and Eileen Morris, Joan Mortenson, Mike Myers, Ray Navarro, Donald Overby, Ken Patterson, Phil and Inge Peterson, Carol Prevenas, Pastor Art, Pastor Rex, Nancy Schaeffer, John Schnaitman, Kim Theros, Shirley Turner, and Catherine Zegial.

*Please let us know your prayer requests for inclusion in our public prayers.
Type them in the comments or send them to the church office via our prayer card on our website.*