



Grace Sanctuary 1921-2021

*Ninth Sunday after Pentecost ~ July 25, 2021*  
*Grace Lutheran Church*  
***Welcomes You to Worship***

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***PRELUDE***

***Congregation responses in Bold Print***

**Welcome and Announcements**

The Spirit of God calls us together as the people of God.

**GATHERING HYMN:**

**“Jesus Calls Us; O’er the Tumult”**

**ELW 696**

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| 1 Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult<br>of our life's wild, restless sea,<br>day by day his clear voice sounding,<br>saying, "Christian, follow me": | from each idol that would keep us,<br>saying, "Christian, love me more."   |
| 2 As of old Saint Andrew heard it<br>by the Galilean lake,<br>turned from home and toil and kindred,<br>leaving all for Jesus' sake.              | 4 In our joys and in our sorrows,<br>days of toil and hours of ease,<br>still he calls, in cares and pleasures,<br>"Christian, love me more than these." |
| 3 Jesus calls us from the worship<br>of the vain world's golden store,  | 5 Jesus calls us! By your mercy,<br>Savior, may we hear your call,<br>give our hearts to your obedience,<br>serve and love you best of all.              |

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.  
**Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God’s abundance, let us confess our sin.

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

God, our provider, **help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

**Thanks be to God**

## 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.**

## KYRIE

ELW p 138

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

## FESTIVAL HYMN

*"Thine the Amen"*

ELW 826

1 Thine the amen thine the praise  
alleluias angels raise  
thine the everlasting head  
thine the breaking of the bread  
thine the glory thine the story  
thine the harvest then the cup  
thine the vineyard then the cup  
is lifted up lifted up.  
2 Thine the life eternally  
thine the promise let there be  
thine the vision thine the tree  
all the earth on bended knee  
gone the nailing gone the railing  
gone the pleading gone the cry  
gone the sighing gone the dying  
what was loss lifted high.

3 Thine the truly thine the yes  
thine the table we the guest  
thine the mercy all from thee  
thine the glory yet to be  
then the ringing and the singing  
then the end of all the war  
thine the living thine the loving  
evermore evermore.  
4 Thine the kingdom thine the prize  
thine the wonder full surprise  
thine the banquet then the praise  
then the justice of thy ways  
thine the glory thine the story  
then the welcome to the least  
then the wonder all increasing

at thy feast at thy feast.  
5 Thine the glory in the night  
no more dying only light  
thine the river thine the tree  
then the Lamb eternally

then the holy holy holy  
celebration jubilee  
thine the splendor thine the  
brightness only thee only thee.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

Let us pray... **Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**First Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44**

**Pew Bible p 293**

<sup>42</sup>A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to [Elisha,] the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." <sup>43</sup>But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" <sup>44</sup>He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 145:10-18**

<sup>10</sup>All your works shall praise you, O LORD, and your faithful ones shall bless you.

<sup>11</sup>**They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power,**

<sup>12</sup>that all people may know of your power  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

<sup>13</sup>**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages.**

**You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.**

<sup>14</sup>The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

<sup>15</sup>**The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD,  
and you give them their food in due season.**

<sup>16</sup>You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

<sup>17</sup>**You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.**

<sup>18</sup>You are near to all who call upon you, to all who call upon you faithfully.

**Second Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21**

**Pew Bible p 950**

<sup>14</sup>For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>15</sup>from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. <sup>16</sup>I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, <sup>17</sup>and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. <sup>18</sup>I pray that you may have the power to comprehend,

with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup>and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. <sup>20</sup>Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: “Word of Life, Jesus Christ”** **WOV p 48**

Word of life, Jesus Christ, all glory to you! Word of life, Jesus Christ, all praise to you!

Our hearts burn within us while you open to us the Scriptures.

Word of life, Jesus Christ, all glory to you! Word of life, Jesus Christ, all praise to you!

**GOSPEL: John 6:1-21**

**Pew Bible p 867**

The Holy Gospel according to St John, the sixth chapter.

*Response:* **Glorify to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. <sup>2</sup>A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. <sup>3</sup>Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. <sup>4</sup>Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. <sup>5</sup>When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?” <sup>6</sup>He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. <sup>7</sup>Philip answered him, “Six months’ wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” <sup>8</sup>One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, <sup>9</sup>“There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?” <sup>10</sup>Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. <sup>11</sup>Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup>When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.” <sup>13</sup>So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. <sup>14</sup>When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, “This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.” <sup>15</sup>When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. <sup>16</sup>When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, <sup>17</sup>got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. <sup>18</sup>The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. <sup>19</sup>When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. <sup>20</sup>But he said to them, “It is I; do not be afraid.” <sup>21</sup>Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

The Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## MESSAGE

**SERMON SONG:** *“Break Now the Bread of Life”*

**ELW 515**

- 1 Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,  
as once you broke the loaves beside the sea.  
Beyond the sacred page I seek you, Lord;  
my spirit waits for you, O living Word.
- 2 Bless your own word of truth, dear Lord, to me,  
as when you blessed the bread by Galilee.  
Then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall;  
and I shall find my peace, my All-in-All!
- 3 You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,  
your holy word the truth that rescues me.  
Give me to eat and live with you above;  
teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

### **MISSION OF THE MONTH – “Neighbors in Solidarity” Pueblo de Dios - VIDEO**

The mission of the month is **Pueblo de Dios**, a bilingual church in central Sioux Falls, South Dakota. The South Dakota Synod responds to God’s call to share the reconciling gospel of Jesus Christ with all people, from all nations and walks of life. “Neighbors in Solidarity” gives you the opportunity to support amazing ministries throughout the South Dakota Synod. Solidarity is a commitment with others and a way of seeing, being, and acting. Solidarity means seeing and experiencing one’s own well-being as connected to the well-being of others and the communities to which they belong. Solidarity often involves people aligning themselves with others who do not have the same experiences. The principle of solidarity compels respect for the lived experience of all our brothers and sisters. Solidarity encourages us to share in our neighbor’s suffering and to participate in their liberation. Pueblo de Dios is a congregation of English speakers and Spanish speakers in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Each Sunday they gather to worship together as one people – the people of God. Many of our families speak Spanish at home and English at work and school, or have one parent that prefers English and one parent that prefers Spanish. Each Sunday we read, pray, and declare our beliefs together – no matter what language we speak.

The mission and vision of Pueblo de Dios: Following God; Breaking down barriers; Standing with people in need.

More information is available at: <https://www.pueblodedios.org/> Financial support can be given through the South Dakota Synod.

**SHARING OF THE PEACE:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

**OFFERING FOR THE MISSION AND MINISTRY of Grace Lutheran Church**  
*(This time of offering is for the mission & ministry of Grace Lutheran Church.)*

**SONG of OFFERING:** ***“We Are an Offering”*** **ELW 692**

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you; we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours; We are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, We lift our lives up to you; We are an offering, we are an offering

**PRAYER OF OFFERING DEDICATION** *(inspired by Mark 4:26-34)*

**Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

**PRAYER SONG:** ***“Hear Our Prayer”*** **ELW 178**

*Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole: peace to all people, hope for each soul. God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.*

**PRAYER PETITIONS:**

We pray for the church. Bless the ministries of our neighboring congregations here in Watertown and throughout South Dakota. Empower churches throughout the world and encourage missionaries who accompany global neighbors. Kindle in us a spirit of collaboration, that all people may know your loving works. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for creation. Send rain to our farmers and ranchers who are experiencing parched lands and come to the aid of those enduring sweltering heat and drought across the western states. Nurture wheat and barley crops grown for the nourishment of your people and conserve aquatic habitats and fish populations. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for those who govern. Cast out arrogance, selfishness, and corruption and instruct those in leadership to practice compassion and humility. Inspire them with a vision of the common good and a commitment to ensure that all who hunger are fed. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for those bowed down by heavy burdens: those who are unemployed or underemployed, those unable to find affordable housing, and those without health insurance. Console those who grieve and hear the cries of those who call to you for healing especially Rhys, Roy, Ester, Jim, Shannon, Joyce, Carla, Bella, Loren, Bruce, Doug, Judy, Todd, Rick, Deb, Donnie, and Robert, those in Care Center, Assisted Living or are homebound. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for Grace Lutheran church. Deepen our resolve to use what we have to serve those in need. Cause a revival within our hearts and create a vision of your church for the future. Assure us of your abundance when we worry we lack resources for your ministry. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We give thanks for those who have died. As you sustained them through all their days, so dwell in our hearts, that we may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**ELW p 144**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We indeed give thanks and praise to the almighty and merciful God for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, and remember His words spoken on that ancient night...

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

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.

Let us pray as Jesus has taught us

**THE LORD'S PRAYER: 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.**

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

### THE COMMUNION

Please Come Forward down the center aisle  
and then to either side to return to your seats.

### COMMUNION SONGS

*“Lamb of God”*

*ELW p 146*

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

### *“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”*

*ELW 484*

#### *Refrain*

You satisfy the hungry heart  
with gift of finest wheat.  
Come give to us, O saving Lord,  
the bread of life to eat.  
1 As when the shepherd calls his sheep,  
they know and heed his voice;  
so when you call your fam'ly, Lord,  
we follow and rejoice. *Refrain*  
2 With joyful lips we sing to you

our praise and gratitude  
that you should count us worthy, Lord,  
to share this heav'nly food. *Refrain*  
3 Is not the cup we bless and share  
the blood of Christ outpoured?  
Do not one cup, one loaf, declare  
our oneness in the Lord? *Refrain*  
4 The myst'ry of your presence, Lord,  
no mortal tongue can tell:  
whom all the world cannot contain



comes in our hearts to dwell. *Refrain*  
5 You give yourself to us, O Lord;  
then selfless let us be,

to serve each other in your name  
in truth and charity. *Refrain*

**POST COMMUNION BLESSING:** And now may this body and blood of our Savior Jesus, strengthen you and keep you in His grace. Amen.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us Pray... **Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.**  
**Amen.**

**BLESSING** (*inspired by Mark 5:21-43*)

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,  
‡ be upon you now and forever.

**Amen.**

**SENDING SONG:**

***“Jesus, Priceless Treasure”***

***ELW 775***

1 Jesus, priceless treasure,  
source of purest pleasure,  
truest friend to me:  
ah, how long I've panted,  
and my heart has fainted,  
thirsting, Lord, for thee!  
Thine I am, O spotless Lamb;  
nothing in this world can hide thee,  
naught I ask beside thee.  
2 In thine arm I rest me;  
foes who would molest me  
cannot reach me here.  
Though the earth be shaking,  
every heart be quaking,

Jesus calms my fear.  
Lightnings flash and thunders crash;  
yet, though sin and hell assail me,  
Jesus will not fail me.  
3 Hence, all fears and sadness,  
for the Lord of gladness,  
Jesus, enters in.  
God, who dearly loves us,  
from all trial saves us,  
gives sweet peace within.  
I have borne this worldly scorn;  
still in thee lies purest pleasure:  
Jesus, priceless treasure!

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ... **Thanks be to God. We Will!**

***Thank you for worshiping with us today!***

## Announcements for July 25<sup>th</sup>

### ***Keep in your prayers - Those dealing with Health Issues:***

Rhys Arnold, Roy Arnold, Esther Bakeberg, Jim Bakeberg, Shannon Beck, Joyce Brever, Carla Frost, Bella Hatch, Loren Holzwarth, Bruce Jahraus, Doug Koutz, Judy Lien, Todd Lingren, Rick Raml, Deb Schlenner, Donnie Vrtacnik, and Robert Wittrock, those in Care Centers, Assisted Living, or who are Homebound. Pray for members of the Armed Forces and their families, our Law Enforcement personal, Fire Fighters, EMT and all First Responders.

### **On the CALENDAR - For the week of July 25<sup>th</sup> thru August 1**

Today	8:30 am Worship
Monday	1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters
Wednesday	5:30 pm Youth Group meets in the Youth Room 6 – 8 pm – Visioning Exercises for all confirmed members
Friday	9 am Committal service for David and Sharon Johnson at Veteran’s Cemetery in Sioux Falls
Saturday	1:30 pm Memorial Service for Chris Johnson
Sunday	8:30 am Worship service w/communion 1 pm – Service at Edgewood

### **Upcoming Events:**

- September 1 – Confirmation begins
- September 12 – Rally Day for Sunday school
- September 15 – Rally day for Wednesday school  
Youth Groups starts meeting at 7:30 pm
- September 19-21: Fall Theological at Pierre, SD (Pastor gone)
- October 15 & 16<sup>th</sup>: 1517 “Here I Stand” Conference (Pastor gone)
- October 30<sup>th</sup> – Nordefest Plus

### **THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ASSIST IN OUR WORSHIP:**

**PASTOR:** Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

**READER:** Edwin Williams

**USHERS:** Please volunteer to help with this important welcoming activity!

**PIANIST:** Judy Everson

**SONG LEADER:** Leigh Carstensen

**SOUND/VIDEO TECH TEAM:** Paul Henrichs, Wyatt Sprouse, Larry Picht  
Gary Rukstad and Jason Mohr.

**Pastoral Calls: You can reach Pastor Cheryl at 605-237-1501(cell or text) or  
by E-mail: [cherylgracelc@midconetwork.com](mailto:cherylgracelc@midconetwork.com)**

### **VISIONING EXERCISES SET FOR JULY 28TH**

We will begin visioning on Wednesday evening from 6 to 8 pm July 28th to discuss who we are as Grace Lutheran and the mission and ministry we see for us in the future.

Visioning is an activity to engage the whole diverse and varied community of Grace in dialogue to exchange ideas and dreams of the church for the next 5 years.

By bringing together community-wide voices with various backgrounds and unique contributions everyone has an opportunity to contribute. Common ground is often found where they can build on each other's strengths for the good of the whole community.

Everyone is encouraged to participate in these exercises especially youth and those under 40 who will carry on the vision of Grace for years to come.

We want your voice to be heard as part of the mission and ministry planning for your future at Grace.

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A RADIO BROADCAST of the Sunday morning worship service can be heard at 10:05 a.m. each Sunday on KWAT (95 AM). **The RADIO BROADCAST** today is given by Galen Bauman in memory of Linda Bauman. Altar Flowers today are given by Denise & Ryan Biller and Darcy Raethz in loving memory of their mother Sharon Johnson. Your gifts are greatly appreciated for the Mission and Ministry of Grace Lutheran. If you would like to help with these special weekly needs, please call the office or send your donation to *Grace Lutheran, 202 Second Street SE, Watertown, South Dakota 57201*

### **THANK YOU!**

Thank you to EVERYONE who has helped with all the fundraising and events that have taken place since we started this journey back in February/March. EVERYONE has helped in some way. Without you, we wouldn't be this far. I appreciate EVERYONE on this committee!!! We have done a great job in getting this much raised in just about 5 months. We are getting closer. \$\$\$ All of our hard work is paying off.

Darcy Raethz & Denise Biller

### **Thank you! Thank you! Thank You!**

A huge thank you to all who helped with the Celebration. It was a special day for all the members past and present to recognized the beautiful sanctuary of your church and the appreciate the efforts of SO MANY over the 100 years who have taken such wonderful day of it. Thank you to Bishop Constanze Hagmaier for her encouraging words and leading us as we rededicated our sanctuary and ourselves to God's mission and ministry.

A special Thank you to Marcia Jelsma for traveling back to us and playing the organ and to Darlene Bresson for heading up and overseeing the meal and to all who volunteered of their time to prepare for and do their part to make the celebration a huge success. I have received many positive remarks and you are all appreciated for your efforts.

As we rededicate ourselves to Grace,, we look forward to 2023 to celebrate the 140<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the existence of Grace Lutheran.

Pastor Cheryl

**FUND RAISING NOTE:** with the fund from the Celebration, bundle tickets, donations and all we have reach \$90,000 plus for the "Raise the Roof" project.

There are a few tickets left for the shotgun bundle drawing and the tickets for the Side by Side are going fast. If you can take a book to help sell, we have them in the office. The sooner they are sold, the sooner we get to draw a winner.

**Check us out on our website at [glcwn.org](http://glcwn.org)**

**And Grace Lutheran Watertown FaceBook.**