

Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost ~ November 13, 2022

FOUNDATION SUNDAY - 8:30 AM Service

Grace Lutheran Church ~ Welcomes You to Worship

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PRELUDE

Congregation responses in Bold Print

Welcome and Announcements

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who redeems us in Christ Jesus, whose steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbors. We have ignored voices that call for your justice. We have neglected actions that witness to your righteousness. We have spoken and acted in ways that disrupt your beloved community. We truly repent of things we have done and left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Restore our troubled spirits, so that we may live in newness, follow the way of the Spirit, and build up the body of Christ. Amen.**

Rejoice and be glad! God hears the prayers of all who cry out, and restores us to life through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Therefore, as a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His authority, I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN: "If You But Trust in God to Guide You" ELW 769

1 If you but trust in God to guide you
with gentle hand through all your ways,
you'll find that God is there beside you
when crosses come, in trying days.
Trust then in God's unchanging love;
build on the rock that will not move.
2 What gain is there in anxious weeping,
in helpless anger and distress?
If you are in your Savior's keeping,
in sorrow will he love you less?

For Christ who took for you a cross
will bring you safe through ev'ry loss.
3 The Lord our restless hearts is holding,
in peace and quietness content.
We rest in God's good will unfolding,
what wisdom from on high has sent.
God, who has chosen us by grace,
knows very well the fears we face.

4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways true to be. This is our confidence
unswerving, offer your service faithfully. indeed: God never fails in time of need.
Trust heaven's word; though
undeserving, you'll find this promise

GRACE FOUNDATION REPORT

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 147

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

"This is the feast"

ELW p 149

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**Power, riches, wisdom and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are his.**

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

**Blessing, honor, glory, and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

This is the feast of victory for our God.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia, Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Let us pray... **O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Malachi 4: 1-2a Pew Bible p 779

¹See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ^{2a}But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

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

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 98

¹Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

²**O LORD, you have made known your victory,
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

³You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

⁴**Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.**

⁵Sing to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.

⁶**With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the king, the LORD.**

⁷Let the sea roar, and all that fills it, the world and those who dwell therein.

⁸**Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out
with joy before the LORD, who comes to judge the earth.**

⁹The LORD will judge the world with righteousness
and the peoples with equity.

SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Pew Bible p 962

⁶Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹²Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

"Alleluia"

ELW p 151

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 21: 5-19

Pew Bible p 856

The Holy Gospel according to St Luke, the twenty-first chapter.

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

⁵When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, ⁶"As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

⁷They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is

about to take place?”⁸ And he said, “Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them.

⁹“When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.”¹⁰ Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

¹²“But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; ¹⁵for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your souls.”

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

MESSAGE

SERMON SONG:

“Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”

ELW 767

1 Lord, take my hand and lead me
upon life’s way;
direct, protect, and feed me
from day to day.
Without your grace and favor
I go astray;
so take my hand, O Savior,
and lead the way.

Close by your side abiding,
I fear no foe,
for when your hand is guiding,
in peace I go.

2 Lord, when the tempest rages,
I need not fear;
for you, the Rock of Ages,
are always near.

3 Lord, when the shadows lengthen
and night has come,
I know that you will strengthen
my steps toward home,
then nothing can impede me,
O blessed Friend!
So, take my hand and lead me
unto the end.

APOSTLE’S CREED:

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 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.

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

SONG of OFFERING: “Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful” ELW 182

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now.

Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER:

Let us pray... **Blessed are you, Maker of all things. As you have entrusted us with all that you have created, now gather our gifts, nourish us with this sacrament, and send us to those who hunger and thirst, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord God heavenly Father, we lift up our hearts to You in prayer, trusting in Your help for the church, the world and all of your 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:

Lord, you have promised to be our keeper—to guard our going out and coming in from this time forth and forever more and so we ask that You would be with and uphold those who are ill, especially Rhys, Roy, Shannon, Joyce, Dennis, Jody, Jerry, Dick, Judy, Sharlee, Sylvia, Janelle, Lavern, Elvira, Ronald, Cleone, Rick, Carolyn, Roger, Tracy, Raaf, Caden, Todd, and Robert, those in Care Center, Assisted Living or are homebound. Grant them healing according to Your will. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

As we look forward to the day of Christ’s return in glory, help us by Your Holy Spirit to remember Your holy law, statutes, and just decrees and walk in them according to Your will and in this way show reverence for Your holy name which You have bestowed upon us in Baptism. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We ask Your blessing upon our national economy and upon our own jobs and financial well-being. Direct the unemployed to useful labor that will provide for their needs. Lead us to be generous to those who are suffering economic hardships.

Sustain in us all a strong work ethic so that we might provide for our families, help those in need, and give generously for the work of the church. Help us to not grow weary in doing good. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Give us an ongoing awareness that this world and the things of this world will not endure forever, but there will come a Last Day. In the midst of natural disasters and socio-economic distress and political uncertainty help us to see these events as signs of the end so that day would not catch us unaware but that instead we would recognize that our redemption is in you alone.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Bless Your church on earth. Protect us from false teachers who would deceive by Your name and lead us astray. Help us to always hold fast to the firm foundation of Your Word. In the midst of uncertain times, grant us the mouth and the wisdom to bear witness to Your Son Jesus Christ and the redemption we have in Him. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Gracious God, we give you thanks for the work of our committees here at Grace Lutheran, for the Grace Lutheran Foundation, and those who make decisions to care for its resources, mission and ministry. Though the world has been gripped by trouble since early days, and life has often been short and tormented, you have given us a vision of a day beyond the terrors: a day when the heavens and earth will be new again. Strengthen us for the telling of your truth that we might not weary in doing what is right, but endure for a revival here and beyond our doors. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Dear heavenly Father, whatever else You see that we need—whatever is for the good of our neighbor and redounds to Your glory—we pray that You would grant to us, Your children, Jesus' name, **Amen.**

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.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW p 152

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus

Christ; who overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

ELW p 153

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow’r and might:
Heav’n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

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.

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 invites you to Come and be strengthened.

THE COMMUNION

ALL WHO BELIEVE IN THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST ARE INVITED TO COME FORWARD FOR THE LORD’S SUPPER.

COMMUNION SONGS

“Lamb of God”

ELW p 154

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.

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee ”

ELW 697

Refrain

Just a closer walk with thee,
grant it, Jesus, is my plea;
daily walking close to thee,
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

2 Through this world of toil and snares,
if I falter, Lord, who cares?
Who with me my burden shares?
None but thee, dear Lord, none but
thee. *Refrain*

1 I am weak but thou art strong:
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;
I'll be satisfied as long
as I walk, let me walk close to thee.
Refrain

3 When my feeble life is o'er,
time for me will be no more;
guide me gently, safely o'er
to thy kingdom shore, to thy shore.
Refrain

POST COMMUNION BLESSING: And now may this body and blood of our Savior Jesus, strengthen and preserve you unto life eternal. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us Pray... Let us Pray... **We give you thanks, most gracious God, that you have fed us with the bread of heaven and given us a foretaste of Paradise. Enliven us to be your body in the world and to serve those who are in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

COMMISSION & BLESSITION:

Go now and tell the world what God does.
Do not chase after self-proclaimed messiahs,
but draw deeply from God's saving well
and speak the words the Spirit gives you.
Do not be weary in doing what is right.

And may God delight in you and give you strength;
May Christ Jesus lead you in the ways of new life;
And may the Holy Spirit give you the words and wisdom
to withstand all that would tear you down. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG:

Congregation sings

“Armed Forces Medley”

Army - Over hill, over dale We will hit the dusty trail
And those caissons go rolling along.
Hear them out, hear them shout Now they're marching all about
And those caissons go rolling along. For it's hi! hi! hee!
In the field artillery. Count out your numbers loud and strong
Two, three, four, hut, two, three. And where'er you go,
You will always know That those caissons go rolling along!

Navy - Anchors aweigh, my boys, Anchors aweigh. Farewell to fallen shores, we sail

at break of day, day, day, day. Now our last night on shore, Hail to the call, until we meet once more. Here's wishing you a happy voyage home.

Coast Guard - We're always ready for the call, We place our trust in Thee. Through howling gale and shot and shell, To win our victory. "Semper Paratus" is our guide, Our pledge, our motto, too. We're "Always Ready," do or die! Aye! Coast Guard, we fight for you.

Air Force - Off we go, into the wild blue yonder, Climbing high into the sun; Here they come, zooming to meet our thunder, At 'em, boys, Give 'er the gun! Down we dive, spouting our flame from under, Off with one terrible roar! We live in fame or go down in flame For nothing can stop the U.S. Air Force!

Marine Corps - From the Halls of Montezuma To the shores of Tripoli; We will fight our country's battles In the air, on land, and sea. First we fight for right and freedom And to keep our honor clean; We are proud to claim the title Of United States Marine.

Army! Navy! Coast Guard! Air Force! The United States MARINES!!! Amen

DISMISSAL:

Go in peace... For God is your strength. **Thanks be to God. We Will!**

Thank you for worshiping with us today!

Announcements for November 13th

Keep in your prayers - Those dealing with Health Issues:

Rhys Arnold, Roy Arnold, Shannon Beck, Joyce Brever, Dennis Carlson, Jody Crane, Jerry Dipprey, Dick Everson, Judy Everson, Sharlee Kjellsen. Sylvia Larson, Janelle Marx, Lavern McPeek, Elvira Moen, Ronald Newell, Cleone Pekelder, Rick Raml, Carolyn Ronke, Roger Rust, Tracy Schaefer, Raaf Stolp, Caden Thompson, Todd Wilson, 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 November 13th – 20th

Today

FOUNDATION SUNDAY

8:30 am Traditional Worship service with Holy Communion

9:30 Coffee Fellowship by Grace Foundation

9:45 Sunday school

11 am Contemporary Worship service with Holy Communion

Monday	1 pm = Maddox Bundy Eagle Scout Ceremony 9 am GLCW Exec Board Meeting in Conference Room 1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters 5:30 pm Banquet
Tuesday	9:30 am – Prairie Coteau Conference Pastors meet at American Lutheran in Milbank followed by text study in the afternoon 6 pm Youth, Family and Education Committee meeting 6:30 pm – Dance Class begins
Wednesday	10 am Service at Town View 10:30 am Service at Jenkins 6 pm Wednesday school 6 pm – Prophets of the Bible: Bible Study 6 pm Confirmation Class in Basement 7 pm Family Worship 7:30 pm Youth Group meets in the Youth Room
Thursday	9:30 am Elizabeth Circle meets 6 pm – Grief Support meets
Sunday	8:30 am Traditional Worship 9:30 am Coffee Fellowship 9:45 an Sunday school 9:45 am Usher Training in the Sanctuary 11 am Contemporary Worship 5 pm – Stone Soup – COST is 2 canned goods items 6 pm – Thanksgiving Service

Upcoming Events:

November 21st – Confirmation Students Serve the Banquet
Christmas decorating beginning at 5 pm until 8 pm for all members of Grace Lutheran who are able to help.

November 23rd – No activities – Pastor is off

November 27th - Hanging of the Greens—Advent

November 29th – National Day of Giving – Give your tithes to Grace Lutheran

December 18th – Las Posadas Celebration- at 2 pm

December 21st – Blue Christmas Service – at 6 pm

December 24th – Christmas Eve Service – at 4 and 6 pm

December 25th – Christmas Day Service – at 10 am.

STONE SOUP/THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Have you heard the story of stone soup? There are various revisions but all focus on the same theme, sharing what you have for the betterment of the community. The theme of our November 20th Thanksgiving service this year is that everyone benefits when we share what we have with others.

Come early and share a bowl of stone soup at 5 pm. The cost is just 2 cans of fruits or vegetables or other needs for the Mission of the month (as listed below). Then stay and hear the story of Stone Soup in our Thanksgiving service at 6 pm.

MISSION OF THE MONTH

The Grace Lutheran Mission Committee has chosen a mission of the month for each going forward. For the month of November, the mission they would like to emphasize and the items of need are as follow:

Benet Place

Canned fruit & Vegetables, Spaghetti Sauce, Pasta, Cereal, Oatmeal, Diapers, Baby Wipes

Salvation Army:

Canned fruit and Vegetables, Stuffing Mix, Cranberry Sauce, Pickles
Please bring your items and place them in the tote as you come in the church. Thank you for your generous offerings for the Mission and Ministry of Grace Lutheran.

USHER TRAINING November 20th for ALL members

Ushering is a ministry of the church serving in this spiritual role as a faithful believer of Christ in His church. It is a privilege to provide this service to the community at Grace Lutheran. The responsibility to serve should be a blessing to you as you bless others with your assistance to maintain an undisturbed worship service.

We are in need of ushers at Grace Lutheran for both services so the same people do not have to do this service every week. This can be done as a family or an individual, male or female, young or old.

There will be usher training on Sunday morning at 9:45 am November 20th This training is for all members who can devote their time to assisting in the worship service in this way. Please consider offering your assistance for this important part of the service.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ASSIST IN OUR WORSHIP:

PASTOR: Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett

READER: Dee Haugan

USHERS & COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Sharon Goble & Adriene Schulz

GREETER: James Goble

PIANIST: Isaak Montemayor

SONG LEADER: Becky Sprouse

CHOIR MEMBERS: Becky Sprouse, Leigh Carstensen, Judy Everson, Kayla Mohling, Riley Sprouse, Marian Raml, Krisma DeWitt, Karen Kasperson

SOUND/VIDEO TECH TEAM: Paul Henrichs, Wyatt Sprouse, Larry Picht

Gary Rukstad, Anthony DeHaan, and Dylan Jordan

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

THANK YOU ~ Vendor Fair

Thank you – to all who helped make the **Vendor Fair** a huge success! Thank you to those who worked the second Saturday – Ann & Karen in the kitchen; Aspen and the confirmation students who were again such a help & blessing; Rebekah, Sherry, Tony, Abby, and Becky who helped with the concessions; Bonnie & Lavina in the Gift Shop; Rhonda & Carol in Grandma's Attic; Ps Cheryl who promoted us on social media, and Rich and Danny who helped set up and then cleaned up. To all the above and those we've forgotten, we could not have done it without you! God Bless! Bobbi & Darlene

Nordefest Gift Shop

Heartfelt thanks to those who faithfully created and/or donated items for the **Nordefest Gift Shop**. We had a **beautiful selection of gifts**, and we had a very successful year! "Thanks to Sherry and Lavina for helping to set up and to Bonnie, Lavina, and Lorraine for helping during Nordefest! You're the best!!" Thank you!! Darlene Bresson

TABLES FOR SALE

The Memorial Committee purchased new lighter weight round tables and is now selling the older ones. Cost of each table is \$20. Stop at the office if you are interested in purchasing one.

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 is given** by Leland Bachman former avid listener and brother of Karyl Somers. The Altar flowers are given by Darcy Raethz & Denise Biller in loving memory of their Dad's birthday (Dave Johnson) on the 10th. 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:

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