

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost ~ October 23, 2022 Grace Lutheran Church - 8:30 AM Service Welcomes Voy to Worship

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PRELUDE

Congregation responses in Bold Print

Welcome and Announcements

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, \pm one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does. Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness, we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven \pm and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN:

"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

ELW 596

1 My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; no merit of my own I claim, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

2 When darkness veils his lovely face,

I rest on his unchanging grace; in ev'ry high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil. *Refrain*

- 3 His oath, his covenant, his blood sustain me in the raging flood; when all supports are washed away, he then is all my hope and stay. Refrain
- 4 When he shall come with trumpet sound,

oh, may I then in him be found, clothed in his righteousness alone,

redeemed to stand before the throne! *Refrain*

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... Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22 Pew Bible p 625

⁷Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name's sake; our apostasies indeed are many, and we have sinned against you.

⁸O hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in

the land, like a traveler turning aside for the night?

⁹Why should you be like someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help? Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not forsake us!

¹⁰Thus says the LORD concerning this people: Truly they have loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet; therefore the LORD does not accept them, now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins.

¹⁹Have you completely rejected Judah? Does your heart loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us? We look for peace, but find no good; for a time of healing, but there is terror instead.

²⁰We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you.

²¹Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us.

²²Can any idols of the nations bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Is it not you, O LORD our God? We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this.

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

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 84:1-7

¹How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts!

²My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

³Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, by the side of your altars,

O LORD of hosts, my king and my God.

⁴Happy are they who dwell in your house! They will always be praising you.

⁵Happy are the people whose strength is in you,

whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

6Those who go through the balsam valley will find it a place of springs, for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

⁷They will climb from height to height, and the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Pew Bible p 968

⁶As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

¹⁶At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! ¹⁷But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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CHILDREN'S TIME

(Please stand as you are able)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

"Alleluia"

ELW p 151

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 18:9-14 Pew Bible p 853

The Holy Gospel according to St Luke, the eighteenth chapter.

Response: Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' ¹³But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

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

(You may be seated)

MESSAGE

SERMON SONG: "God, When Human Bonds Are Broken"

ELW 603

- 1 God, when human bonds are broken and we lack the love or skill to restore the hope of healing, give us grace and make us still.
- 2 Through that stillness, with your Spirit come into our world of stress, for the sake of Christ forgiving all the failures we confess.
- 3 You in us are bruised and broken: hear us as we seek release from the pain of earlier living; set us free and grant us peace.
- 4 Send us, God of new beginnings, humbly hopeful into life.
 Use us as a means of blessing:

make us stronger, give us faith.

5 Give us faith to be more faithful,

give us hope to be more true, give us love to go on learning: God, encourage and renew!

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. (We greet you all in peace.)

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: "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... Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's 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:

God of mercy, you are in the midst of us and we are called by your name. Inspire your church to turn from the old life of sin and self-centeredness to serve and love all people with the unceasing grace you extend to us. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of all creation, you formed a world where even the sparrow finds a home. Preserve the beauty and diversity of all creatures and lead us to protect all living things. Place your shielding hands over those who bring in the harvest from fields and meadows. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of peace, you are an ever-present help in time of trouble. Rescue families and nations torn apart by violence and warfare especially Ukraine, Iraq, and all experiencing bloodshed. Unite us all toward common goals of reconciliation and peace for every person. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of hope, you stand with the suffering and give strength. Comfort your people filled with fear or anger, anxiety or shame, grief or loneliness. Bring healing to all who are sick in body, mind, or spirit especially Rhys, Roy, Shannon, Joyce, Dennis, Jody, Jerry, Dick, Judy, Sharlee, Sylvia, Judy, Lavern, Elvira, Ronald, Cleone, Rick, Carolyn, Roger, Tracy, Caden, Todd, and Robert, those in Care Center, Assisted Living or are homebound. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of restoration, you call us to trust in you and not ourselves alone. Make this congregation grounded in your truth by the coming of the Holy Spirit into our hearts, to be a community of humility and repentance, ready to encounter you in love and follow in your ways of love for others. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of eternal life, to you be the glory forever. We give you thanks for all who have fought the good fight, finished the race, kept the faith, and now live with you. Keep us

in your joyful communion with them until we are reunited at your eternal banquet table. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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.

"Lord Jesus, Think on Me"

- 1 Lord Jesus, think on me, and purge away my sin; from selfish passions set me free and make me pure within.
- 2 Lord Jesus, think on me, by anxious thoughts oppressed; let me your loving servant be and taste your promised rest.

ELW 599

- 3 Lord Jesus, think on me, nor let me go astray; through darkness and perplexity point out your chosen way.
- 4 Lord Jesus, think on me, that, when the flood is past, I may the eternal brightness see and share your joy at last.

"Come, Ye Disconsolate" ELW 607

- 1 Come, ye disconsolate, where'er ye languish; come to the mercy-seat, fervently kneel. Here bring your wounded hearts, here tell your anguish; earth has no sorrow that heav'n cannot heal.
- 2 Joy of the desolate, light of the straying,

hope of the penitent, fadeless and pure; here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying, "Earth has no sorrow that heav'n cannot cure."

3 Here see the Bread of life; see waters flowing forth from the throne of God, pure from above. Come to the feast of love; come, ever knowing earth has no sorrow but heav'n can remove.

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... Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION:

God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

Amen.

SENDING SONG:

"O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts"

ELW 658

- 1 O Jesus, joy of loving hearts, the fount of life, the light of all: from ev'ry bliss that earth imparts we turn, unfilled, to hear your call.
- 2 We taste you, ever-living bread, and long to feast upon you still; we drink of you, the fountainhead; our thirsting souls from you we fill.
- 3 For you our restless spirits yearn, where'er our changing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you turn, blest, when by faith we hold you fast.
- 4 O Jesus, ever with us stay!
 Make all our moments fair and bright!
 Oh, chase the night of sin away!
 Shed o'er the world your holy light.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace... Remember, God is your strength. Thanks be to God. We Will!

Thank you for worshiping with us today!

Announcements for October 23rd

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, Judy Lien, Lavern McPeek, Elvira Moen, Ronald Newell, Cleone Pekelder, Rick Raml, Carolyn Ronke, Roger Rust, Tracy Schaefer, 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 October 23rd to 30th

Today 8:30 am Traditional Worship service w/ Holy Communion

9:30 am – Coffee Fellowship

9:45 Sunday school

10 am - Befriender Communion Training

11 am Contemporary Worship service w/ Holy Communion

Monday 1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters

5:30 pm Banquet

Tuesday 8 am Rosette making

Noon - Watertown Ministerial meeting at HiVee

6 pm – 1st Communion Make-up Class

6:30 pm - Dance Class begins

Wednesday 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

Friday Set-up for Nordefest Plus Saturday 9:30 to 1 pm – Nordefest Plus Sunday REFORMATION SUNDAY

8:30 am Traditional Worship w/Communion & Sending

9:30 am Coffee Fellowship

9:45 Sunday school

11 am Contemporary Worship w/ Communion & Sending

Upcoming Events:

November 5th - Fall Vendor Craft Fair

November 13th – Foundation Day at Worship

November 20th – 6 pm Thanksgiving Service

November 27th—Hanging of the Greens—Advent

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.

Bible Study on the Prophets of the Bible Continues on Wednesday evenings

A study and discussion of God's prophets in the Bible and how these stories and scriptures relate to our world today is being held on Wednesday evening from 6 to 7 pm. Kayla Mohling leads the discussion on what prophet do, why God needs prophets, and the importance of prophets in the Bible. The study is held while children are in Wednesday school, making providing an opportunity for parent to participate. To register and receive an email outline prior to the study, email Kayla at: kayla.i.mohling@gmail.com. Bring your own Bibles.

Nordefest Plus is Saturday

The Lefse is made and the workshops are almost over for the 33rd annual Nordefest Plus activities on Saturday, October 29th. Egg rolls can be order prior to the day from Gwen Peshman to be picked up then. The day will include entertainment, great food, fun shopping at Grandma's Attic and the jewelry store. Come enjoy the fellowship and day at Grace. Hours are 9:30 am to 1 pm. The day includes a noon lunch.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ASSIST IN OUR WORSHIP:

PASTOR: Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett
USHERS: Geri Mohror & Olivia Anderson
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GREETER: Linda Williams

Communion Assistant: Geri Mohror

PIANIST: Isaak Montemayor SONG LEADER: Leigh Carstensen

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

Gary Rukstad and Anthony DeHaan.

Pastoral Calls: You can reach Pastor Cheryl at 605-237-1501(cell or text) or

"Got it at Grace" Saturday November 5th

Over 14 crafters are already signed up with several vendors ready to sell their wares at the Fall Craft and Vendor Fair. Besides a day for shopping, there will be concessions during the day to stop by and enjoy a great lunch. Mark your calendars to stop between 9 am and 3 pm, Saturday November 5th.

Tables for Sale

The Memorial Committee has purchased new lighter weight round tables and 8 ft long rectangle tables and will now sell several of the older tables. 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** in loving memory of Roy & Doris Schmeling from the Schmeling Radio Fund. The Altar flowers are given by Will Morlock on what would be the 54th Anniversary for Pat and Will. 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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