

# Grace

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Sunday, August 10th, 2025  
Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### GATHERING

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

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in this place,  
some empty, some filled,  
some whole, some broken:

**yearning for the Holy Spirit to fill us.**

We come, with these ordinary people,  
who have shown us the way:

**trusting that God will continue  
to illumine our hearts.**

We surround the Table of grace  
so we might be fed by the Bread of life:

**that graced, we may serve others;  
that healed, we may bring hope to the world.**

#### GATHERING HYMN

Shout To The Lord

ELW 821

#### 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.**

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Almighty God,  
you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples  
creating bold tongues, open ears,  
and a new community of faith.

**We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us.  
We do not listen for your word of grace,  
speak the good news of your love,  
or live as a people made one in Christ**

**Have mercy on us, O God.  
Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit,**

**and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people,  
doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**Amen.**

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**CANTICLE OF PRAISE**

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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, **you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

**FIRST READING**

**Genesis 15:1-6**

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSIVE READING**

**Psalms 33:12-22**

<sup>12</sup> Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord!

Happy the people chosen to be God's heritage!

<sup>13</sup> **The Lord looks down from heaven,  
and sees all humankind.**

<sup>14</sup> God sits firmly enthroned and watches  
all who dwell on the earth.

<sup>15</sup> **God fashions all their hearts  
and observes all their deeds.**

<sup>16</sup> A king is not saved by the size of the army,  
nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.

<sup>17</sup> **The horse gives vain hope for victory;  
despite its great strength it cannot save.**

<sup>18</sup> Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O Lord,  
upon those who wait for your steadfast love,

<sup>19</sup> **to deliver their lives from death,  
and to keep them alive in time of famine.**

<sup>20</sup> Our innermost being waits for you, O Lord,  
our helper and our shield.

<sup>21</sup> **Surely, our heart rejoices in you,  
for in your holy name we put our trust.**

<sup>22</sup> Let your lovingkindness, O Lord, be upon us,  
even as we place our hope in you.

## SECOND READING

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia!

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The holy gospel according to Luke.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

## GOSPEL

Luke 12:32-40

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

## SERMON

## HYMN OF THE DAY

**Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness**

ELW 843

## APOSTLES CREED

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

## OFFERING

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Mission of the Month – Salvation Army One Roof Program  
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## OFFERING HYMN

**Here is Bread**

ELW 483

## OFFERING PRAYER

Bountiful God,  
**we come with our offerings in response to your love.**  
**With the new life in Christ,**  
**we give ourselves in service to others.**  
**With the energy bestowed by the Spirit,**  
**we seek to inflame all your people with a zeal for your way.**  
**Receive the work we do,**  
**and the gifts we bring,**  
**that they may become a blessing in your sight.**  
**Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Keep the heart of your church set firmly in you so that, with lamps lit and attentive to Christ's call at any time or place, your people are ready to respond with faithful action for the sake of the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Let your lovingkindness be on those in need (especially those on our prayer list). Assure all who are afraid or experiencing great uncertainty that your promises are sure. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

You know the actions and deeds of the nations. Turn humanity away from instruments of war and violence. Fashion the hearts of world leaders to work for peace. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING  
THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

**The King of Love My Shepherd Is  
O Master Let Me Walk With You**

**ELW 502**

**ELW 818**

**COMMUNION PRAYER**

Living One, **in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.**  
**Amen.**

**BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.  
**Amen.**

**SENDING SONG**

**When Peace Like A River**

**ELW 785**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for coffee after worship!  
Also, take note of the new quilted banners that volunteers have made for the FH