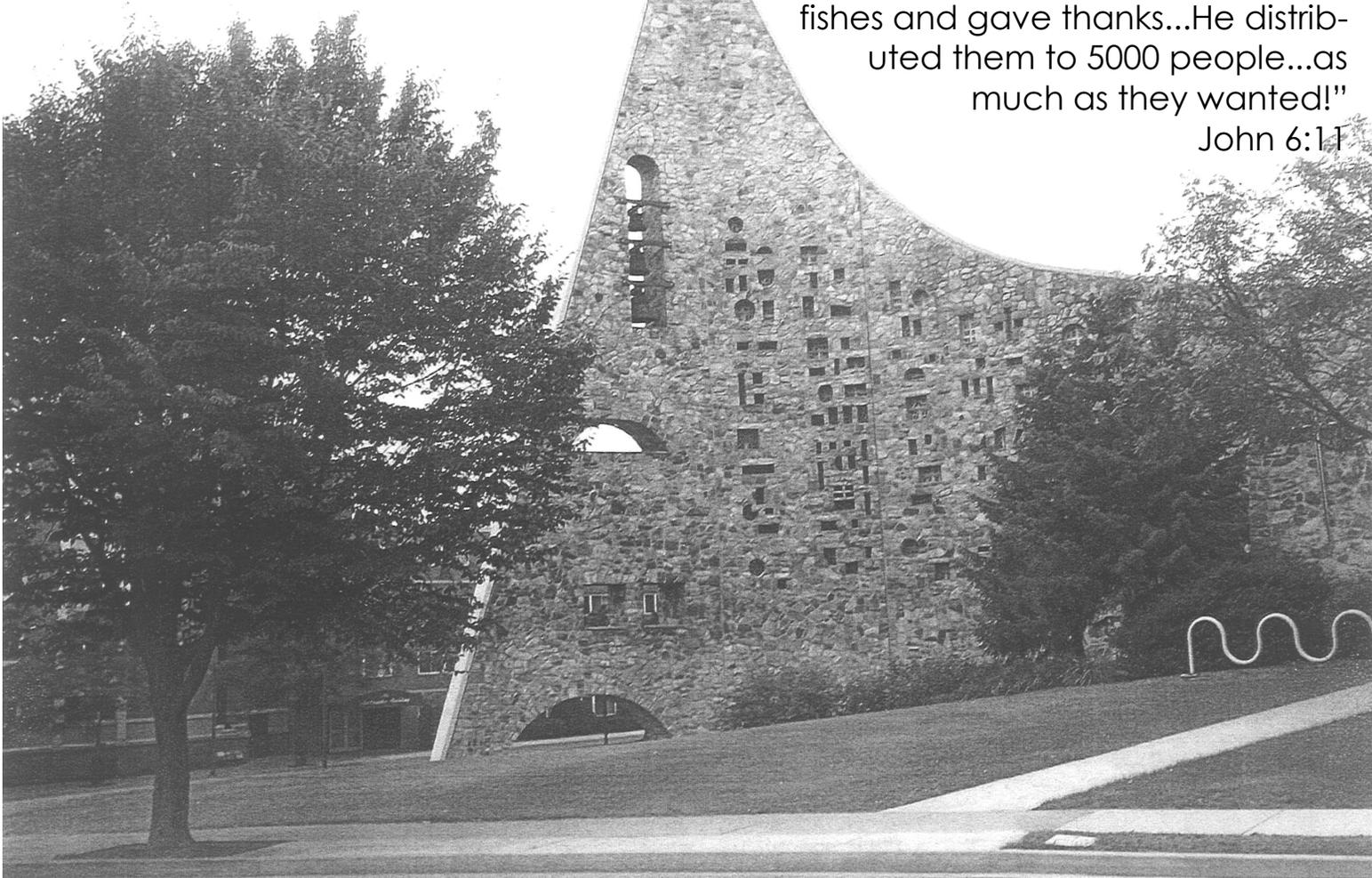


Welcome to **GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

A congregation of the ELCA

"Jesus took the five loaves and two fishes and gave thanks...He distributed them to 5000 people...as much as they wanted!"

John 6:11



SUNDAY, JULY 29, 2018
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

205 S. Garner St., State College, PA 16801

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9:00 and 10:30 a.m. worship service

Today's Hymns

#ELW 836

#ELW 595

#ELW 504

Distribution

#ELW 515

#ELW 689



Our Mission Statement: *"Grace Lutheran Church is energized by the Holy Spirit and nurtured through God's Word and Sacrament to **gather, feed, and send** people in the name of Jesus Christ."*

ABOUT TODAY'S THEME... Today is the first of five Sundays with gospel readings from John 6, the first four of which focus on Jesus as bread of life. Today Jesus feeds thousands of people with five loaves and two fish. What we have, what we bring to Jesus' table, seems like it is not nearly enough to meet all the needs we see around us. But it is not the adequacy of our supplies or our skills that finally makes the difference: it is the power of Jesus working in the littlest and least to transform this world into the world God desires, a world where all the hungry are satisfied.

ABOUT THE LESSONS.... **The First Lesson:** Today's reading is part of a larger section of 2 Kings that describes the miracles of Elisha, the successor to Elijah. Here the prophet gives food to a hungry crowd. Though there is not enough food to go around, Elisha trusts God, who provides enough and even more to satisfy the need. **The Second Lesson:** We have been rooted and grounded in the love of Christ, which surpasses all human knowledge. Because Christ dwells in our hearts, our lives are continuously strengthened and empowered by the ongoing presence of the Spirit. **The Gospel Lesson:** In John's gospel, the miracles of Jesus are called "signs," because they reveal the true character of God. As such, they remain within the mystery of God and cannot be brought under human control. .



All are welcome to our weekly "coffee hour" in Harkins Hall following the 9 AM service!

↑ = Please stand as you are able

↓ = Please be seated

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Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church - State College, Pennsylvania

PRELUDE *Andante con moto in F major op. 52 no 4* Guilmant

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

↑ Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Congregation: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

↓ P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Kneel/Sit

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

GATHER

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

↑ PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*.....ELW #836

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

C: And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE

(ELW p. 149)

Refrain

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

C: 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.

FEED

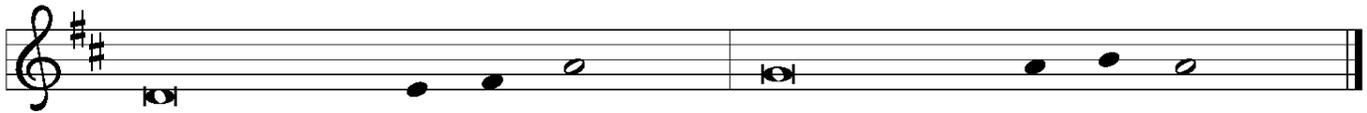
*God speaks to us in scripture reading,
and feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

↓ (9 & 10:30) CHILDREN’S MESSAGE.....Megan Stoltzfus
We welcome everyone to worship and encourage children of all ages to participate fully in our service. Qualified nursery care is available as needed. The nursery is located in room 202.

FIRST LESSON..... 2 Kings 4:42-44 (pew Bible p. 293)

⁴²A 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.” ⁴³But 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.’” ⁴⁴He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

PSALM 145 — Please sing responsively from the selected verses.



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L: ¹⁰All your works shall praise | you, O LORD,
and your faithful | ones shall bless you.

C: ¹¹**They shall tell of the glory | of your kingdom
and speak | of your power,**

L: ¹²that all people may know | of your power
and the glorious splendor | of your kingdom.

C: ¹³**Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures
through- | out all ages.**

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

L: ¹⁴The Lord upholds all | those who fall
and lifts up those who | are bowed down.

C: ¹⁷**You are righteous in | all your ways
and loving in | all your works.**

SECOND LESSON..... Ephesians 3:14-21(pew Bible p. 951)

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶I 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, ¹⁷and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL.....John 6:1-14 (pew Bible p. 867)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 6th chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.** (*spoken*)

¹Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ²A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵When 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?" ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." ⁸One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" ¹⁰Jesus 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. ¹¹Then 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. ¹²When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." ¹³So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴When 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."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.** (*spoken*)

↓ SERMON.....Pastor Lynn

↑ HYMN OF THE DAY *Jesus Loves Me*.....ELW #595

APOSTLES' CREED

C: 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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Response after each petition:

P: Lord, in your mercy

C: Hear our prayer.

WE SHARE THE LORD'S PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

↓ OFFERTORY *Lord, Make Me an Instrument*.....Laurel Sanders
Laurel Sanders, soprano; Sarah Rodgers, clarinet; Susan Buda, cello; Laura Pauley, piano

↑ OFFERTORY SONG.....(ELW #184)

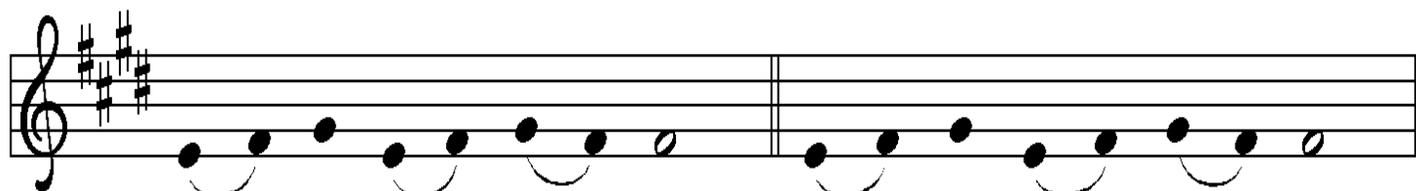
C: Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing, Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

P: Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.

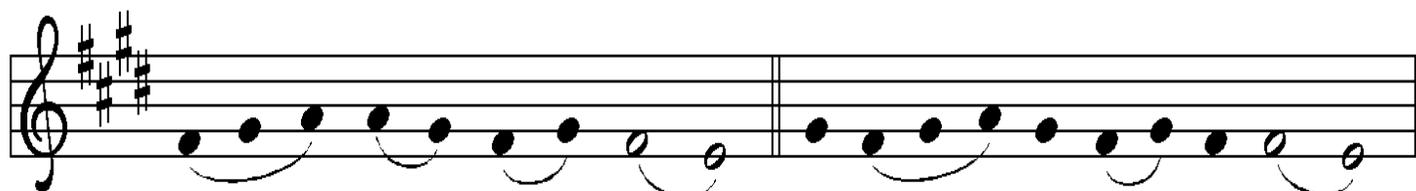
C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

(ELW p. 152)



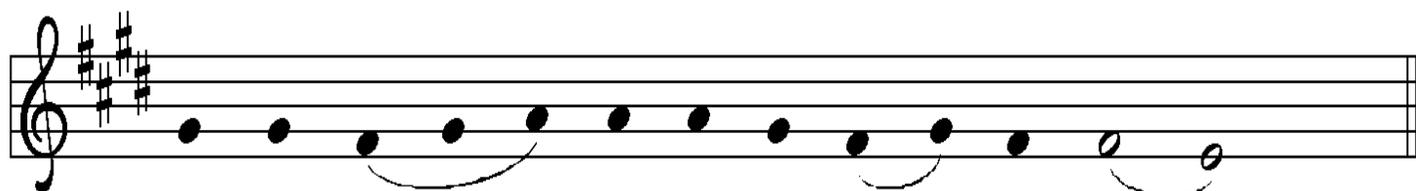
P: The Lord be with you. **C:** And al - so with you.



P: Lift up your hearts. **C:** We lift them to the Lord.



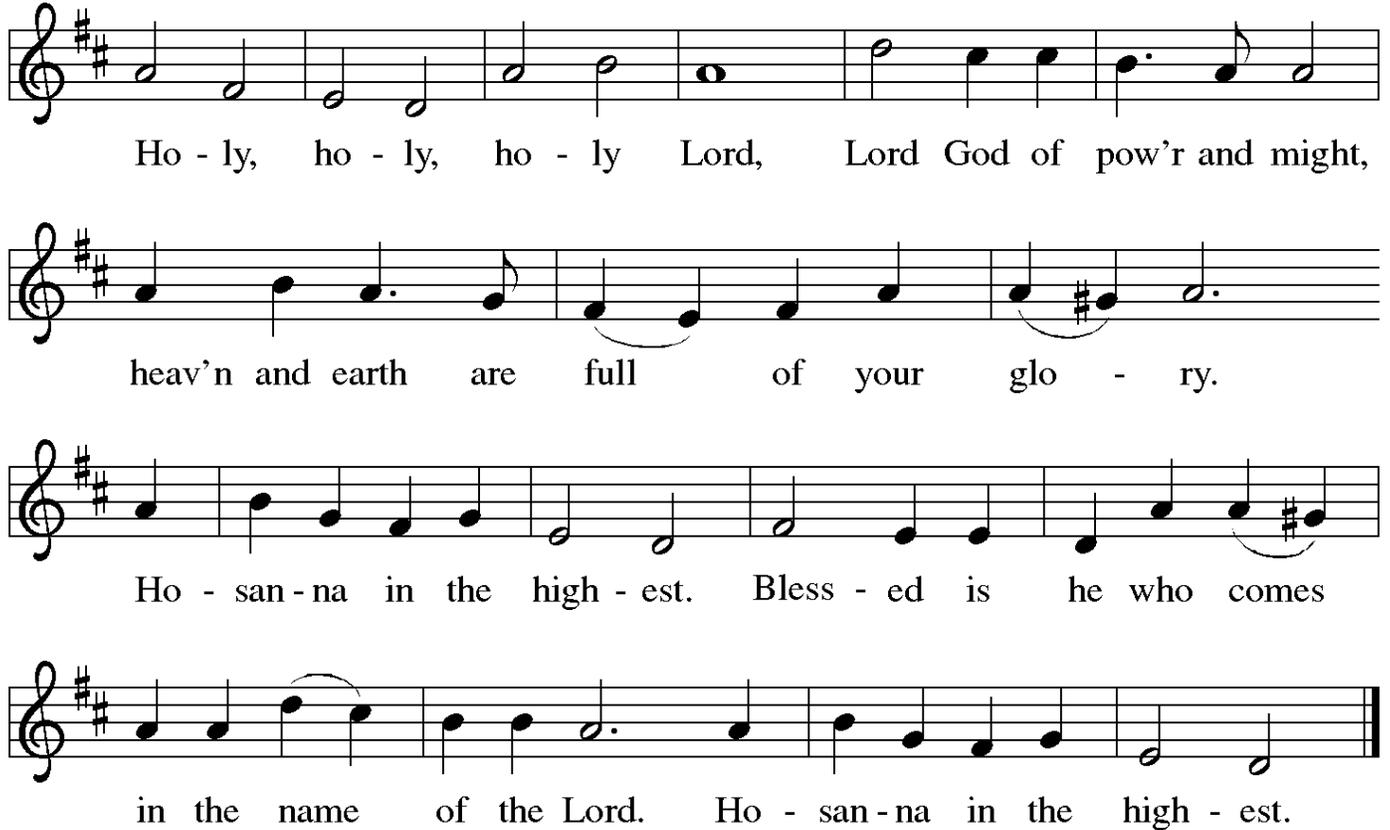
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: (ELW p. 153)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

P: Everlasting God, the whole universe sings a new song of praise: the rivers clap their hands, the hills ring out for joy. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us voices ready to cry out for justice and proclaim resurrection joy wherever your Spirit leads us.

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.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: God of salvation and resurrection, pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and grace. And to you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be praise and honor, now and forever.

C: Amen.

C: 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: The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, the meal is ready.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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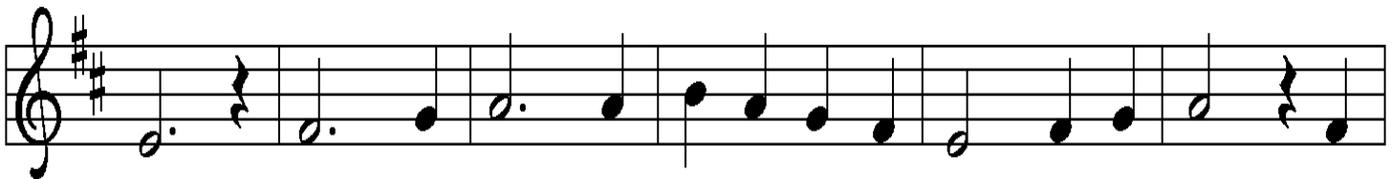


All who are baptized are invited to join the congregation in receiving the Savior's Body and Blood. Children not yet receiving Communion are invited forward for a blessing. Rice wafers and grape juice are available for those who have sensitivities to wheat or alcohol. An acolyte has a special tray with these alternative communion elements.

C: (ELW p.154)



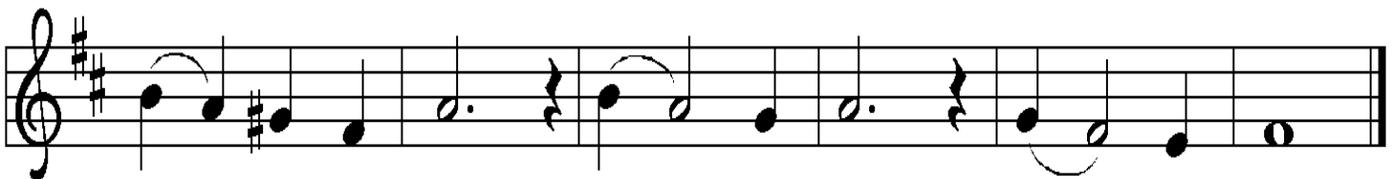
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Distribution: *On Wings of Song*Mendelssohn
Deep Rivertrad. Spiritual
 Laurel Sanders, flute; Sarah Rodgers, clarinet; Susan Buda, cello

COMMUNION HYMNS:
 ELW #515 -- *Break Now the Bread of Life*
 ELW #689 -- Praise and Thanksgiving



P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
 C: **Amen.**

C:

Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done. Let
 ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re - jice and bear the name of Christ.
 Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with
 shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

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P: O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. As you send us into the world, guard us from the power of evil, keep us in unity with all your people, and by your Spirit move us to testify to your grace in our words and actions; through Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

SEND

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

HYMN *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*.....ELW #504

A: Go in peace; serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude *Prelude and Fugue in C major BWV 553* J.S.Bach



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Grace Lutheran

Announcements for the Week of Sunday, July 29, 2018

The August selection for the **GARDEN OF READIN'** (women's book club) is *Before We Were Yours* by Lisa Wingate. This is the selection of Joyce Snider and she will be facilitating the discussions Tuesday, August 21 at 10:30 am in the Stinson Library and 6:00 pm in Fireside.

REMINDER...Pastor Lynn begins retirement Sept. 1st, but he is taking vacation through August. His last Sunday to be in worship is today.

LECTORS...The August sign-up sheets are in the narthex. Thanks to those who have served as lectors in the past. Veterans and **new** readers of all ages are also encouraged to sign up!

ACOLYTES NEEDED...We are looking to expand our roster of acolytes for all services. The commitment is typically one service per month and we work around your family schedule. It is also a great way to involve kids in the worship service. Please contact Stephanie Fozard at steph@fozards.com if interested.

Lutheran Fall Festival

Saturday, September 22, 2018

Legion Park, Hollidaysburg

Vendors, Food, Music

Festival Hours: 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.
Dinner from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Candlelight Worship at 6:30 p.m.

The Festival is FREE

Dinner Tickets are \$10

Dinner provided by Holland Bros.

Please pick up an order form at the Welcome Center



Worship Assistants for Sunday, July 29, 2018

	8:00 A.M.	9:00 A.M.	10:30 A.M.
Lectors	Dotty Delafield	Anne Rohrbach	Linda Schul
Greeters	Martha Musser	Louise Tarman	Leslie Wagner Bob Larson Sharon Rivell
Acolytes			Emilio Schul Sophia & Mirabella Bills
Deacons	Don Widener	John Diercks Rachel Wolkenhauer	Rich & Sharon Rivell
Worship Assistant	Dave Pencek		
Cantor		Sarah Rodgers	Sarah Rodgers
Ushers		Eric Kauffman Shawn Kauffman Martha Musser Carol Findley Gorman Findley	Brian Bills Jeya Chandra Beth Shafranko Ken Shafranko
Radio Ministry; Sound			Karl Hosterman
Coffee Hour Hosts 10:00-10:30 a.m.			The Stoltzfus Family
Welcoming Center Hosts		Joann McCormick	Jim & Lynda Stephenson
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The *altar flowers* are sponsored by Tena Ishler and Family
in memory of Marge Van Tries

This morning's *bulletin* is sponsored by Don and Deana Coine
Dedicated to the honor of Dawn and Donald M. Coine III's wedding anniversary

Today's *radio broadcast* on WRSC - 1390 AM is sponsored
by Mark and Karen Mrsa to the Glory of God.

PRAYER CONCERNS for July 29, 2018

All Military & Nat'l Guard and those serving in war-torn Countries Sam Alexander Susa Antle Dave Asencio Dick Burke Scott Cocolin Sara Cocolin Paul & Lois Confer & family, friends of Phil Vollmer Cathy Cutter's parents Winnie Deppen Pastor Dowhower Norm Fischer Sue Forster Rich Gamble, father of Holly Stoltzfus Vicki Garvin Herb & Nancy Graves Barbara Hackenberry's daughter	Sherry Harrington Skylar Hill Shaun Hintosh Lenore Horner Sadie Hounshell, friend of the Davis' Betty Houts Tena Ishler's friend Candy Michael William Kebble Curtis Krebs, brother of Sandy Cassady Pete Krewson, father of Erin Tusar Jim Leslie Paul Lloyd Phil Lucas Sam & Julia McCracken Jo Anne Miller Bobby Misher Al Musgrave Amy Nevling Maryann Newcomb	Scott Rearick—Sally & Carl's friend Kristin(Palmgren)Roman & family Lisa Sell Victoria Smith William Snape, Sr., brother of Phyllis Favorite Marlowe Stiger Jack Sylves, grandson of Tom and Marge Eakin Scott Swackhammer, nephew of Karen & Mark Mrsa Lisa Thomas—Sally & Carl's friend Tammy Jo Trinidad Karen Tupman, Phyllis Favorite's cousin Greg Weimer Ross Weimer, Greg Weimer's Father Ben Whisler Kathleen Wolfhope, friend of the Flanagan family
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Weekly Prayer Letter of Encouragement

"Don't pray when you feel like it. Have an appointment with the Lord and keep it. A person is powerful on their knees." ~ Corrie ten Boom

We at Grace strive to be a people of prayer. Each week in our bulletin we list Grace members or people connected to our Grace family who are in need of our prayers. Each week, one person is selected to receive a special letter of encouragement. Please sign the letter in the Upper Commons or Narthex and pray for that person this week.

This week the Prayer Letter will be sent to Greg Weimer.



Prayer is a powerful gift and tool God gives to us. *Please pray for the request each day of the week during your daily prayer time. Just think how powerful it would be if all our members prayed for the same thing each day.*

I ask you to thank God for the gift of grace & love we all receive through Jesus. I ask you to pray God gives you strength to respond to that gift in love & humble service.

Pastor Lynn

Picnic in the Park



Play dates in the park have ended for the year but we are having a picnic in the park at Spring Creek Park Pavilion #1 today, **Sunday, July 29** from 12-3 p.m. At this end-of-summer picnic, we will provide meat for a

cookout, paper products and beverages; simply bring a side dish or dessert to share.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Cindy Fritz.

School Supplies for Lutheran World Relief

When you buy school supplies, why not buy a few more to help fill a school kit for Lutheran World Relief? Comfort Makers are busy sewing backpacks and still have kits available in the Upper Commons if you can help sew one or two. Middle School and High School students will be filling the school kits as a mission project this fall. The following school supplies are needed.

For one backpack:

- Four 70 sheet notebooks of wide or college-ruled, approximately 8 x 10 ½ “, no loose leaf paper.
- One 30 centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- *One pencil sharpener
- One blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- Five, unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band)
- Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons
- One 2 ½ “ eraser



You may leave your donations in the designated basket in the Upper Commons.



Grace's Faith Formation Ministries is sponsoring a Summer Reading Challenge here at Grace for both children and adults. Earn prizes while exploring the Bible this summer!!!! Options exist for Pre & Early Readers as well as Advanced Readers. The Pre-readers & Early Readers will be working their way through the *Jesus Storybook Bible* while reading 4 stories a week. Advanced Readers (children & adults) will be reading the Gospel of Mark averaging 1 – 2 chapters a week. Challenge Guides are available in the Narthex and the Church Office . *Jesus Storybook Bibles* will be provided for those who select that option. The challenge runs from now through – August 26.



GRACE GARDEN GIVEAWAY

Throughout the summer there is a table in the Garner Street side of the narthex for vegetables, fruits or flowers from the gardens of Grace members. Also, feel free to take any produce that has been donated. Thanks to both the givers and receivers.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH SOFTBALL SCHEDULE FOR JULY

Date	Home	Visitor	Field	Time
7/30	GLC	Oakwood Presby.	Hess 4	6:30 PM

Come out and support the team!

Sunday morning sponsorships

Thank you to all who have signed up to sponsor the altar flowers, bulletins or radio broadcast. To help you and the church office keep track of your payment for the sponsorships, please take an envelope located in the niche at the sign up sheets to remind you of the date you selected and the amount due Grace Lutheran by your sponsorship date. A new procedure will be implemented effective July 1, 2018 that if payment has not been received by the church office by the sponsorship date, a friendly reminder will be sent the following week to the person(s) who signed up to be a sponsor. If you feel you have received the friendly reminder in error, please by all means contact the church office (238-2478; churchoffice@glcpa.org) so we can straighten out the matter.

Thank you



*This Week
At Grace*

Sunday, July 29

- 8:00 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 9:00 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 10:30 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 12:00 p.m.....Picnic in the park, Spring Creek Park Houserville
- 4:00 p.m.....Psalm 151 Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 6:00 p.m.....Casual Worship w/ Holy Communion, Sanctuary

Monday, July 30

- 6:30 p.m.....GLC Softball, Hess Field

Tuesday, July 31

No scheduled church activities

Wednesday, Aug 1

- 4:00 p.m.....Stephen Ministry Supervision, Library

Thursday, Aug 2

Bulletin Announcements due at 9 AM

- 7:00 a.m.....Women's Breakfast Prayer Group, Waffle Shop-North

Friday, Aug 3

No scheduled church activities

Saturday, Aug 4

No scheduled church activities