

TRINITY 7

[Jesus said:] "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them.

MATTHEW 5:17

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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WELCOME! We welcome our guests and visitors this morning and pray that your worship with us will be meaningful, blessed, and especially Christ-centered. We hope that you will worship with us again soon! If you do not have a church home, we invite you to consider making Grace Lutheran your church home.

IN THE INTEREST of good pastoral care, Grace Lutheran Church practices close communion. We believe, teach and confess that the one Holy Apostolic Christian Church throughout history and Holy Scripture teach that those who commune together should be one in faith and doctrine. For this reason, we reserve Holy Communion for those who are confirmed members of Grace Lutheran Church, and for confirmed members in good standing of sister LC-MS congregations. We respectfully ask those who are members of other church bodies to commune at the altar of their church, in accordance with their public confessions and under the care of their pastor.

THOSE who serve us:

REMEMBER in your prayers: Jan Flueckinger, DeOnna Anderson, Bob Mills, Jim Kamerzell, Edna Schaer, Kristy Winter, Wynn Coon, Bonnie and Leonard Harris, Korbin Sommerville, Karen Prussia, Helen Kling, Rev. Michael Wittrock, Nancy Russell, Marvin Roth, Pat Harris



Hymn: 581 These Are the Holy Ten Commands sts. 1–2, 11–12



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Please stand, as you are able

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen. [Matthew 28:19]
- Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. [Hebrews 10:22]
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Psalm 32:5

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

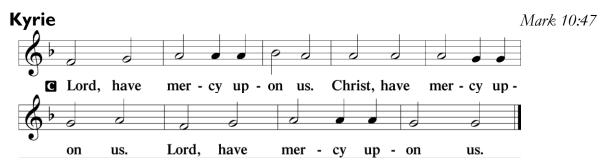
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Holy Spirit.

 C Amen. [John 20:19-23]



Clap your hands, all | peoples!*
Shout to God with loud | songs of joy!

For the LORD, the Most High, is | to be feared,* a great king over | all the earth.







Salutation and Collect of the Day



Let us pray. O God, whose never-failing providence orders all things both in heaven and earth, we humbly implore You to put away from us all hurtful things and to give us those things that are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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2 Timothy 4:22

⁷Then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature. ⁸And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed. ⁹And out of the ground the LORD God made to spring up every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

¹⁰A river flowed out of Eden to water the garden, and there it divided and became four rivers. ¹¹The name of the first is the Pishon. It is the one that flowed around the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold. ¹²And the gold of that land is good; bdellium and onyx stone are there. ¹³The name of the second river is the Gihon. It is the one that flowed around the whole land of Cush. ¹⁴And the name of the third river is the Tigris, which flows east of Assyria. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.

¹⁵The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

A This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.



Come, O children, lis- | ten to me;*
 I will teach you the fear | of the LORD.

Those who look to him are | radiant,*
 and their faces shall never | be ashamed.

Epistle Romans 6:19–23

¹⁹I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²²But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

A This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Stand

Verse of the Day

Psalm 47:1

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

P Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Mark. 8:1-9

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eighth chapter.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

Jesus Feeds the Four Thousand

¹In those days, when again a great crowd had gathered, and they had nothing to eat, [Jesus] called his disciples to him and said to them, ²"I have compassion on the crowd, because they have been with me now three days and have nothing to eat. ³And if I send them away hungry to their homes, they will faint on the way. And some of them have come from far away." ⁴And his disciples answered him, "How can one feed these people with bread here in this desolate place?" ⁵And he asked them, "How many loaves do you have?" They said, "Seven." ⁶And he directed the crowd to sit down on the ground. And he took the seven loaves, and having given thanks, he broke them and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; and they set them before the crowd. ⁷And they had a few small fish. And having blessed them, he said that these also should be set before them. ⁸And they ate and were satisfied. And they took up the broken pieces left over, seven baskets full. ⁹And there were about four thousand people. And he sent them away.

Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the **Scriptures**

and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.





5 Well He knows what best to grant me;

All the longing hopes that haunt me,

Joy and sorrow, have their day. I shall doubt His wisdom never; As God wills, so be it ever;

I commit to Him my way.

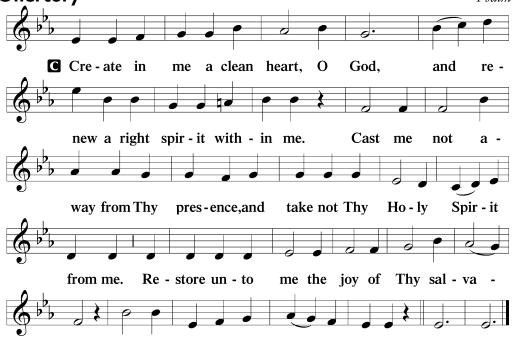
6 If my days on earth He lengthen, God my weary soul will strengthen;

All my trust in Him I place. Earthly wealth is not abiding, Like a stream away is gliding; Safe I anchor in His grace.

Sermon

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. • Amen. Philippians 4:7





tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

[Offering at the back of church] [1 Cor. 9:14; Gal. 6:6-7; 1 Tim. 5:17-18]

Prayer of the Church

Let us pray to the Lord our God, King over all the earth, who reigns over the nations from His holy throne, that He would graciously receive our prayers and praises and subdue the devil, the world and our sinful flesh under our feet, that we may share in the victory that Christ has won for us.

For our missionaries in this country and around the world, that all people would receive the bread of everlasting life given in the Word and Sacraments of Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **C** Lord, have mercy.

- For those who labor to produce food and shelter, safety and peace, especially for those in need, that their work would be blessed and we would be led to recognize God's gracious hand in all things and receive our daily bread with thanksgiving, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

- For the fruit of the earth, that our merciful Father, without whose care and preservation all things wither and die, would open the windows of heaven and send bountiful rain on us to revive and renew the land, let us pray to the Lord:

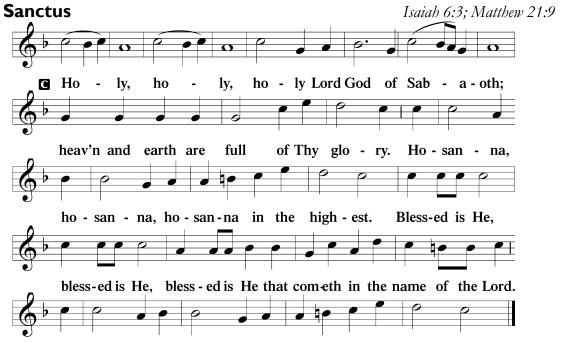
 C Lord, have mercy.
- For all mankind, made in God's image and having dignity and worth in His sight, that His gift of earthly life would be defended at every age, from natural conception to natural death, and that all people may live in peace, let us pray to the Lord:

 C Lord, have mercy.
- For those in need, [especially ,] let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For those gathered here to receive the Lord's Supper, that they would be given the true bread from heaven, the body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ, and even in the wilderness of this world may share in the eternal life of paradise, let us pray to the Lord: C Lord, have mercy.
- All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

- P The Lord be with you. C And with thy spirit. 2 Timothy 4:22
- P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them up unto the Lord. [Colossians 3:1]
- P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. [Psalm 136]
- It is meet and right so to do. [Meet means 'fitting, proper.']
- It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels

and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

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.

The Words of Our Lord

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20;

1 Corinthians 11:23-25

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini John 20:19

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. C Amen.

Agnus Dei John 1:29

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Sit

Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins. **Amen.**

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins. **Amen.**

We ask all who desire to receive communion to please read the communion statement at the front of the bulletin. Following Communion, the following is said:

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.

C Amen.

Distribution Hymn: 819 Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good



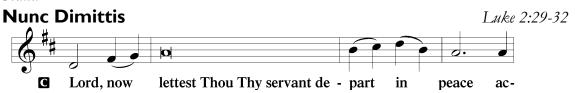
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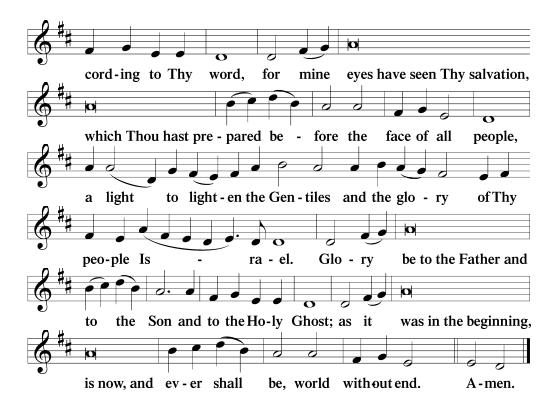




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Stand





Thanksgiving Psalm 107:1

- A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- and His mercy endureth forever.
- Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. CAmen.
- P The Lord be with you. C And with thy spirit. 2 Timothy 4:22

Benedicamus [Psalm 103:1]

A Bless we the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

BenedictionNumbers 6:24-26

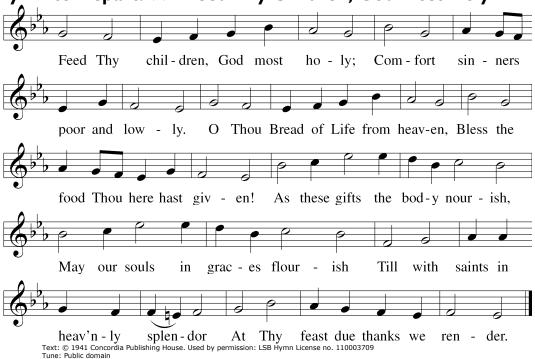
The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.

C Amen, amen, amen.

Hymn to Depart: 774 Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy



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Romans 6:22 – "But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life." The fruits of faith in Christ are the good works of a faithful Christian life. We have received grace upon

grace in the free forgiveness of our sins, and so we are now free to go forth and bear fruit in serving our neighbor in the home, the church, and society.

Budget for 2021: \$124,440; Weekly Need: \$2,393 As of July 1st we have received: \$67,930.13 (\$2,717.21 Average/Week)

May Mission Project (Bible Sticks): \$361; Helping Pastor and Jennifer Wittrock: \$544; June Mission Project (LWML): \$531.50 Total Mission Giving YTD: \$3,514

Thanks be to God for your generosity, especially to Pastor and Jennifer Wittrock!

The health insurance account for pastor and his family has been fully funded, over and above. The district mission pledge continues to be met monthly.

What an outpouring of gifts you have given, thanks be to God for the generous giving of His people!

JULY MISSIONS: Helping at Home

We sing a prayer in that patriotic song, "God bless our native land, strong may she ever stand!" This month our missions project will go to provide supplies for our little foodbank at church, as well as providing funds to help the needy in our community.

A BIG THANK YOU to Rebekah Pobanz, who has played the organ several times for us this summer. We're very grateful to have you with us!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be August 9th-13th. If you know any children who should be there, bring 'em! If you'd like to volunteer, let Pastor know.



We All Believe
Vacation Bible School

