

TRINITY 16

You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD! He is their help and their shield.

PSALM 115:11

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, 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, Lori Armstrong, Leora Likens, Bob Reutter, the Kamerzell family





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.
- 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]

Introit *Psalm 86:1, 7, 12–13; antiphon: vv. 3, 5*



Be gracious to me, | O Lord,* for to you do I cry | all the day.

For you, O Lord, are good and for- | giving,* abounding in steadfast love to all who call up- | on you.

Incline your ear, O LORD, and | answer me,* for I am poor and | needy.

In the day of my trouble I call up- | on you,* for you | answer me.

I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with | my whole heart,* and I will glorify your name for- | ever.

For great is your steadfast | love toward me;* you have delivered my soul from the depths | of Sheol.

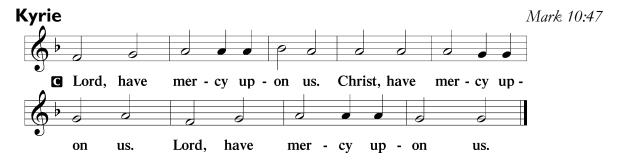
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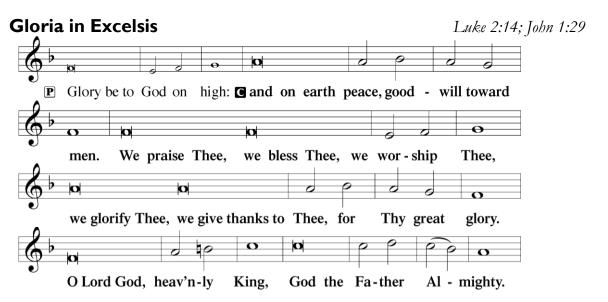
as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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For you, O Lord, are good and for- | giving,* abounding in steadfast love to all who call up- | on you.







Salutation and Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spir - it.

2 Timothy 4:22

Let us pray. O'Lord, we pray that Your grace may always go before and follow after us, that we may continually be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 17:17–24

Elijah Raises the Widow's Son

17 After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill. And his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. ¹⁸ And she said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!" ¹⁹ And he said to her, "Give me your son." And he took him from her arms and carried him up into the upper chamber where he lodged, and laid him on his own bed. ²⁰ And he cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by killing her son?" ²¹ Then he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again." ²² And the LORD listened to the voice of Elijah. And the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. ²³ And Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house and delivered him to his mother. And Elijah said, "See, your son lives." ²⁴ And the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth."

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



Nations will fear the name | of the LORD,* and all the kings of the earth will fear your | glory. For the LORD builds up | Zion;* he appears in his | glory.

Epistle Ephesians 3:13–21

¹³So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory.

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸may have strength 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, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

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Stand

Verse of the Day

Psalm 95:1

- C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.
- You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD! He is their help and their shield. C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel Luke 7:11–17

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventh chapter.
- Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹¹Soon afterward [Jesus] went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. ¹²As he drew near to the gate of the town, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and a considerable crowd from the town was with her. ¹³And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." ¹⁴Then he came up and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." ¹⁵And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. ¹⁶Fear seized them all, and

they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!" ¹⁷And this report about him spread through the whole of Judea and all the surrounding country.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C**

Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

CI 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;

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.

who for us men and for our

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.

Hymn of the Day: 758 The Will of God Is Always Best 1 The will of God is al - ways best And shall be done for -2 God is mv com - fort my trust, My hope and life and 3 Lord. this Ι ask. plea, De - ny hear my me not 4 When life's brief course on And this world am earth is run Him ev And they who trust are blest; er; bid ing; And to His coun - sel, wise and just, fa vor: When Sa tan sore - ly trou - bles me, "Your be done," Grant will leav ing, me to say, He will for - sake them helps in - deed nev He In er. Him con - fid ver - y yield, in ing. The hairs. His do let me guard me well. My not wa ver. O faith - ful Word be - liev ing. My dear - est Friend, Ι time of need; He chas-tens with for - bear - ing. They who de -Word de-clares, Up-on my head He num - bers. By night and Ful - fill Your faith - ful fear dis - pel. say - ing: All be who now com-mend My soul in - to Your keep - ing; From sin and On God, their friend, Shall not be left spair - ing. de pend He slum - bers. day God is stay; nev - er sleeps nor my

Sermon

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The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Philippians 4:7

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

Thy free spir-it.

- In peace, let us pray to the Lord: C Lord, have mercy. $|\mathbf{P}|$
- \mathbf{P} For confidence in Christ, who is risen to put an end to death, that we would not lose heart in the face of sorrow, that the Spirit would strengthen us with His power, and that we would know the love of Christ, that through Him we will no longer weep, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- \mathbf{P} For all laborers and their protection, that their work would be done not from self-interest but in love for their neighbors; and for the unemployed and underemployed, that God would sustain them and bring their gifts to full use for the benefit of all, let us pray to the Lord:
- Lord, have mercy. C

A - men.

- For those whose homes and lives are threatened by the fires near Crawford and Gering, and for the firefighters who place their lives in danger for the love of their neighbors, that they would not lose heart in the face of suffering and danger, but trust in the Lord in all things, and the fires be quickly extinguished, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For widows, shut-ins and those who live alone, that as God gave aid to the widows of Zarephath and Nain, so He would also provide faithful friends and companions to the lonely, encouraging them in faith and love, let us pray to the Lord:

 C Lord, have mercy.
- For all who are ill or receiving treatments, <u>[especially 1]</u> that they would be relieved of discomfort and granted healing and recovery according to God's will, and so glorify Him in all things, let us pray to the Lord: **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For all who receive the Sacrament this day, that they would rejoice at Christ's visitation with His body and blood and receive the gift of sins forgiven in true faith, 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.

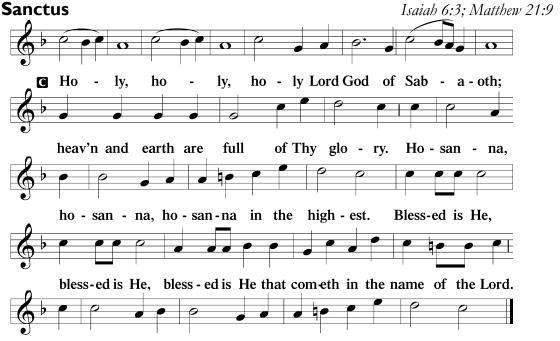
SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

- 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.']

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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. 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

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

Matthew 6:9-13

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:

P 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.

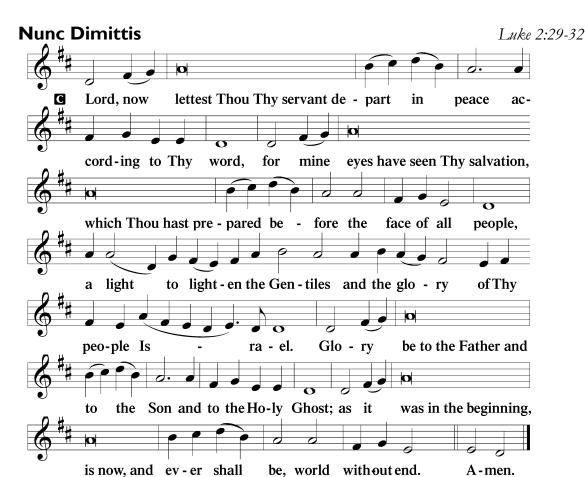
Distribution Hymn: 737 Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing



- 5 He only will with patience chide, His rod falls gently down;And all your sins He casts aside In ocean depths to drown.
- 6 His wisdom never plans in vain Nor falters nor mistakes.All that His counsels may ordain A blessèd ending makes.
- 7 Upon your lips, then, lay your hand,
 And trust His guiding love;
 Then like a rock your peace shall stand
 Here and in heav'n above.

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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.

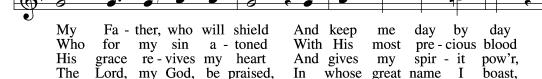
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

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

C Amen, amen, amen.

Hymn to Depart: 794 The Lord, My God, Be Praised







And make each mo-ment yield New bless - ings by And gives to me faith The high - est heav'n-lv good. Help, com - fort, and sup - port In sor - row's gloom - y hour. God Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the Ho - ly Ghost.

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STEWARDSHIP:



To make your offering online, you can scan this code with your smartphone, or go to bit.ly/ThriventOffering.

Matthew 6:24b - "You cannot serve God and money." In today's Gospel, Jesus gives the first and last word about our stewardship. Well, you have to go back to verse 21 to get the whole thing: "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Read Matthew 5:19-34 again this week at home and consider your generosity to the Lord's work in light of what Jesus says.

8/1: \$2058; 8/8: \$1356; 8/15: \$970; 8/22: \$749; 8/29: \$1067 Budget for 2021: \$124,440; Weekly Need: \$2,393 As of September 1st, we have received: \$86,875.35 (\$2,482 Average/Week) August Mission Project: Lutheran Classical College: \$360 Total Monthly Mission Giving YTD: \$4,169

September Missions Project: LCMS Disaster Response

Our Synod's Disaster Response organization is currently helping in response to three large disasters: Hurricane Ida in the Southern and Eastern United States, flooding in Ethiopia that has damaged the Lutheran Seminary and displaced LCMS missionaries there, and the recent earthquake in Haiti. Our donations will help purchase aid supplies and make it possible for response teams to continue to do their work.

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