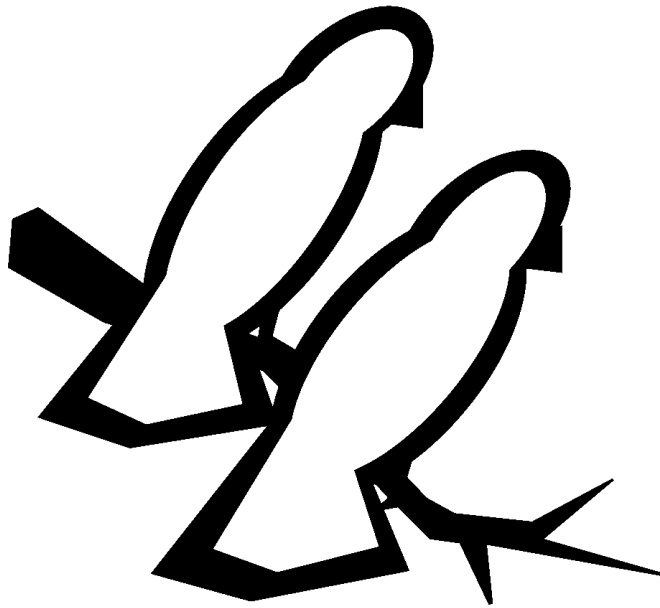


# **Fourth Sunday After Pentecost**



**June 21, 2026**

# Welcome to Grace

We give thanks that you have come to worship with us at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, and pray that you will receive God's awesome GRACE, mercy and love as we receive Word and Sacrament, the means of grace!

We invite our guests and visitors to worship with us often! If you will, we invite guests to take a welcome bag at the Welcome Desk to learn more about Grace and fill out a Welcome Form in the bulletin or at the Welcome Desk to let us know you were worshipping with us today. Visitor/Member Information sheets may be returned to the pastor, an usher, or placed in the offering.

The complete worship service is contained in this worship folder. Large print worship folders and Busy Bags for our very young worshipers are available from the ushers! We love having children in worship! Should parents have need of nursery during worship, our professionally staffed nursery for childcare is available. Please see an usher for directions.

Our worship space is equipped with a hearing assistance system to accommodate those with hearing difficulties. Please ask the sound technician (at the rear left of the worship space) for a receiver, if desired. Printed copies of the sermon are available at the ushers table in the entry-way, if desired.

Please remember to turn off or silence personal communication devices. We ask that you not bring food or drink into the worship space.

In accordance with the Biblical mandate and our Lutheran tradition, we seek to worship God "in Spirit and in truth...for these the Father seeks to worship him!" (John 4:23-24). If you are not familiar with liturgical worship, it is "the work of the people," as God speaks, the ministers speak and the congregation responds in a spoken, chanted and sung dialogue! Everything in our worship is focused on God and His incarnate, embodied presence in our midst! We pray that you will experience the Word made flesh as we worship today!

To establish and maintain a spirit of reverence, we remind worshipers to please greet one another and fellowship in the gathering space before entering the sanctuary, where others will be preparing their hearts and minds for worship. We appreciate your understanding!

Little Lambs Children's Ministry is available at either worship service, after the Gospel reading for children ages 3 through third grade During Little Lambs Children's Ministry children and their leader go to the Nursery to enjoy age appropriate Biblically-oriented activities during the Sermon, creed and prayers. They return during the offering to join us for Holy communion! This gives little ones a Bible break during the service, while allowing parents to focus on the sermon!

We invite you to learn more about our congregation at [www.grace43081.org](http://www.grace43081.org) and the North American Lutheran Church (NALC) at [www.thenalc.org](http://www.thenalc.org)!

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## PRELUDE

"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" - *arr. Thomas Gieschen*

"Hymne" - *arr. Alexandre Guilmant*

## Announcements

## Confession and Forgiveness

P In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord. Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, imploring Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

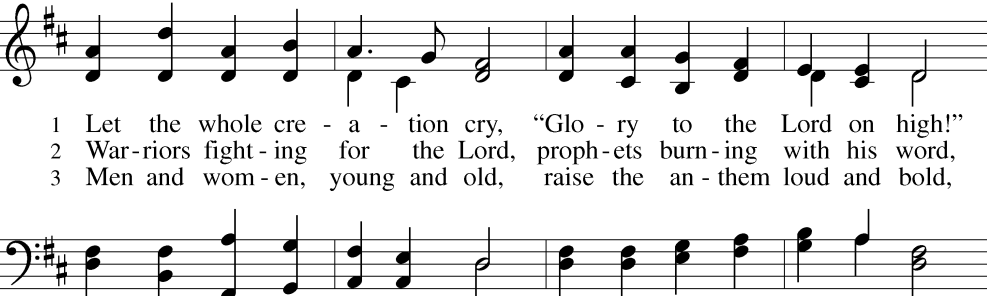
C **O most merciful God, who gave your only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us, and for His sake, grant us forgiveness of all our sins; and by your Holy Spirit, increase in us true knowledge of you and of your will, and true obedience to your Word, that by your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us, and has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and bestows on them His Holy Spirit. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ and by His authority, I 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.

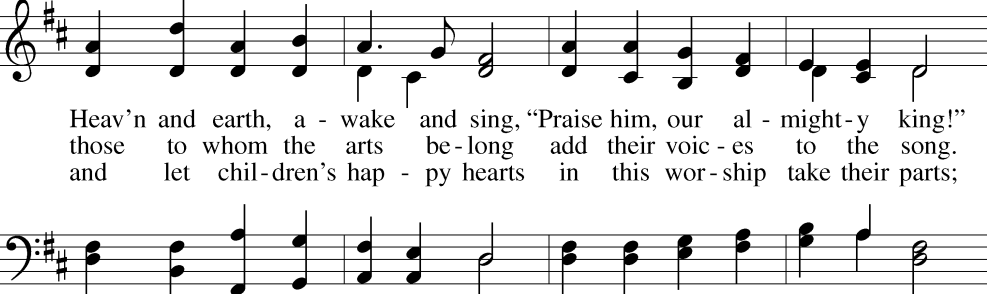
C **Amen.**

ENTRANCE HYMN

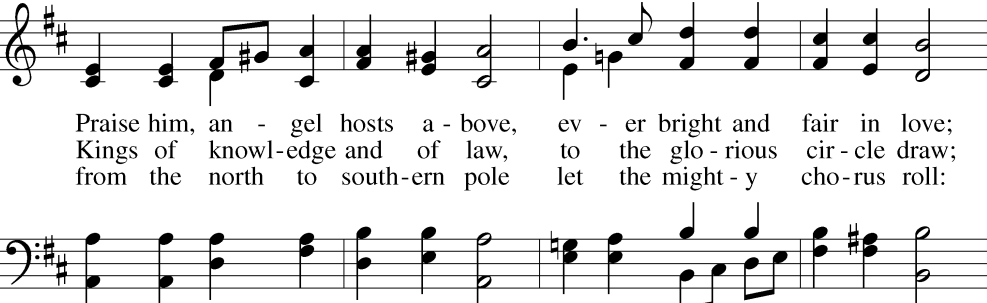
"Let the Whole Creation Cry"



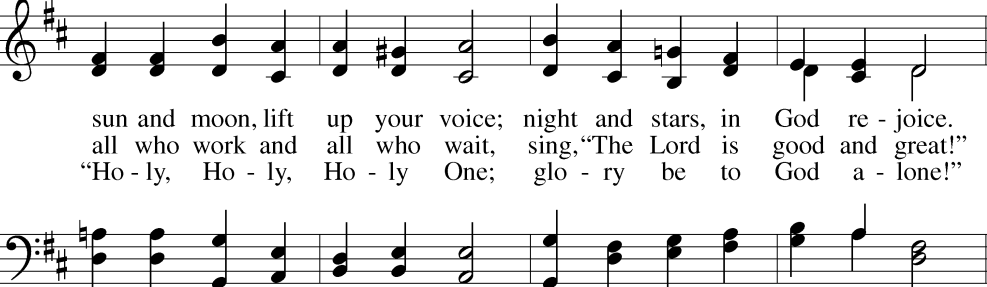
1 Let the whole cre - a - tion cry, "Glo - ry to the Lord on high!"  
 2 War-riors fight - ing for the Lord, proph-ets burn - ing with his word,  
 3 Men and wom - en, young and old, raise the an - them loud and bold,



Heav'n and earth, a - wake and sing, "Praise him, our al - might - y king!"  
 those to whom the arts be - long add their voic - es to the song.  
 and let chil - dren's hap - py hearts in this wor - ship take their parts;



Praise him, an - gel hosts a - bove, ev - er bright and fair in love;  
 Kings of knowl - edge and of law, to the glo - rious cir - cle draw;  
 from the north to south - ern pole let the might - y cho - rus roll:



sun and moon, lift up your voice; night and stars, in God re - joice.  
 all who work and all who wait, sing, "The Lord is good and great!"  
 "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly One; glo - ry be to God a - lone!"

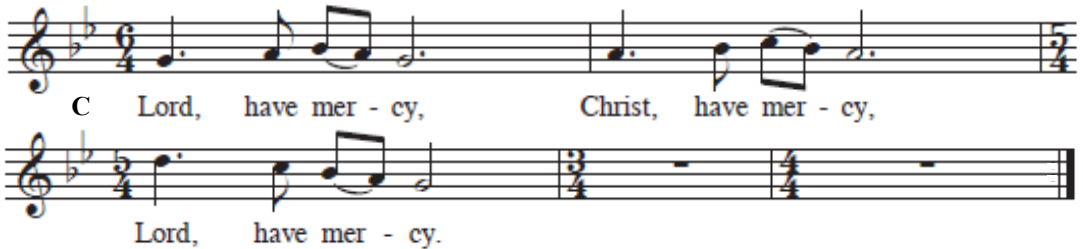
# The Liturgy of The Word

## THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. (*2 Corinthians 13:14*)

**C** **And also with you.**

## THE KYRIE



C Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy,  
Lord, have mer - cy.

## HYMN OF PRAISE:

“Glory to God”



8  
C Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth  
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - migh - ty  
God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you  
thanks. we praise you for your glo - ry.  
Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace  
to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, — Lord God,  
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy on  
 us; — you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther, re -  
 ceive our prayer — Glo - ry to God in the high - est, — and  
 peace to his peo - ple — on earth —  
 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the  
 Lord, — you a - lone are the Most — High.  
 Je - sus — Christ, — with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. — A - men! — A - men! —  
 Glo - ry to God in the high - est, — and peace — to his  
 peo - ple on earth.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Lord God almighty, you sent the twelve to preach the good news of the nearness of the kingdom of heaven, in spite of persecution, rejection and division. By your Holy Spirit, give us courage to share the Gospel without fear, asking nothing except the strength to endure, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20:7-13

<sup>7</sup>O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me. <sup>8</sup>For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. <sup>9</sup>If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. <sup>10</sup>For I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side! "Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" say all my close friends, watching for my fall. "Perhaps he will be deceived; then we can overcome him and take our revenge on him." <sup>11</sup>But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble; they will not overcome me. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. <sup>12</sup>O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous, who sees the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause. <sup>13</sup>Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 91:1-10

### Refrain



You have made the LORD your ref - uge, and the



Most High your hab - i - ta - tion.

### Psalm Tone



L<sup>1</sup>He who dwells in the shelter of<sup>1</sup> the Most High,  
abides under the shadow of<sup>1</sup> the Almighty.

**C<sup>2</sup>He shall say to the Lord, “You are my refuge<sup>1</sup> and my stronghold,  
my God in whom I<sup>1</sup> put my trust.”**

L<sup>3</sup>He shall deliver you from the snare<sup>1</sup> of the hunter  
and from the<sup>1</sup> deadly pestilence.

**C<sup>4</sup>He shall cover you with his pinions, and you shall find refuge un-<sup>1</sup>der his wings;  
his faithfulness shall be a<sup>1</sup> shield and buckler. Refrain**

L<sup>5</sup>You shall not be afraid of any ter-<sup>1</sup>ror by night,  
nor of the arrow that<sup>1</sup> flies by day;

**C<sup>6</sup>of the plague that stalks<sup>1</sup> in the darkness,  
nor of the sickness that lays<sup>1</sup> waste at midday.**

L<sup>7</sup>A thousand shall fall at your side and ten thousand at<sup>1</sup> your right hand,  
but it shall<sup>1</sup> not come near you.

**C<sup>8</sup>Your eyes have only<sup>1</sup> to behold  
to see the reward<sup>1</sup> of the wicked. Refrain**

L<sup>9</sup>Because you have made the<sup>1</sup> Lord your refuge,  
and the Most High your<sup>1</sup> habitation,

**C<sup>10</sup>there shall no evil hap-<sup>1</sup>pen to you,  
neither shall any plague come<sup>1</sup> near your dwelling. Refrain**

### SECOND READING: Romans 6:12-23

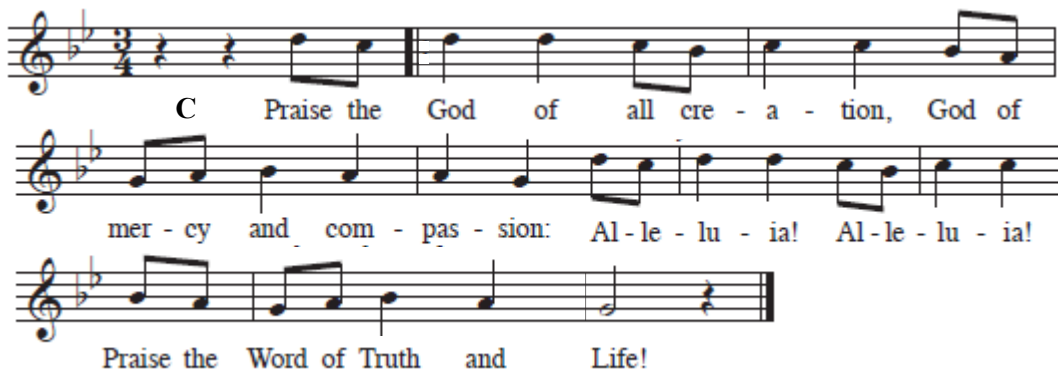
<sup>12</sup>Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. <sup>13</sup>Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. <sup>14</sup>For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. <sup>15</sup>What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means!

<sup>16</sup>Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? <sup>17</sup>But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become

obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, <sup>18</sup>and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. <sup>19</sup>I 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. <sup>20</sup>For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. <sup>21</sup>But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. <sup>22</sup>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. <sup>23</sup>For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

### ALLELUIA VERSE (*John 6:68*)



C Praise the God of all cre - a - tion, God of  
mer - cy and com - pas - sion: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
Praise the Word of Truth and Life!

### HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 10:5a, 21-33

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the tenth chapter.  
C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>5a</sup>These twelve {disciples} Jesus sent out, instructing them,

<sup>21</sup>“Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, <sup>22</sup>and you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup>When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes. <sup>24</sup>A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. <sup>25</sup>It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household. <sup>26</sup>So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. <sup>27</sup>What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. <sup>28</sup>And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup>But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup>Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup>So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, <sup>33</sup>but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.”

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

*Please be seated.*

### LITTLE LAMBS

At this time, Little Lambs Children's Ministry is available for children ages 3 through third grade at both services after the Gospel reading. The children leave the sanctuary with the teacher and enjoy an age appropriate Biblically oriented lesson and activity. They return during the offering to join us for Holy Communion.

**SERMON: "Committed My Cause to the Lord!"**

**The Rev. David Wendel**

*After the sermon, a time of silence for reflection.*

*Please stand as you are able.*

### HYMN OF THE DAY

### "Lord of Our Life"



1 Lord of our life and God of our sal - va - tion, star of our  
2 See round your ark the hun - gry bil - lows curl - ing, see how your  
3 Lord, you can help when earth - ly ar - mor fails us; Lord, you can  
4 Peace in our hearts, our trou - bled thoughts as - suag - ing, peace in your



night and hope of ev - 'ry na - tion: hear and re - ceive your  
foes their ban - ners are un - furl - ing. Lord, while their poi - soned  
save when dead - ly sin as - sails us; and, in the day when  
church, where kin - dred souls are rag - ing, peace, when the world its



church's sup - pli - ca - tion, Lord God Al - might - y.  
ar - rows they are hurl - ing, you can pre - serve us.  
hell it - self ap - palls us, grant us your peace, Lord:  
end - less war is wag - ing, peace in your heav - en.

## APOSTLES' CREED

A We confess our Christian faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.  
C **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**  
**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**  
**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.**  
**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**  
**He descended into hell.**  
**On the third day he rose again.**  
**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**  
**He will come again 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.**

## THE PRAYERS

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

*After each petition:*

A Lord, in your mercy;

C **Hear our prayer.**

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

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*Remember in our prayers... Lon Landis, David Doll, Linda Slates, Rich Meneley, Twyla Ridder, Jennifer Rockwood, Don Melick, Tom Zawodny, Betty Milner, Rod Rice, Sue Ross, Mary Ross, Jim Ross*

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## THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. (*Matthew 5: 22-24; John 20: 19*)

C **And also with you.**

*You may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace,  
and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

*Please be seated.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE MEAL

### MUSICAL OFFERING

"Grace Medley" - arr. Gary Lanier

**Carleigh Benson - Flute, Linda Hoch - Piano**

*Please stand as the offering is brought forward.*



P Father, all-powerful and ever-living God...*The Presider continues with the preface, concluding...we praise you Lord, with all the angels in their song of joy:*

### THE SANCTUS (*Isaiah 6: 3; Matthew 21: 9*)

4 *Assembly*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord,  
God of pow - er, God of might. Heav - en 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,  
ho - san - na in the high - est.

### EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Father, you are holy indeed, and all creation rightly gives you praise. All life, all holiness comes from you through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, by the working of the Holy Spirit.

From ages to age, you gather a people to yourself, so that from east to west, a perfect offering made be made to the glory of your name. And so, Father, we bring you these gifts. We ask you to make them holy by the power of your Spirit, that they may become the body and blood of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, at whose command we celebrate this eucharist.

## THE WORD OF INSTITUTION

P On the night He was betrayed, He took bread and gave you thanks and praise. He broke the bread, gave it to His disciples and said:  
Take this, all of you and eat it: this is my body which will be given up for you.  
When supper was ended, He took the cup. Again, He gave you thanks and praise, He gave the cup to His disciples and said:  
Take this, all of you, and drink from it: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me.

## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



C Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

P Father, calling to mind the death your Son endured for our salvation, His glorious resurrection and ascension and His promise to come again, we ask you to mercifully accept this, our response of praise and thanksgiving. Grant that we who are nourished by His body and blood may be filled with the Holy Spirit and become one body, one spirit in Christ, to establish our faith in truth, that we may glorify you through Christ our Lord, from whom all good things come.

P Through Him, with Him, in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, forever and ever.

## AMEN



A - men, a - men, a - men!

## LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6: 9-13)



C Our Fa - ther, who art in heav-en,

hal - low - ed be thy name; thy king-dom come, thy

will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.

Give us this day our dai - ly bread, and for -  
 give us our tres - pass - es, as we for - give those who  
 tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in - to temp -  
 ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.  
 For the king - dom, the pow - er and the glo - ry are yours  
 now and for - ev - er - more. A - men.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD/THE FRACTION

*A time of silence...*

- P Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. (*John 1:29*)  
 C **Blessed are those who are invited to the supper of the Lamb!** (*Revelation 19:9*)

LAMB OF GOD (John 1: 29)

2 2

*a tempo*

C Je - sus, Lamb of God; Je - sus, Bread of Life; you take a - way the sin of the Je - sus, Prince of Peace;

world, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, Lamb of God; you take a - way the

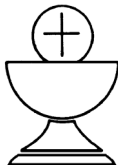
sin of the world, grant us your

peace.

*poco rit.*

*Please be seated.*

**THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS**



All who are baptized, have received the Lord's Supper and believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine that become our Lord's Body and Blood, are welcome to commune. Children or adults who do not commune are encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing!

The Lord's sacramental Blood is available in individual glasses and common cup. As the communion assistants approach, simply indicate which you prefer by a nod of the head or pointing to individual cups or chalice. Grape juice is available in the center ring of each tray. Please place empty individual glasses in the basket provided to either side of the altar area. Gluten-free hosts are available for those who require them. Indicate your preference to the minister administering the hosts.

**Private prayer before receiving Holy Communion:**

O merciful Lord, I do not presume to come to your Table, trusting in my own righteousness, but in your many and great mercies. I am not worthy to gather up the crumbs under your Table. But you are the same Lord whose will it is always to have mercy. Make me, I pray you, worthy now to receive this Holy Communion. Grant me, gracious Lord, so to consume the very Body and Blood of your dear Son, Jesus Christ in this Holy Sacrament, that He may evermore dwell in me, and I in Him, that my sinful body may be made clean by His Body, and my soul washed through His most precious Blood. Amen.

**Private prayer after receiving Holy Communion:**

Almighty God, you provide the true Bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that as I have received the Sacrament of His Body and Blood, He may abide in me, and I in Him, and that all who have received may be filled with the power of His endless life. By your grace, help me to walk worthy of my calling, and to learn to bring glory to your name in all things. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN

"When Peace Like a River"



1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when  
 2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let  
 3 He lives—oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; my  
 4 Lord, has - ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the



sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast  
 this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my  
 sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I  
 clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the



taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.  
 help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.  
 bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
 Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so it is well with my soul.



*Refrain*



It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.  
 It is well with my soul,



## COMMUNION MUSIC

Linda Hoch-Organ

"Cleansing Fountain" - arr. David Paxton

*After all have communed, please stand.*

## POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

**P** The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

**C** Amen.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

**A** Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen.

## THE BENEDICTION (*Numbers 6: 24-26*)

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the  $\text{✝}$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



RECESSIONAL HYMN

"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, fol - low his ex - am - ple pure,  
2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus, and with pa - tience bear our cross.  
3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death he con - quered death,  
4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en from the dead



through a world that would de - ceive us and to sin our spir - its lure.  
Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; where he is there is no loss.  
he will free us from de - struc - tion, give to us im - mor - tal breath.  
that to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus, since you are our head,



On - ward in his foot - steps tread - ing, pil - grims here, our home a - bove,  
Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter, we shall reap ce - les - tial joy:  
Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion that would lead us in - to sin;  
we are your own liv - ing mem - bers; where you live, there we shall be



full of faith and hope and love, let us do our Fa - ther's bid - ding.  
all dis - com - forts that an - noy shall give way to mirth here - af - ter.  
then by grace we all may win un - told fruits of his cre - a - tion.  
in your pres - ence con - stant - ly, liv - ing there with you for - ev - er.



Faith - ful Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where you guide.  
Je - sus, here I share your woe; help me there your joy to know.  
Je - sus, un - to you I die, there to live with you on high.  
Je - sus. if I faith - ful be. life e - ter - nal grant to me.

THE RITE OF SENDING

Children Go in peace, serve the Lord!  
C Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

Linda Hoch

"Postlude on *Salzburg*" - arr. Robert J. Powell

**Offering:** An offering plate will be placed by the baptismal font for offerings to be presented during the offering procession. Offerings may be placed in the plate before or after the service.

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*Flowers are given by...*

*Bill and Twyla Ridder in celebration of our anniversary June 26th.*

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**Attendance information for June 14 will be in the June 28 bulletin.**

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**SAVE the DATE-** On Sunday, July 19, we will celebrate the 45th anniversary of the ordination of The Rev. Dr. David P. Wendel to the Office of Holy Ministry. Bishop Emeritus John Bradosky will be our guest preacher at both the 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship services.



A reception will be held between services, providing an opportunity for members, friends, and guests to share memories, offer congratulations, and celebrate Rev. Wendel's many years of faithful service to Christ and His Church.

Council members: Jim Caldwell, Lisa Kuhar, Kyle Lamb, Tracey Nave, Ellen Paulus, Ted Ray, Gregg Rearick, Jackie Washburn

## MUSIC NOTES

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**"Let Us Every Walk with Jesus" – arr. Thomas Gieschen**

Sigmund von Birken (1626-1681) wrote this hymn for Passiontide, based on Luke 18:31-43,

where Jesus sets his face to Jerusalem. Its references to death and resurrection in Christ recall Romans 6 and the Lenten journey toward baptism at the Easter Vigil.

**“Hymne” – arr. Alexandre Guilmant**

This piece is an arrangement of the tune ISTE CONFESSOR, the tune for today’s hymn “Lord of Our Life.” This hymn is one of Matthäus A. von Löwenstern’s (1594-1648) thirty hymns which were bound up with the Breslau *Kirchen und Haus-Music* (1644). The hymn’s title was “A Sapphic Ode, For Spiritual and Temporal Peace,” reflecting the hostility of the Thirty Years’ War, during which it was written. The tune ISTE CONFESSOR is a French diocesan tune that comes from the *Poitiers Antiphoner* of 1746, where it went with the hymn for a confessor, “Iste Confessor,” an 8<sup>th</sup> century text probably written for the patron saint of France, Martin of Tours (c. 335-397).

**“Grace Medley” – arr. Gary Lanier**

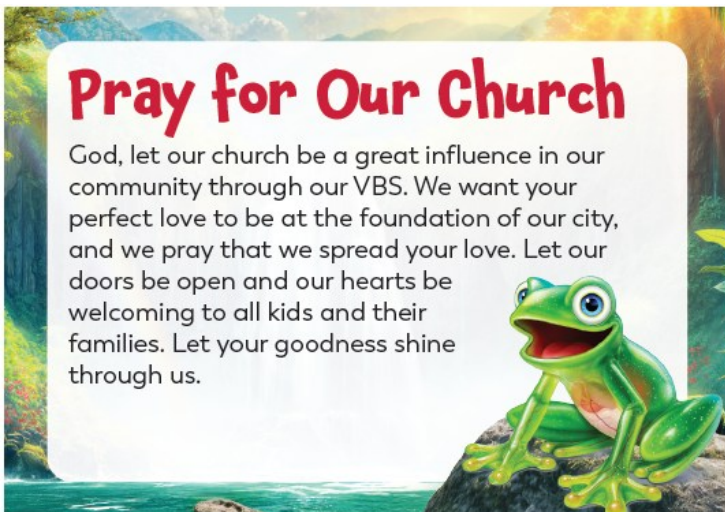
This arrangement for flute and piano combines the hymn “Grace Greater than Our Sin” with “Amazing Grace”. The text for “Grace Greater than Our Sin” was written by Julia H. Johnston (1849-1919), and it first appeared in *Hymns Tried and True* (1911). “Amazing Grace” was written by John Newton (1725-1807). Making his way through the Bible from Genesis to Revelation in Book I of *Olney Hymns* (1779), Newton got to hymn #41, titled it “Faith’s Review and Expectation,” and cited 1 Chronicles 17:16-17: “Then King David went in and sat before the Lord, and said ‘Who am I, O Lord God, and what is my house, that you have brought me thus far? And even this was a small thing in your sight, O God; you have also spoken of your servant’s house for a great while to come. You regard me as someone of high rank, O Lord God!’” That evoked “Amazing grace! (how sweet the sound!).” Newton wrote this hymn while he was a curate at Olney, Bucks, England, and the text is a personal testimony of a man whose early life on a slave ship was turned around by an “amazing grace” that “saved a wretch like me.”

**“Cleansing Fountain” – arr. David Paxton**

CLEANSING FOUNTAIN is the tune name for the hymn “There is a fountain filled with blood.” Based on Zechariah 13:1 and written in 1770 or 1771 by William Cowper, the hymn first appeared in Conyer’s *Collection of Psalms and Hymns* (1772) and was include in *Olney Hymns* (1779).

**“Postlude on Salzburg” – arr. Robert J. Powell**

SALZBURG is the tune for the hymn “Let the Whole Creation Cry.” This hymn originally had ten stanzas and is an imitation of Psalm 148. It was written by Stopford A. Brooke (1832-1916), an Anglican clergyman, and it was included in *Christian Hymns*, published 1881 for his congregation.



## Serving Today

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CANTOR	Larry Schaller
ACOLYTE	8:15 Miguel Arreguin 11:00 Emily Odum
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	8:15 Paul Whitacre, Ted Ray 11:00 Cheryl Bush, Eric Bush
GREETERS	8:15 Denise Reynard 11:00 Nelson Grover
LITTLE LAMBS	8:15 Cathy Burner 11:00 Amy Quinn
USHERS	8:15 Kathy Haegele, Lisa Kuhar, Shirley Hodek, Vanessa Stewart 11:00 Jim Claflin, Jeremy Clark, Paul Hotchkiss Kaitlyn F., Donna P.
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