

*Grace Lutheran Church
Welcomes You!*



*Everyone is Welcome!
Let us rejoice together!*

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

9th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 25, 2021

Pastor Jim Helgren

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Hymn "In the Morning When I Rise" WOV Hymn # 777

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.

P: You are the treasured people of the Lord.

C: a people holy to the Lord our God.

P: Keep the words of the Lord in your heart; teach them to your children.

**C: Talk to them when you are at home and when you are away,
when you lie down and when you rise.**

P: One does not live by bread alone,

C: but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

Scripture Song

Salvation belongs to our God and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever. Great and wonderful are your deeds, O God of the universe; just and true are your ways, O Ruler of all the nations. Who can fail to honor you, Lord, and sing the glory of your name? Salvation belongs to our God and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever. For you alone are the Holy One. All nations will draw near and worship before you, for your just and holy works have been revealed.

Salvation belongs to our God and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

Prayer of the Day

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The First Lesson: 2 Kings 4:42-44

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Psalm 145:10-18

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The Second Lesson: Ephesians 3:14-21

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C: Word of life, Jesus Christ, all glory to you! Word of life Jesus Christ, all praise to you! Our hearts burn within us while you open to us the Scriptures. Word of life, Jesus Christ, all glory to you! Word of life Jesus Christ, all praise to you!

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel: John 6:1-21

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P:The Gospel of the Lord"

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's message

Sermon

Hymn of the Day "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" WOV Hymn # 711

P: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

C: We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.

P: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**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**

P: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

C: pray in the Holy Spirit.

P: Keep yourselves in the love of God;

C: look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

P: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

C: Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!

P: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: The almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins.

C: Amen

P: Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Offering

C: Glory to you, God, for yours is the earth; yours the anointing, the radiant worth. Ours the rejoicing for the spirits aflame; ours the thanksgiving to your holy name. Ours be the telling of deeds greatly done; yours be the glory, O God, yours alone.

P: Let us pray. God, our Creator,

C: you open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature. With these gifts we bless you for your tender nurture and care. Help us to delight in your will and walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

P: As God's people called to love one another, let us pray for the needs of the Church, the human family, and all the world.

P: Hear us, O God;

C: your mercy is great.

P: All these things and whatever else you see that we need, grant us,
O God, for the sake of Christ who died and rose again, and now
lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever
and ever.

C: Amen.

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
**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, the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen**

P: Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and
forever.

C: Amen

Closing Hymn "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" WOV Hymn # 731
Postlude

We pray always for . . .

*Robert Armknecht, Bill Bohling, Jodi Bridgmon, Luetta Bruns,
Linda Daniels, Bruce Gerking, Mary Goudie, Axl Walters,
Carol Wiebke*

our military men and women, their families and their leaders.

We also remember in our prayers . . .

Erick, Diana & Meshack, orphans we are sponsoring in Tanzania.

*Noisy coin offering will be collected today. All loose change will be
designated for NLOM Summer Leadership Team Members.*

Today 7/25/21

Worship – 8:30 a.m.

Saturday 7/31/21

Carol Joy Holling Quilt Auction – 9:30 a.m. Auction starts

Next Sunday 8/1/21

Worship w/Communion – 8:30 a.m.

St. Paul's UCC Ice Cream Social – 5-7 p.m.



Today's Readings

Sunday, July 25, 2021
9th Sunday after Pentecost

Prayer of the Day

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.

First Reading

2 Kings 4:42-44

A 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

Psalm 145:10-18; tone 2



All your works
shall praise ¹ you, O LORD,
and your faithful ¹ ones
shall bless you.
¹¹They shall tell of the glory
¹ of your kingdom
and speak ¹ of your power,
¹²that all people
may know ¹ of your power
and the glorious splendor
¹ of your kingdom.
¹³Your kingdom is an everlasting
kingdom;
your dominion endures
through- ¹ out all ages.
You, LORD,
are faithful in all your words,
and loving in ¹ all your works.

¹⁴The LORD upholds all ¹ those who fall
and lifts up those
who ¹ are bowed down.
¹⁵The eyes of all wait upon ¹ you,
O LORD,
and you give them their food
¹ in due season.
¹⁶You open ¹ wide your hand
and satisfy the desire
of every ¹ living thing.
¹⁷You are righteous in ¹ all your ways
and loving in ¹ all your works.
¹⁸You are near to all
who ¹ call upon you,
to all who call
up- ¹ on you faithfully.

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father,¹⁵ from 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,¹⁷ and 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,¹⁹ and 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,²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Gospel

John 6:1-21

Jesus 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.”

¹⁵When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

¹⁶When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea,¹⁷ got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰But he said to them, “It is I; do not be afraid.”

²¹Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.



You are invited to Carol Joy Holling Camp's

Quilt Auction

Saturday, July 31, 2021



Quilts handcrafted by individuals, congregations, and groups from Nebraska and beyond will be auctioned to fund summer camp scholarships.

Quilts will be on display by 9:00 a.m. The live auction begins at 9:30 a.m. Lunch Served 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. We will continue until all quilts are sold, which is usually around 5:00 p.m.

View quilts, schedule, and absentee bidding instructions:

CJHCenter.org/quilt-auction

New this year – Silent Auction online bidding

Free parking & admission!

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