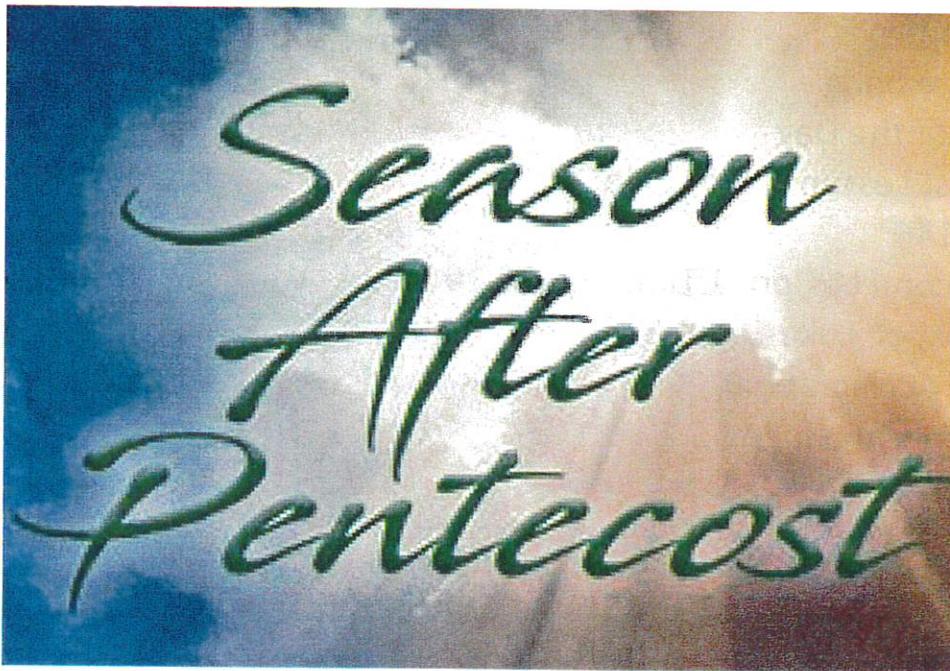


*Grace Lutheran Church
Welcomes You!*



*By Grace you have been saved!
"We have decided to follow Jesus and
There's no turning back!"*

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Please put items for the bulletins & newsletter in the secretary's box in the south office. Church office email grace68329@gmail.com

Today 9/25/22

Worship – 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday 9/28/22

Confirmation – 6:00 p.m.

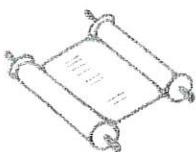
Next Sunday 10/2/22

Worship w/Communion – 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.
CROP Walk, beginning
@ Hope Lutheran Church, Burr – 2:00 p.m.

Please be sure to sign up for a couple of Sundays of Worship Duty – sign up sheet is at the back of the church.

*Noisy coin offering will be collected Today.
All loose change will be designated for
CROP Walk.*

2022 Crop Walk will be next Sunday, October 2nd at 2:00 p.m. beginning at Hope Lutheran Church, Burr. Crop Walk forms are at the back of the church.



Today's Readings

Sunday, September 25, 2022

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Prayer of the Day

O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Reading

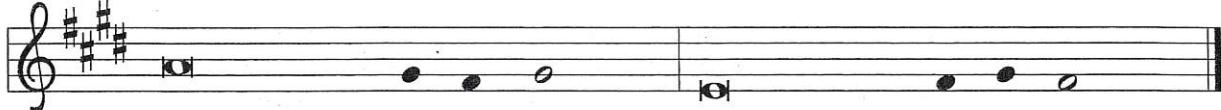
Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,
and for those who feel secure on
Mount Samaria.

⁴Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,
and lounge on their couches,
and eat lambs from the flock,
and calves from the stall;
⁵who sing idle songs to the sound
of the harp,

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

and like David improvise on
instruments of music;
⁶who drink wine from bowls,
and anoint themselves with the finest
oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of
Joseph!
⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to
go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall
pass away.

Psalm



Hal-¹ lelujah!
Praise the LORD, ¹ O my soul!
²I will praise the LORD as long
as I live;
I will sing praises to my God
while I ¹ have my being.
³Put not your ¹ trust in rulers,
in mortals in whom there
is no help.
⁴When they breathe their last,
they re-¹ turn to earth,
and in that day
their thoughts perish.
⁵Happy are they who have
the God of Jacob ¹ for their help,
whose hope is in the
LORD their God;
⁶who made heaven and earth, the seas,
and all that ¹ is in them;
who keeps promises-¹ es forever;

Psalm 146; tone 5

⁷who gives justice to those
who are oppressed,
and food to ¹ those who hunger.
The LORD sets the ¹ captive free.
⁸The LORD opens the eyes of the blind;
the LORD lifts up those
who ¹ are bowed down;
the LORD ¹ loves the righteous.
⁹The LORD cares ¹ for the stranger;
the LORD sustains
the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way
of the wicked.
¹⁰The LORD shall ¹ reign forever,
your God, O Zion, throughout
all generations. ¹ Hallelujah!

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his

testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Gospel

Luke 16:19-31

[Jesus said:] “There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’ ²⁵But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your

good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ ²⁷He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ ³⁰He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ ³¹He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

