

*Grace Lutheran Church
Welcomes you!*



*By Grace you have been saved!
“We have decided to follow Jesus and
There’s no turning back!”*

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

19th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 4, 2026

Lay Leader Erin Ebeler

Prelude, Welcome & Announcements

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Gathering Song **"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"** ELW # 803

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Hymn of Praise **"Glory to God"** Page 139

Prayer of the Day, *prayed in unison* See Insert

First Lesson: Isaiah 5:1-7 See Insert

L: Word of God, word of Life. C: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 80:7-15, *read responsively* See Insert

Second Reading: Philippians 3:4b-14 See Insert

L: Word of God, word of Life. C: **Thanks be to God.**

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L: The holy gospel according to Matthew. C: **Glory to You, O Lord**

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-46 See Insert

Children's Sermon

Sermon

Hymn of the Day **"All Creatures, Worship God Most High"** ELW # 835

Apostles' Creed See Sheet in your pew

Offering

Offering Hymn: **Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above the heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

The Lord's Prayer See Sheet in your pew

Benediction

Sending Song **"Thine be the Amen"** ELW # 826

Dismissal

We pray always for . . .

*Linda Daniels, Julie Effken, Elaine Hauberg, Diane Roesener
& Ken Tubbesing*

We also remember in our prayers . . .

*Juliana, Hassan, Jackline & Charles, orphans we are
sponsoring in Tanzania*

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Today 10/4/26

Sunday School – 9:15 a.m.

Worship led by Erin Ebeler – 10:00 a.m.

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING to follow worship

Fellowship to follow

Wednesday 10/7/26

Confirmation – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday 10/10/26

ELCW Autumn Renewal @ St. Paul's, Grand Island

Next Sunday 10/11/26

Sunday School – 9:15 a.m.

Worship - Pastor Kate – 10:00 a.m.

Fellowship to follow worship

***Please join us for fellowship in the
basement
following worship ☺***

FAITH, GRACE, HOPE LUTHERAN CALENDAR OCTOBER 2026

—PASTOR KATE WOOLF—

Pastor Kate's Phone #: (316)-371-0803

Date	Day	Faith's Church Time	Grace's Church Time	Hope's Church Time
October 2026				
October 4	Sunday	8:00 AM	Erin Ebeler	10:00 AM
October 11	Sunday	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	No Pastor Led Service
October 18	Sunday	No Pastor Led Service	10:00 AM	8:00 AM
October 25	Sunday	8:00 AM	Mission Fest Hope & Grace: 10:00 AM @ Grace	

Notice – There will be a **SPECIAL Congregational Meeting** following worship today to amend the 2026 budget and discuss the Parsonage.

Mission Festival will be held here at Grace Lutheran on October 25th. We are pleased to have McKenna Olson from The Lutheran Center (Campus Ministry) in Lincoln as our guest speaker.



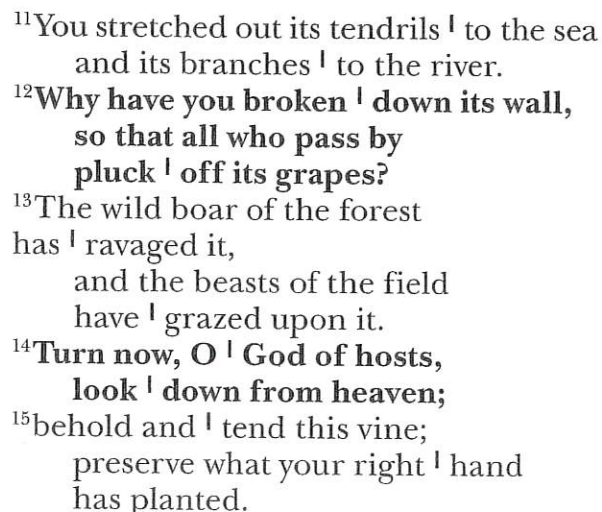
19th Sunday after Pentecost

Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Isaiah 5:1-7

7For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the people of Judah
are his cherished garden;
he expected justice
but saw bloodshed;
righteousness
but heard a cry!

Psalm 80:7-15; tone 6



[Paul writes:] If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes

from the law but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal, but I press on to lay hold of that for which Christ has laid hold of me. ¹³Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have laid hold of it, but one thing I have laid hold of: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal, toward the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Gospel

Matthew 21:33-46

[Jesus said:] "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a winepress in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went away. ³⁴When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other slaves, more than the first, and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷Then he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' ³⁹So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" ⁴¹They said to him, "He will put those

wretches to a miserable death and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time."

⁴²Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures:

'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes?'

⁴³"Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces its fruits.

⁴⁴The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces, and it will crush anyone on whom it falls."

⁴⁵When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them.

⁴⁶They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.