

# TRUST IN THE LORD *and do good.*

PSALM 37:3

SEVENTEETH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST

*October 5, 2025*

*Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church  
500 South Wayne Avenue, Waynesboro, VA 22980*

*A community of servants sharing in the  
word and work of Jesus.*

## *Service of the Word and HOLY COMMUNION*

(All Creation Sings—Setting 12)

Congregational responses are in bold print

*We welcome all our visitors, members, friends and family to this morning's celebration of the Word and Sacrament. We gather each week to worship, study and share fellowship so we can joyfully serve others. We especially welcome those new to our worship. If you are looking for a church home, we would love to tell you more about Grace! Please fill in a visitor card and place it in the offering plate.*

We ask that all who commune fill in a communion card.

We have Gluten Free Communion Wafers available.

Please inform Communion Assistant of your need.

*Restrooms: Located to your left as you face the rear of the church.*

*During worship, you'll notice parts of the service in regular type, which are spoken/prayed by various worship leaders. Then there are the parts you and the rest of the congregation respond and/or pray in bold type. All of us are participants as we worship God! When asked to stand, please do so as you are able.*

*As Jesus welcomed all in the crowds who gathered around him, so he welcomes us.*

Gathering



Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

Temple Talk

Donna Yobs

## Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the Father, the Son **☩**, and the Holy Spirit,  
our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

**Amen.**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin  
in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful and loving God,  
we are your stiff-necked people.  
We trample on the needy.  
We grumble about your grace to others.  
We turn away from the poor.  
Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.  
Rejoice over us again as ones who were lost  
and have been found.  
**Amen.**

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful.  
Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.  
You who were lost have been found.  
In the name of **☩** Jesus, your sins are forgiven!  
**Amen.**



Gathering Song: "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

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### Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.

**And also with you.**



### Kyrie

A musical staff in G clef, 2/4 time, and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics "Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy." are written below the notes. The first note is a dotted half note, followed by a quarter note, a eighth note, a quarter note, a eighth note, a quarter note, a eighth note, a quarter note, and a half note.

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The word "Kyrie" is written in a large, stylized, hand-drawn font. The letters are primarily teal with a yellow outline. The "y" has a long, flowing tail that sweeps under the "e". There is a yellow horizontal line underneath the "e" and "r".

### Hymn of Praise

1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;  
3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;

yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.  
yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.  
yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.

Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;  
Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;  
Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;

ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.

Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;

yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

### Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

*A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*We sit.*

## Word

### First Reading: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

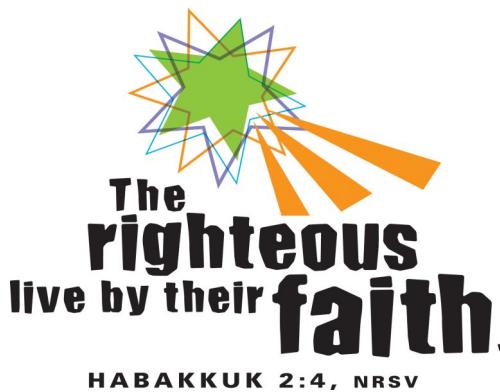
A reading from Habakkuk:

- 1 The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.
- 2 O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen?  
Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save?
- 3 Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble?  
Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.
- 4 So the law becomes slack, and justice never prevails.  
The wicked surround the righteous;  
therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

- 1 I will stand at my watchpost and station myself on the rampart;  
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me  
and what he will answer concerning my complaint.
- 2 Then the LORD answered me and said:  
Write the vision;  
make it plain on tablets,  
so that a runner may read it.
- 3 For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end and does not lie.  
If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay.
- 4 Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faithfulness.

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



**Psalm: Psalm 37:1-9**

<sup>1</sup> Do not fret because of the wicked; do not be envious of wrongdoers,  
<sup>2</sup> **for they will soon fade like the grass and wither like the green herb.**  
<sup>3</sup> Trust in the LORD and do good; live in the land and enjoy security.  
<sup>4</sup> **Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.**  
<sup>5</sup> Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act.  
<sup>6</sup> **He will make your vindication shine like the light  
and the justice of your cause like the noonday.**  
<sup>7</sup> Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for him;  
do not fret over those who prosper in their way, over those who carry out evil devices.  
<sup>8</sup> **Refrain from anger and forsake wrath. Do not fret—it leads only to evil.**  
<sup>9</sup> For the wicked shall be cut off, but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.

**Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14**

A reading from 2 Timothy:

<sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup> To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. <sup>3</sup> I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup> Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup> I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. <sup>6</sup> For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands, <sup>7</sup> for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

<sup>8</sup> Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, <sup>9</sup> who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup> but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. <sup>11</sup> For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, <sup>12</sup> and for this reason I suffer as I do.

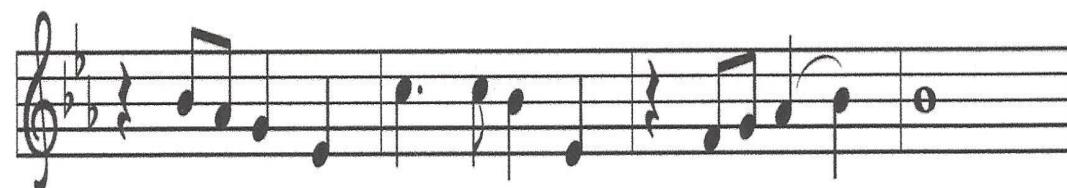
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But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day the deposit I have entrusted to him.<sup>13</sup> Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.  
<sup>14</sup> Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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

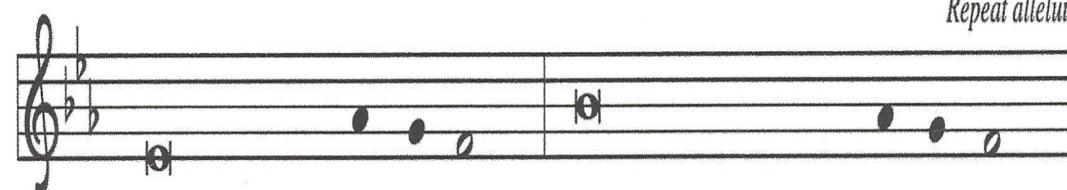
## **Gospel Acclamation**

*We stand.*



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

*Repeat alleluia*



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.

**Gospel: Luke 17:5-10**

The holy gospel according to St. Luke:  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>5</sup> The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” <sup>6</sup> The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.

<sup>7</sup> “Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, ‘Come here at once and take your place at the table?’ <sup>8</sup> Would you not rather say to him, ‘Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink?’ <sup>9</sup> Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup> So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, ‘We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!’ ”

The gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**



Children's Sermon

Pastor Pingel

Sermon

Pastor Pingel

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

*We stand.*

Hymn of the Day: "How Firm a Foundation"

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### Apostles' Creed

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son,  
our Lord,  
    who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
    born of the virgin Mary,  
    suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
    was crucified, died, and was buried;  
    he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of  
    the Father,  
and he will come 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.

### Imani ya Mitume

Ninamwamini Mungu, Baba Mwenyezi,  
Muumba wa mbingu na dunia;

Na Yesu Kristo, Mwana wake wa pekee,  
Bwana wetu, aliyetwaa mwili kwa tendo  
la Roho Mutakatifu, akazaliwa na Bikira  
Maria. Akateswa zamani za Pontio  
Pilato, akasulibowi, akafa, akazikwa,  
akashuka kuzimuni mwa wafu,  
akafufuka katika wafu siku ya tatu,  
akapanda mbinguni, anakaa kwa  
mukono wa kuume wa Mungu,  
Baba Mwenyezi, ndipo atakuja tena  
kuhukumu wazima na wafu.

Ninamwamini Roho Mutakatifu, Kanisa  
kikristo takatifu, ushirika wa watakatifu,  
ondoleo la zambi, ufufuko wa mwili, na  
uzima wa milele. Amina.

The  
Apostles'  
+Creed+

## Prayers of Intercession

Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

*Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words.*

Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, saying, "Peace be with you".*

*We sit.*

**Meal**

## Offering



*We offer our thanks to God for "ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of God's gracious love" by our offerings. The offering plates will be passed by the ushers from the center aisle. If you give electronically, you can use the QR code on page 21 to make your gift on your cell phone through Tithely.*

*(Please place visitor cards and communion cards in the offering plate.)*

## Offertory

*We stand.*

**Offertory Response:**

**Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful**  
*Offering Song*



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the  
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,  
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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### Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Lord of the harvest,  
**we return to you a portion of what you have given to us.**  
Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches,  
but on you, who richly provides for us.  
Multiply what we have gathered  
to bless all who are suffering and in need,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

DEUTERONOMY 26:10, NRSV  
  
So now I bring  
the first of the  
fruit of the ground  
that you, O Lord,  
have given me.

### Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.  
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**



### Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly      Lord, God of pow'r and  
God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your  
glo - ry.      Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the  
Lord.      Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Hosanna  
IN THE  
Highest*

### Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:  
Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.  
You have filled all creation with light and life;  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age:  
the promise to Israel, the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land,  
the words of the prophets; and, at this end of all ages, the gift of your Son,  
who proclaimed the good news in word and deed  
and was obedient to your will, even in giving his life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread,  
and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

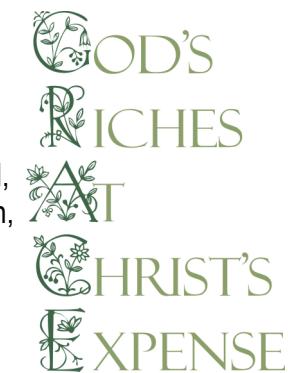
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.  
**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit,  
that we who share in Christ's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory  
and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.  
**Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place,  
and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest  
until he comes as victorious Lord of all. Through him, with him, in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours,  
almighty Father, now and forever.

**Amen.**



### Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven,  
    hallowed be your name,  
    your kingdom come,  
    your will be done,  
        on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
    as we forgive those  
        who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
    and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
    and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.



### Invitation to Communion

Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them.

Come to this meal of mercy.

Thanks be to God!

*We sit.*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## The Holy Communion

*We sit.*

OUR LORD BIDS YOU WELCOME TO THIS HOLY MEAL! At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel. Here we receive Christ's body and blood and God's gifts of forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation to be received by faith for the strengthening of faith. In this sacrament the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. This real presence is a mystery. Admission to the Sacrament is by invitation of the Lord — regardless of Church denomination — to those who are baptized. (Taken from the ELCA statement on worship. *The Use and Means of Grace* ©1997)

*Ushers will invite you to come down the center aisle. We commune at the railing, filling up the rail from the center out. Grape juice is available on the center table as you come forward, or you will receive the wine from the Communion Assistant. You may kneel or stand at the railing. Receive the bread from the pastor or assisting minister at the railing, then the Communion Assistant will announce "the blood of Christ" as you receive the wine/grape juice. Place your empty cup in the trays at the end of the railing, and return to your seat via the side aisle.*

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

**Amen.**

Communion Hymn: "We Walk by Faith"

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*We stand.*

## The Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen.**

## Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

O God,  
through this meal you have strengthened us  
and appointed us to be your servants.  
Send us to do good and to share our possessions  
with all in need.  
We ask this in Jesus' name.

**Amen.**



## Sending

**Communion ministers may be sent to take the sacrament from this gathering to those who are absent.**

Gracious God, you took the form of a servant, offering yourself as food, comfort, and strength to a sick and hurting world. Anoint with a servant heart those who take your word and Sacrament to our sisters and brothers. Grant grace, mercy, healing, and hope to those who feast on your body and blood and receive your words of new life. May we all recognize that we have a place and a home in the body of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## Blessing

The God of righteousness,  
who gives justice to the oppressed,  
who gives food to the hungry,  
who sets the prisoners free,  
**☩** bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

**Sending Song:** *“Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessings”*

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## Dismissal

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.  
**Thanks be to God.**



## Postlude

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**Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today!**

**Altar Flowers:** Adult Choir

**Altar Guild:** Gigi Werner-Winslow

**Assisting Minister:** Andrew Sell

**Communion Assistant:** Donna Gum

**Council Person of the Week:** Peggy Caister

**Offering Stewards:** Pat Brady

**Ushers:** David Proctor

Ron Almarode

Ron Myers



*The Chancel flowers are given  
this morning to the Glory of God  
and in honor of  
Mike Myers' 25th Anniversary  
from the Adult Choir.*



*Praise  
the LORD!*

*I will give thanks  
to the LORD  
with my whole heart,  
in the company  
of the upright,  
in the congregation.*

Psalm 111:1

*Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons  
Sunday, October 12  
Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost  
Youth Sunday*

*Service of Holy Communion  
and via You Tube*

*2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c  
Psalm 111  
2 Timothy 2:8-15  
Luke 17:11-19*



*Please print your new prayer concerns before worship on the sheet on the podium located in the back of our Worship area. Please ask ushers if you need assistance. In an effort to make the prayer list current to the life of the Grace congregation, the community and the world around us, names on the prayer list will remain for four (4) weeks and names on the on-going prayer list will remain for three (3) months. If the need is longer term, please notify the church office.*

Prayer Request for Members (Remain on List for four (4) weeks)

**Donna Dodge**

**Chuck Goodrich**

Prayer Request for Relatives/Friends (Remain on List for four (4) weeks)

**Kim Elliott**, Daughter of Pat Giesen

**Kathy Hale**, Friend of the Wilsons

**Kristy Hayes**, Friend of the Wilsons

**Rosemary Howard**, Sister-in-Law of Marsha Howard

**Maxine McKinney**, Friend of Grace

**Janie Robinson & Doug Jarrells**, Friend of Eric Hilker

**Katie Sauer**, Granddaughter of Pat Giesen

**Laura Siwik**, Niece of Linda Meyer

**Alden Wilson and Family**, Niece of Charlie Wilson

Joys and Celebrations (Remain on List for four (4) weeks)

Ongoing Need for Prayer for Members (Remain on List for three (3) months)

**Liz Ann Binns**

**Beth Brady**

**Phyllis Kite**

**Ron Knicely**

**Lee Lynch**

**Vivian Proctor**

**Bob Shumate**

Ongoing Need for Prayer for Relatives/Friends (Remain on List for three (3) months)

**Bishop C. D. Brown**, Friend of Grace

**Rebecca Ray**, Friend of the Schwiesows

**The Rosen Family**, Friends of the Schwiesows

**The Sipe Family**, Friends of Many

**Michaela Spellman**, Daughter of Alexandra Spellman

**Judy Timm**, Friend of Donna Gum

**Members/Friends Grieving (Remain on List for four (4) weeks\*)**

**Family of Gary Barrette**, Brother of Bob Barrette

**Family of Charlie Kirk**

**Family of Frank Morris**, Friend of Donna Gum

**Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Celebrating Birthdays**

**Glen Gray (10/11)**

**Prayers for the World**

To Cure "our warring madness" in the destruction and merciless killing in Gaza, the Ukraine, the Sudan, the Congo, Myanmar.

**Continued Severe Weather and flooding and those grieving loss of loved ones, livelihood or property.**

For Doctors, Nurses, Social Workers, and all those who work in our Hospitals, Doctor's Offices and Clinics, as they negotiate long hours, reduced staff, and uncertainty in health regulations

**The Murder of Charlie Kirk; the THREE mass shootings of last week: The Mormon church in Michigan; the Restaurant shooting in North Carolina; the Casino shooting in Texas, resulting in 9 deaths, 22 injured; and the communities, families, and friends impacted by these shootings.**

We also pray for the perpetrators of these shootings, and their families, friends and communities: Tyler Robinson, Thomas Sanford, Nigel Edge, Keryan Jones.

**The Church**

For our sisters and brothers at Christ Tabernacle Church of God in Christ, in their Mission, and in our partnership through the Christian Coalition for Equity and Justice (CCE&J).

**The Virginia Synod, ELCA, Bishop Phyllis Milton and staff.**

For the newly installed Bishop of the ELCA, the Rev. Yeheil Curry (formerly Bishop of the Metropolitan Chicago Synod) and The Rev. Lucille "CeCee" Mills, newly installed ELCA Secretary.

**For the Church throughout the World, to be faithful to Jesus and his Gospel in uncertain times.**



*Festival of Hymns  
Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>  
at 4:00 p.m.*



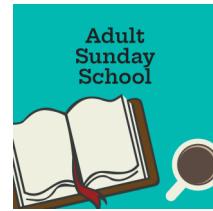
**Festival of Hymns Sunday October 5** - Plan to be a part of this special service at 4:00 p.m. **TODAY** at Grace! Hymns for all seasons of the church year will be highlighted and sung by the congregation and supported by a choir including members from Grace, First Baptist, Main Street United Methodist and other congregations. Many guest musicians will be a part of the service as well: a brass choir led by Andrew Fauber (who helped lead our Easter worship), Anne Barnes from Main Street UMC, Katie Glydewell (Choral Director at Stuarts Draft High School), Russell Blackburn (Choral Director at Riverheads Middle and High School), and our very own B K Wilson will conduct a choral selection. We will observe the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Mike Myers's service as Music Director at Grace - including a premier of the commissioned anthem by Pepper Choplin for Mike's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary that was never performed in 2020 due to COVID restrictions. Put the date on your calendar and invite friends, family and neighbors to join us for this worship in song!



**Reception**—A reception will be held today after the 4:00 p.m. Festival of Hymns in honor of Mike Myers' 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary at Grace.



All God's Children will begin discussing Good Reasonable People: The Psychology Behind America's Dangerous Divide by Keith Payne. The book challenges each of us to drop the weapon of demonization and replace it with something more powerful: a framework for understanding—and for being understood by—people who see the world differently from us. We will discuss the Introduction and the first three chapters at our next meeting, October 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the Grace Conference Room. All are welcome!



**Change in Adult Class Schedule:** The Adult Sunday School Class on "Reading the Bible" will NOT meet this morning, October 5<sup>th</sup>. We'll resume next Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, after worship, and extend our class schedule one Sunday, concluding on Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. Come and join us next Sunday!



**WARM—Grace Cold Weather Shelter 2025-26—Got any spare QUARTERS?** The month of OCTOBER, we'll have a container in the nave to collect any spare QUARTERS you may have. These will be used as prizes for games played during the Cold Weather Shelter week at Grace, December 8th-15th. WARM will organize games one night and prizes are given to guests—bags with quarters so they can do laundry during the week. Please help us collect QUARTERS!! Peace—Susan Myers, 434-760-1660 (text/call if you would like to volunteer to help or if you have questions!)



**Youth-led Worship Sunday, October 12th!** - Grace Confirmation, Youth and Children will be taking responsibility for leading us throughout the Worship Service on Sunday, October 12th. As baptized children of God, and as a part of growing in their faith and life, we look forward to their leadership!



The 50th Anniversary of the Waynesboro-East Augusta **CROP HUNGER WALK** took place at North Park on Sunday afternoon, September 21. The weather was beautiful and walkers seemed to really like using the South River Greenway as the new walk route. Donna Yobs, Gwen Kite, Sarah Beth Kite, Charlie Wilson and Karen Walck represented the Grace Lutheran team. Donations of \$2,275 surpassed our goal of \$1,550. Thank you to everyone who walked and donated towards the important work that CWS does all over the world. Twenty five percent of all local money raised will stay here in the community to help alleviate hunger. Local money is being divided among VPAS Meals on Wheels, Disciples Kitchen and the Blue Ridge Area Food Pantry.



On Oct 14, Microsoft will stop supporting 1.4 billion Windows 10 computers. Instead of trying to cover all the complicated scenarios, I thought I would provide a link to one of the best articles on the topic: [www.zdnet.com/article/your-complete-windows-11-upgrade-guide-everything-to-know-before-you-ditch-windows-10/](http://www.zdnet.com/article/your-complete-windows-11-upgrade-guide-everything-to-know-before-you-ditch-windows-10/).

The best place to check to see if your computer can be upgraded is to run the compatibility PC Health Check App:<http://www.microsoft.com/en-us/windows/windows-11#pchealthcheck>

Thanks; Owen Keefer



Food  
Pantry  
Needs

**Food Pantry Collections:** A huge thanks to everyone as you continue to bring food for the food bank box near the office. Your donation is much appreciated. To date, we have collected over **5,343** pounds of food (we have made **fifty-four** deliveries, twenty-four to Main Street United Methodist, and thirty to Calvary United Methodist, Stuarts Draft).

**New Notice!!!** There is a need for diapers, especially sizes 3-6. All diapers will be, and have been, delivered to Calvary United Methodist. In addition, 20 pounds of condiments have been delivered to the Bread Basket.



**One way to respond to God's Grace with our Offerings!** Many people are turning to technology to offer their offerings to God in thanksgiving for all that God has done! You can use the QR code in this announcement to make your gift through your cell phone, through Tithe.ly, a secure giving method that's been used by many at Grace for years.



*Life of Grace Church*  
October 5-12, 2025

Day	Date	Time	Meetings, etc.
Sunday	10/05	10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost Service of Holy Communion  Confirmation Class Children's Sunday School  Mike's 25th Anniversary Ecumenical Hymn Fest and Reception
Monday	10/06		
Tuesday	10/07	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Backpacks  Quilters (Fellowship Hall)  Round Tables
Wednesday	10/08	10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:15 p.m.	Prayer Group (Chapel)  Yoga (Seminar Room)  Community Meal  Hand Bell Choir Practice  Choir Practice
Thursday	10/09	12:30 p.m.	Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall)
Friday	10/10		Church Office Closed
Saturday	10/11	11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	Yoga (Seminar Room)  Claire Viette Funeral—Grace Lutheran
Sunday	10/12	10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost Service of Holy Communion  Youth Sunday  Confirmation Class Children's Sunday School Adult Sunday School

**Monday**  
1 Kings 13:1-10  
Philippians 1:1-11  
Mark 15:40-47  
Morning Psalm 145, Evening 112

**Tuesday**  
1 Kings 16:23-34  
Philippians 1:12-30  
Mark 16:1-8 (9-20)  
Morning Psalm 146, Evening 86

**Wednesday**  
1 Kings 17:1-24  
Philippians 2:1-11  
Matthew 2:1-12  
Morning Psalm 147:1-12, Evening 4

**Thursday**

1 Kings 18:1-19  
Philippians 2:12-30  
Matthew 2:13-23  
Morning Psalm 147:13-21, Evening 27

**Friday**  
1 Kings 18:20-40  
Philippians 3:1-16  
Matthew 3:1-12  
Morning Psalm 148, Evening 139

**Saturday**  
1 Kings 18:41-19:8  
Philippians 3:17-4:7  
Matthew 3:13-17  
Morning Psalm 149, Evening 111



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