



Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 2, 2026

*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

Based on Evangelical Lutheran Worship

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 or you can use the QR Code below to complete a Visitor Card electronically. We ask that all who commune fill in a communion card. **(Please place visitor cards and communion cards in the offering plate.)***

We have Gluten Free Communion Wafers available on the plate beside the grape juice.

Restrooms are 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.

Name Tags will remain in the back of the sanctuary in alphabetical order. We hope you will use them and return them to racks when you leave. This will be a huge help to our new Pastor.



Gathering

Prelude: “Lift Thine Eyes”

Mendelssohn/arr. R. Graham

“Deep River”

Nall/arr. R. Graham

Brass Choir

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



Gathering

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 holy Trinity, ✙ one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,
we confess to you all our sins.
Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.
In your mercy, call us back to you.
Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.
Restore us to dwell in your peace.
In Christ's name we pray,
Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me,
all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."
In the name of God,
Father, ✙ Son, and Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Rest in God's love.
Amen.

freely
forgiven

Gathering Hymn: "O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts"

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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.

Hymn of Praise

Let Us Go to the House of the Lord

I Was Glad

The musical score is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of eight lines of music. The first line begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the staff, with some lines having multiple phrases. The music ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us
go to the house of the Lord." I was glad when they
said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."
Called from ev - 'ry na - tion, called from ev - 'ry race,
Here the poor are wel-comed, here the lost are claimed,
Words that must be spo - ken, grace that must be heard,
gath-ered here for wor-ship in this ho - ly place;
Bro-ken lives are mend-ed, deep - est fears are named;
Mer - cy and for-give-ness from God's ho - ly Word,
God is here a-mong us, lift your hearts and sing,
Here the wise are child-ren and the weak are strong,
Here, will be re-peat-ed; Peace! to all pro-claimed,
make the walls and raf - ters ring.
Here, in Christ, we all be - long.
Shout - ed out in Je - sus' name.

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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Glorious God, your generosity waters the world with goodness, and you cover creation with abundance. Awaken in us a hunger for the food that satisfies both body and spirit, and with this food fill all the starving world; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

We sit.

Word

First Reading: Isaiah 55:1-5

A reading from Isaiah:

- ¹ Hear, everyone who thirsts; come to the waters;
and you who have no money, come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.
- ² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread
and your earnings for that which does not satisfy?
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.
- ³ Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.
I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.
- ⁴ See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples.
- ⁵ Now you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.



The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 145:8-9, 14-21

⁸ The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

⁹ **LORD, you are good to all, and your compassion is over all your works.**

¹⁴ The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

¹⁵ **The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, and you give them their food in due season.**

¹⁶ You open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

¹⁷ **You are righteous in all your ways and loving in all your works.**

¹⁸ You are near to all who call upon you, to all who call upon you faithfully.

¹⁹ **You fulfill the desire of those who fear you; you hear their cry and save them.**

²⁰ You watch over all those who love you, but all the wicked you shall destroy.

²¹ **My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD;
let all flesh bless God's holy name forever and ever.**

Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5

A reading from Romans:

¹ I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—² I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³ For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own brothers and sisters, my own flesh and blood. ⁴ They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; ⁵ to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

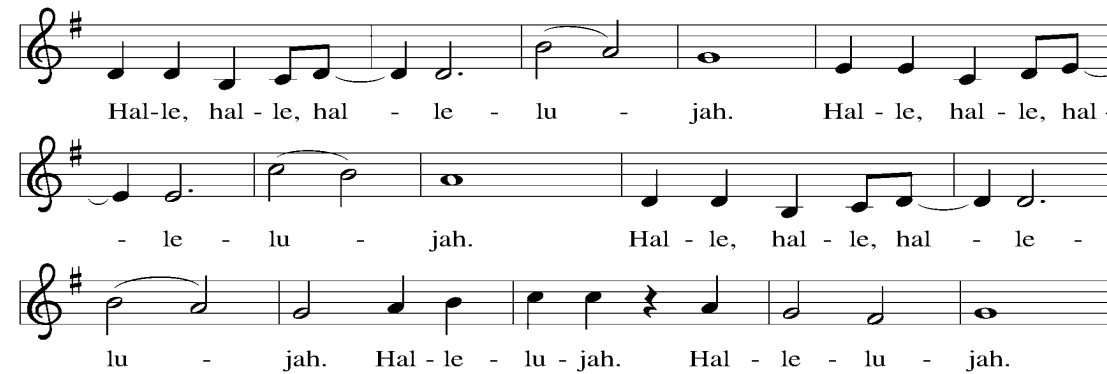
Thanks be to God.

We stand.



Gospel Acclamation

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah



Music: Caribbean traditional

Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew:

Glory to you O Lord.

¹³ Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist,] he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵ When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶ Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷ They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸ And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit.

Children's Message

Pastor Alex Zuber

Sermon

Pastor Alex Zuber

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

We stand.

Hymn of the Day: *"Break Now the Bread of Life"*

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Apostle's 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.**



Prayers of Intercession

With bold trust in God's unfailing provision, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

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

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised. All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Meal

Peace

Peace

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

Please greet those around you, remaining distanced, and offering a sign of peace to one another.

We sit.



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 below to make your gift on your cell phone through Tithely. (Please place visitor cards and communion cards in the offering plate.)

Offering: "Pie Jesu"

Brass Choir

Faure/arr: R.Graham

We stand.

Offertory Response

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Voice

Oh give thanks! Oh___ give thanks! God's love en-dures for ev - er

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Oh give thanks! Oh - give thanks! God's love en - dures for ev - er!

9

1. With our dreams and our fears,___ with our joys
2. With our strength and our weak-ness with our gifts

14

and our pain we___ come, we___ come. Oh give thanks! Oh
and our needs we___ come, we___ come.

20

___ give thanks! God's love en - dures for ev - er! Oh give thanks! Oh

24

Fine

___ give thanks! God's love en-dures for - ev - er

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Loving God,
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.
Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

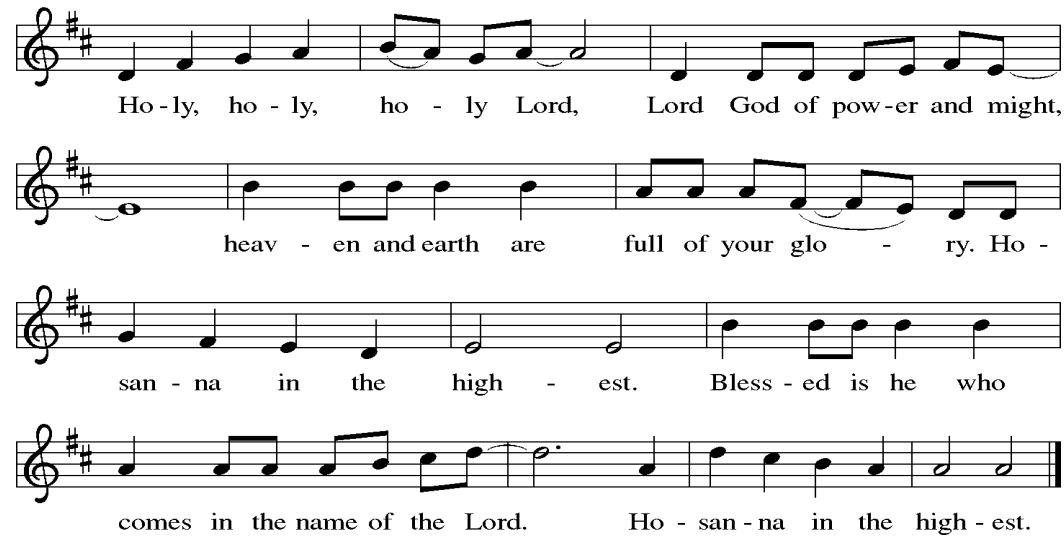
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

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:



Thanksgiving at the Table

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
 You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
 so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
 to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

Continued

For as often as we eat of 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.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,
and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,
not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,
may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.
Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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

**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,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**



Invitation to Communion

Heaven has come near.
Come, share in the feast!

Thanks be to God!

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 and gluten free wafers are available on the center table as you come forward, or you may receive the bread and wine from the Pastor and/or Communion Assistants. You may kneel or stand at the railing. The Pastor or assisting minister will announce "the body of Christ" as you receive/eat the bread/wafer, then the Communion Assistant will announce "the blood of Christ" as you receive/drink 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.



Verses 1 & 2 are sung in preparation for Holy Communion

For the Healing of the World

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef, key of D major (two sharps), and 4/4 time. It consists of six staves of music. The lyrics are arranged in three columns, with the first two columns corresponding to the first two verses and the third column corresponding to the third verse. The music features several triplet markings (indicated by a '3' over a bracket) and various note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes. The lyrics are as follows:

1 Des-per - ate peo - ple are mak-ing their way to see
2 Sure - ly he's borne all our griefs and col - lect - ed our
3 Still in our world we see peo - ple con - tin - ue to

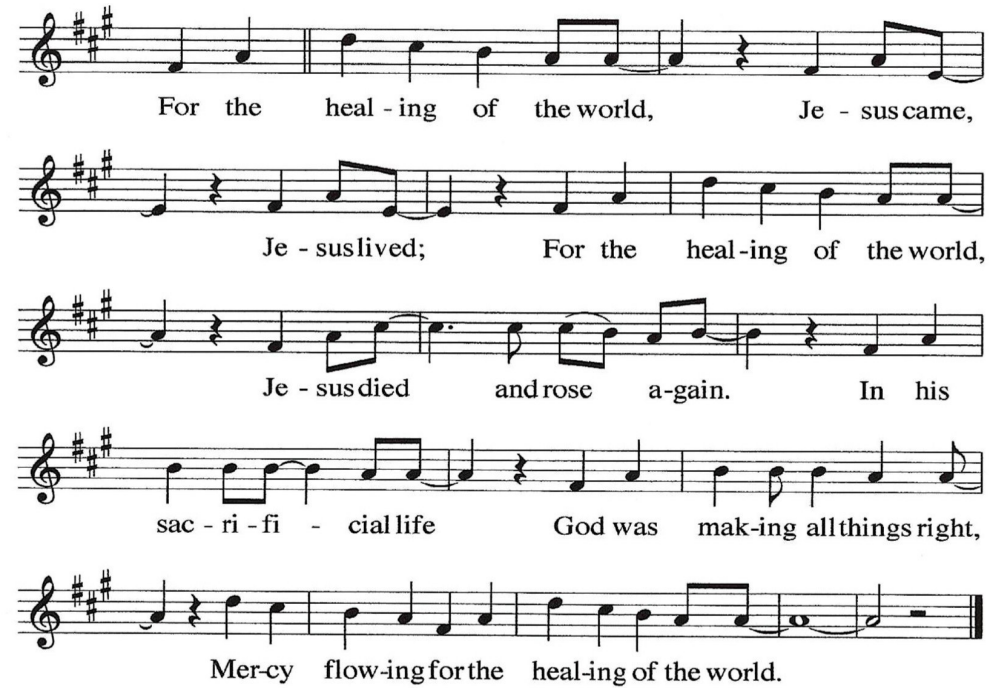
Je - sus; Wound-ed and bro - ken we
sor - rows; Here, in the sha-dow of
suf - fer: So man - y hun - gry and

come for we've no - where to turn;
death, he's no strang - er to tears;
so man - y liv - ing in pain.

Long-ing for free-dom from de-mons and all our dis -
Si - lent, he goes like a lamb as our weak-ness he
Now we must go with God's heal-ing and jus - tice to

eas - es, He's mak-ing us whole and
bor - rows; He's tak-ing the cup and
of - fer, For this is the call, he

free-ing our souls and we owe him our lives.
drink-ing it up, then he pours out his life.
asks for it all; Will you lay down your life?



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Communion Music: “Das Treue Deutesches Herz”

Julius Otto

Trombone Trio

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

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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.

Verse 3 is sung as the Post-Communion canticle.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Compassionate God,
**through the gifts of bread and wine
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.
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

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
 one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.
Amen.

Sending Song: *“O Living Bread From Heaven”*
Congregation, Organ and Brass

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Dismissal

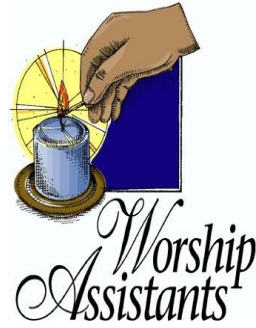
Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!
Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *“Der Englischer Gruss”*
From Marienlieder, Op. 22

Brahms/arr. Sauer

Brass Choir





Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today

<i>Altar Flowers:</i>	<i>Chuck and Judi Goodrich</i>
<i>Altar Guild:</i>	<i>Jean Morgan</i>
<i>Assisting Minister:</i>	<i>Linda Meyer</i>
<i>Communion Assistants:</i>	<i>Carolyn Hite</i>
	<i>Donna Gum</i>
<i>Council Person of Week:</i>	<i>Donna Yobs</i>
<i>Offering Stewards:</i>	<i>Pat Brady</i>
	<i>Jean Morgan</i>
<i>Ushers:</i>	<i>Ron Almarode</i>
	<i>Ron Myer</i>



*The Chancel Flowers today are given
to the Glory of God
and in celebration of
Ben Bayer's 51st birthday.*



Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons

*August 9, 2026
Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost
Worship Service
Pastor Alex Zuber
Preaching and Presiding
10:00 a.m.

1 Kings 19:9-18
Psalm 85:8-13
Romans 10:5-15
Matthew 14:22-33*



Please print your new prayer concerns before worship on the sheet in the white notebook located in the back of our Worship area. Please ask ushers if you need assistance. **Names on the prayer list will remain on for four weeks**, in an effort to make the prayer list current to the life of Grace congregation and the community and world around us. If the need is longer term, please notify the church office, and the person in need will be transferred to the "Ongoing Need for Prayer" list.

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

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

Betty Lou Campbell, Friend of the Almarodes
Martha Carper, Sister-in-Law of Wilsons
Terry Crow, Sister of Cathy Crowder
Charlie Fairchilds, Brother of BK Wilson
Joyce Hull, Friend of Gail and Sandy Johnson
Rick and Dustin Holtsclaw, Friends of Eric Hilker
Jed Maddox, Nephew of Linda Tomey
Barry Quickel, Son of Quickels
Janie Robinson, Friend of Eric Hilker
Valerie Stone, Friend of Gail Johnson
Cookie Wright, Friend of the Almarodes

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

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

Berenice Archambeault
Ron Knicely

Vivian Proctor

Liz Ann Binns
Lee Lynch

Continued

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

Lisa Barmore, Friend of Grace

Bishop C. D. Brown, CCE&J

Beth Hall, Friend of Gail Johnson

Niel Harris, Friend of the Trauschts

Carol Haywood and her Family, Friends of the Trauschts

Maria Marston, Friend of the Dolans

Carolyn Moser, Sister of David Schwiesow

Dr. Gary Murray, Friend of Gail Johnson

Carrie Peters, Niece of Schwiesows

Trina Shipley, Friend of Donna Gum

Judy Timm, Friend of Donna Gum

Bill Wevers, Brother of Jane Stein

Diana Ziolkowski, Friend of Goodrichs

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

Family of Charles Chittum

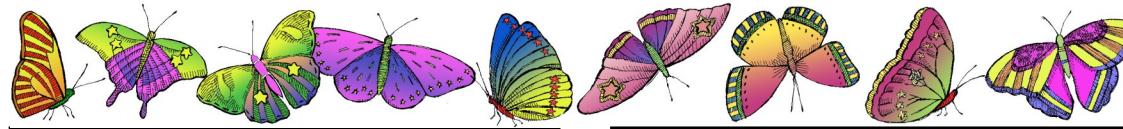
Family of Mike Eckman

Family of Joel McDonald, Friends of Many at Grace

Family of Emmy Walters, Aunt of Pastor Alex

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Celebrating Birthdays





Prayers for the World

For world leaders to lead toward justice and mercy in all countries.

For those in danger from wars and violence, particularly in Gaza, Iran, Lebanon, Ukraine, Nigeria, Sudan, and here in the United States.

The people of Nicaragua as they continue to endure the hardships and challenges of living in their homeland, including our friends Hellen, her family, and the former employees of the CICRIN school.

Prayers for Our Community

For safety and well-being for those who are poor, incarcerated, unhoused, and for the foreigner among us.

For those who are suffering from severe weather across our nation, especially those affected by flash floods in West Virginia.

Prayers for the Church

For the mourning family, friends, colleagues, and loved ones of Bishop Patricia Davenport, who died Wednesday after a battle with cancer. Bishop Davenport was the former bishop of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod, and the first African-American woman to be elected a bishop in the ELCA. For her trailblazing witness, her uplift of leaders of color, and her "grateful" spirit, we give God thanks and praise.

For the Christian church throughout the world, that it may sow peace, justice, and grace through all the earth.

For Christians in this world who suffer for their faith, and for those who suffer at the hands of the faithful.

For the Spirit to guide this season of transition at Grace with joy, understanding, and hope-filled vision.

For Lutheran Border Ministries, ELCA Advocacy Team, and Lutheran World Relief.

For Pastor Tina Toburen, who began her ministry this week as the new Virginia Synod Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry.



We welcome today's guest musicians: Curt Reynolds on trumpet and Chris Campagna, Bruce Fox, Robert Graham and Tom McKenzie on trombone. Robert has played at Grace several times over the years. He and his musician friends join us simply for the joy of bringing beautiful brass music to our congregation. Be sure to greet and convey thanks for their gifts to us today.



"Blessing of the Backpacks" - With School starting in our area on August 12th, we invite our children and grandchildren preparing for school to bring their backpacks - or more importantly themselves - to worship on Sunday, **August 9th**, so we may bless them as they prepare for a new school year. We do encourage all of our children and youth to be a part!



Disciples Kitchen is a local ministry that provides free lunches on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday and free breakfast to the community every Saturday. Grace has been involved with helping to prepare and serve the meals for many years. We provide lunch on a Thursday approximately every other month at Second Presbyterian Church on Delphine Avenue and breakfast every 1st Saturday of every odd month at Christ Tabernacle Church of God in Christ on S Winchester Avenue. We have been contacted to see if someone from Grace would serve on the Disciples Kitchen Board of Directors. It would be a two-year term and they meet in the afternoons. If interested or you would like more information on either Disciples Kitchen or the Board position, please contact Gwen Kite at 540 910 0508 or Linda Fields with Second Presbyterian Church at 434 361-2145 orlindabf@verizon.net. The website for Disciples Kitchen is <http://www.discipleskitchen.org>.



Renewing Homes Greater Augusta Work Project - We have a Renewing Homes work project that Grace and Zion Lutheran will be teaming up to redo a deck and two sets of steps on a home at Spruce Avenue in Waynesboro on Thursday and Friday, **August 27 and 28**, starting at 9:00 a.m. each day. As with past Renewing Homes projects, they provide the team leader and the building supplies. If you are interested in helping or have question, please contact Jerry Kite, 540-910-0508. We hope to have a team of seven (7) or eight (8) for this project.



You are invited to a Service of Holy Communion with the Order of Installation for **The Rev. Alexander C. Zuber as the 21st Pastor of Grace on Sunday, September 20!** The service starts at 5:00 p.m. and will celebrate the ministry of Grace, look with hope to our shared future, and give thanks to God for the mission we share. The service will be followed by a dinner reception in the Fellowship Hall, and all are welcome to join us. Join us for this faithful celebration with special music, joyful worship, and fellowship with all our partners in ministry. The service will also be live-streamed on our YouTube channel and a link will be provided.



This year's **God's Work, Our Hands** service project will be the **Rise Against Hunger** event held at Kate Collins Middle School on Saturday, **September 19**, from 10:30 to 12:30. Sign-up sheets will be on the back table starting in August. This is a fun event and we are expecting to have 14 or more area churches joining us this year. The meals we pack go to help with global hunger relief. If you need additional information or questions about the event, please contact Jerry or Gwen Kite. We are encouraged to sign up on line. The web link will be on the table with the sign-up sheet.



The 2026 Crop Walk will take place Sunday, **September 20**, at 2:00 p.m. starting at North Park. Our Grace fundraising page is now active at <http://events.crophungerwalk.org> and our team name is Grace Lutheran Waynesboro. You can also sign up to walk on our team page. The local Walk planning team would like to invite everyone this year, not just team captains, to the kickoff rally on Sunday, August 9 at 3:00 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal. We will have information on the three local hunger organizations that will receive some of the local donations, as well as a presentation by a staff member of Church World Service. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Walck at 765-480-9920.



Food Pantry Collections: A huge thanks to everyone as you continue to bring food for the food bank box near the office. Your donations are much appreciated. To date, we have collected over **5,681** pounds of food (we have made **fifty-nine** deliveries, twenty-nine to Main Street United Methodist, and thirty to Calvary United Methodist, Stuarts Draft). There is a need for diapers, especially sizes 3-6. 63 pounds of diapers have been delivered to Calvary United Methodist. In addition, 50 pounds of condiments have been delivered to the Bread Basket.



Life of Grace Church
August 2-9, 2026

Day of the Week	Date	Time	Meeting, etc.
Sunday	08/02	10:00 a.m.	Tenth Sunday After Pentecost Service of the Word and Holy Communion Pastor Alex Zuber, Presiding and Preaching
Monday	08/03	9:00—5:00	<i>Pastor Alex in Church Office</i>
Tuesday	08/04	9:00—5:00 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	<i>Pastor Alex in Church Office</i> <i>Worship and Music (Conference Room)</i> <i>Round Tables (Fellowship Hall)</i>
Wednesday	08/05	Noon—8:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	<i>Pastor Alex in Church Office</i> Yoga (Seminar Room) Community Meal
Thursday	08/06	9:00-11:00 a.m. 11:00—5:00 12:00 p.m.	 <i>Pastor Alex's Office Hours at Happ Coffee</i> <i>Pastor Alex in Church Office</i> Bridge Club
Friday	08/07		<i>Pastor Alex Out of Office</i> <i>Church Office Closed</i>
Saturday	08/08	11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	CCE&J Prayer Vigil @ Constitution Park Yoga (Seminar Room)
	08/09	10:00 a.m.	Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost Service of the Word and Holy Communion Pastor Alex Zuber, Presiding and Preaching Blessing of the Back Packs

Daily Lectionary

Monday

Joshua 7:1-13
Romans 13:8-14
Matthew 26:36-46
Morning Psalm 145, Evening 29

Tuesday

Joshua 8:1-22
Romans 14:1-12
Matthew 2:47-56
Morning Psalm 146, Evening 133

Wednesday

Joshua 8:30-35
Romans 14:13-23
Matthew 26:57-68
Morning Psalm 147:1-12, Evening 33

Thursday

Joshua 9:3-21
Romans 15:1-13
Matthew 26:69-75
Morning Psalm 147:13-21, Evening 62

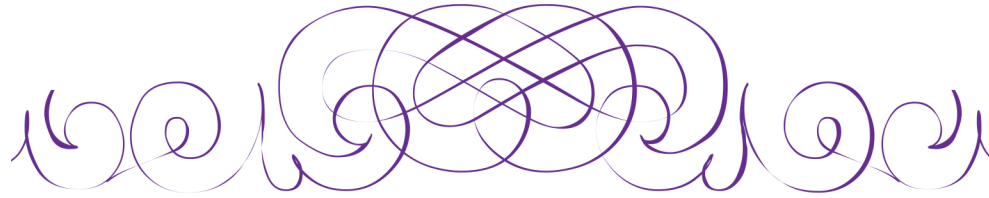
Friday

Joshua 9:22—10:15
Romans 15:14-24
Matthew 27:1-10
Morning Psalm 148, Evening 65

Saturday

Joshua 23:1-16
Romans 15:25-33
Matthew 27:11-23
Morning Psalm 149, Evening 98





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