

Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church! We are brothers and sisters in Christ who are about "Proclaiming God's grace through faith and love."

If you are a visitor, please make yourself at home and don't hesitate to ask a question. There will be the celebration of Holy Communion in the **8:00a.m. service** today. If you are not a member of Grace and desire to commune, please speak with the pastor **before the service**. If you are physically unable to commune at the altar, the pastor would be happy to serve you in your pew. Please, notify an usher before the service begins.

THE 17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) Sunday
October 5, 2025

Today in Worship

• The pastor's calling is, at once, a most difficult one but also the most joyous and fulfilling calling and vocation. Your pastor has the responsibility and obligation not to mislead you into sin but to apply the remedy for it. Preaching and teaching the Word of Christ, and administering that Word of forgiveness of sin and new life through the Sacraments, is not primarily the pastor's work but is indeed the work of Christ Himself. The pastor pours baptismal water, and the believer dies and is raised with Christ. The pastor does no magical incantation, but Christ speaks through him. The bread and wine are Christ's body and blood for you that takes away your sin (and the pastor's!), imparting forgiveness and eternal life. Pray for your pastor, as he prays for you.

 God's Grace to you as you come to the Lord's house for worship this day.

Forgive your pastor, as he lives by the same forgiveness he declares

Ringing of the Bells
Announcements (10:30am Service)
Welcome

to you.

Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book #512 "At the Name of Jesus"

Invocation & Sentences

Ps. 43:4; Hab. 2:4, adapt.

- In the name of the Father and of the

 Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P I will go to the altar of God,
- **C** to God my exceeding joy.
- P Behold the proud, his soul is not upright,
- **©** but the righteous shall live by his faith.

Confession & Absolution

Lk. 17:1, 5; 2 Tim. 1:8-9

- When the Lord Jesus warned His disciples, "Temptations to sin are sure to come," the apostles said, "Increase our faith!" Let us confess our own weakness and sin, asking the same of our gracious and merciful God.
- O God, Your Law is true and my delight. Yet because we still feebly struggle against sin, we confess our weakness and failure to live according to Your holy will. Our lack of faithfulness toward You causes us to hesitate or even refuse to love and forgive our neighbors. O God, increase our faith! Forgive us and renew our minds and spirit that we may serve You by faithfully serving our neighbor.
- P Upon this your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you. And in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, "by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of His own purpose and grace, which He gave us in Christ Jesus," I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Psalm 62



- P For God alone my soul waits in | silence; *
- from him comes my sal- | vation.
- P He alone is my rock and my salvation, my | fortress; *
- I shall not be greatly | shaken.
- P How long will all of you attack a man to | batter him, *
- ☐ like a leaning wall, a | tottering fence?
- They only plan to thrust him down from his high position. They take pleasure in | falsehood. *
- They bless with their mouths, but inwardly | they curse.
- P For God alone, O my soul, wait in | silence, *
- for my hope is | from him.
- P He only is my rock and my salvation, my | fortress; *
- C I shall not be | shaken.
- P On God rests my salvation and my | glory; *
- my mighty rock, my refuge | is God.
- P Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart be- | fore him; *
- **C** God is a refuge | for us.
- Those of low estate are but a breath; those of high estate are a de- | lusion; *
- in the balances they go up; they are together lighter | than a breath.
- Put no trust in extortion; set no vain hopes on | robbery; *
- if riches increase, set not your | heart on them.
- P Once God has spoken; twice have I | heard this: *
- that power belongs to God, and that to you, O Lord, belongs | steadfast love.
- f P For you will render | to a man *
- according | to his work.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son * and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | -ginning, * is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Hymn of Praise

Lutheran Service Book #849

"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- Let us pray. O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, by Your grace hear the prayers of Your church. Grant that those things which we ask in faith we may receive through Your bountiful mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

"Though evil seems to prevail, 'the righteous shall live by his faith.'"

L The Old Testament Reading for the 17th Sunday after Pentecost is from Habakkuk, chapters 1 and 2.

 $^{1:1}$ The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw.

² O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear?

Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save?

³ Why do you make me see iniquity, and why do you idly look at wrong?

Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

⁴ So the law is paralyzed, and justice never goes forth.

For the wicked surround the righteous; so justice goes forth perverted.

^{2:1} I will take my stand at my watchpost

and station myself on the tower, and look out to see what he will say to me, and what I will answer concerning my complaint.

- ² And the Lord answered me:
- "Write the vision;
 make it plain on tablets,
 so he may run who reads it.
- ³ For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end—it will not lie.
- If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay.
- ⁴ "Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith.[a]
- **I** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

2 Timothy 1:1-14

"Guard the good deposit entrusted to you."

- **L** The Epistle Reading is from Second Timothy, chapter one.
- ¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life that is in Christ Jesus,
- ² To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.
- ³ I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴ As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. ⁵ I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well. ⁶ For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, ⁷ for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.
- ⁸ Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, ⁹ who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not

because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰ and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, ¹¹ for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, ¹² which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that day what has been entrusted to me. ¹³ Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

- **I** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Verse Luke 17:3b

- P Alleluia. If your brother sins, rebuke him,
- and if he repents, forgive him. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 17:1-10

"Temptations to sin."

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 17th chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.
- ¹ And he said to his disciples, "Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! ² It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin. ³ Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, ⁴ and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' you must forgive him."
- ⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" ⁶ And the Lord said, "If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

⁷ "Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and recline at table'? ⁸ Will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink'? ⁹ Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? ¹⁰ So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.'"

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

The Nicene Creed 8:00am service

The Apostles Creed 10:30am service

Message for Children from God's Word

Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book #830 "Spread the Reign of God the Lord"

Sermon

Offertory ~ "Create in Me"

Lutheran Service Book #192-193

Offering

"Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' you must forgive him." — Luke 17:3-4



We encourage you to place your offering in the dropbox in the narthex before service. As the usher brings the offering forward at this time you may also hold it up and place it in the plate as the usher walks by. Please also use this time for prayer and reflection upon what we have heard from the Lord's Word this morning.

10:30am Service

Profession of Faith

Jim & Phyllis Keck

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Responses after each petition:

- **P** ...let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

The prayers conclude:

P Almighty and everlasting God, deliver us from temptation and the powers of evil, that we may be faithful unto death and receive from Your hand the crown of everlasting life. Whether we live or die, we belong to You. Comfort us with this promise, that we may join the company of the saints on Your appointed day and enter into the heavenly places to worship at Your throne on high; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore.

C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor.

Preface sung

LSB p. 194

Proper Preface

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should...

evermore praising You and saying:	
Sanctus "Holy, Holy, Holy"	LSB p. 195
Lord's Prayer Spoken	LSB p. 196
The Words of our Lord Spoken	LSB p. 197
Pax Domini "The Peace of Our Lord"	LSB p. 197
Agnus Dei "Lamb of God"	LSB p. 198
Distribution Hymns	
"Jesus Shall Reign"	LSB # 832
"May God Bestow on Us His Grace"	LSB # 824
"O Christ, Our True and Only Light"	LSB # 839
Nunc Dimittis "Song of Simeon"	LSB p. 199-200
Thanksgiving	LSB p. 200

The LWML Pledge

In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us.

We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

Tune: LSB #662

The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and ♣ give you peace.

C Amen.

Greeting of Peace & Announcements

Closing Hymn

"Serve the Lord with Gladness"

- 1. "Serve the Lord with gladness!" It is He alone Who redeemed us sinners, Guides us as His own To enjoy the blessings Of His love and grace, Will at last in glory Meet us face to face. Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim: "Serve the Lord with gladness!" Glorify His name.
- 2. "Serve the Lord with gladness!" He gave us command To proclaim His Gospel Now in every land So that fellow sinners May, like us, be blest. Leading them to Jesus, We can serve Him best. Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim: "Serve the Lord with gladness!" Glorify His name!
- 3. "Serve the Lord with gladness!" There's no greater joy Than to serve the Master, Work in His employ. As we build His kingdom Angels, too, rejoice Over every sinner Brought to hear His voice. Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim: "Serve the Lord with gladness!" Glorify His name.

Lord's Prayer The LWML Pledge

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Greeting of Peace Closing Hymn

Tune: LSB #662 "Serve the Lord with Gladness" Words in 8am service

Formula of Concord Reading Plan

October – Week 1 – The Week of Oct. 5 Topic this Month: Church Practices

Read:

- Epitome X, 1-2 (p. 496)
- Augsburg Confession XIV (p. 38-39)
- Augsburg Confession XV (p. 39)

