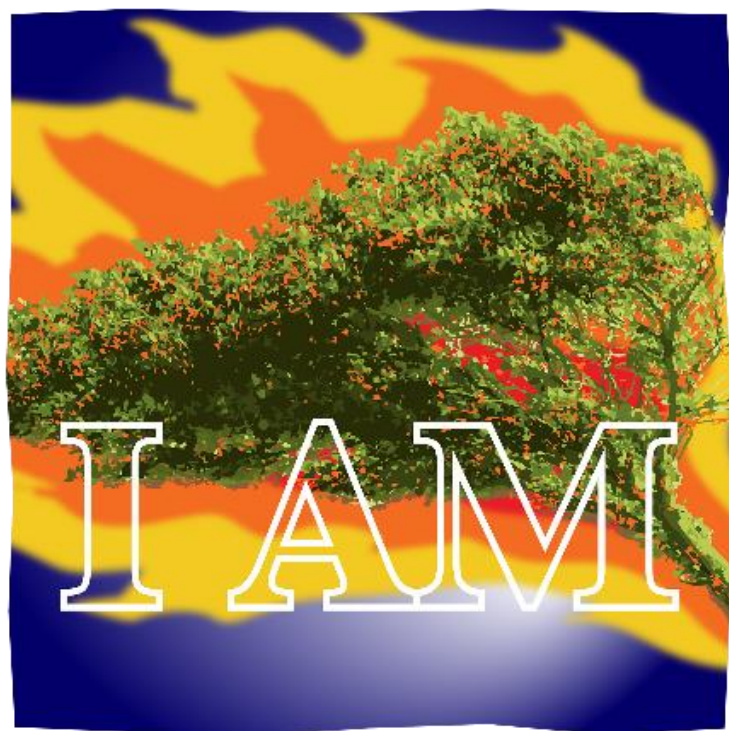




*Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church! We are brothers and sisters in Christ who are about “**Proclaiming God’s grace through faith and love.**”*

*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 **10:30a.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.*

22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 9, 2025

Today in Worship

- We are not far from the “holiday season.” In the secular world, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year’s roll into one big celebration. It is typical to have holiday traditions around special times of the year. Traditions can serve to make some moments more memorable and meaningful. But sometimes traditions add stress to an already hectic calendar or distract us from the real reason for celebrating. Before jumping headlong into the holiday season, soak up this moment in worship. See how the Lord repeatedly meets us with His best. See how surrounding ourselves with His Word and sacramental gifts truly makes us ready to celebrate, for this season and forever!



Ring of the Bells

Announcements (10:30am Service)

Welcome

Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book #524

“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”

Invocation & Sentences

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P This is the day that the LORD has made;

C let us rejoice and be glad in it. *(Ps. 118:24)*

P See what kind of love the Father has given to us, *(1 Jn 3:1)*

C that we should be called children of God; and so we are.

P Jesus said, "By this all people will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." *(Jn 13:35)*

C Let all that you do be done in love. *(1 Cor. 16:14)*

Confession & Absolution

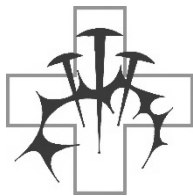
Colossians 1:13-14

P The Lord has delivered us from the domain of darkness

C and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

P Almighty God and Father,

C we confess, as Your people, our need for Your merciful kindness. We are prisoners of our own wants, our own traditions, and our own inborn sinfulness. Our actions and interactions often fail as reflections of Your kingdom. Our thoughts and desires often reflect the domain of darkness You have delivered us from. We often act out of our love for ourselves, rather than our love for others or for You. Forgive us and free us, Lord, to love what You love and go where You lead, all by the grace of our Redeemer, Jesus Christ. Amen.



P Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son, Jesus, to die for you, and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word made flesh, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Psalm 148



P Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the | heavens; *

C **praise him | in the heights!**

P Praise him, all his | angels; *

C **praise him, | all his hosts!**

P Praise him, | sun and moon, *

C **praise him, all you | shining stars!**

P Praise him, you highest | heavens, *

C **and you waters above the | heavens!**

P Let them praise the name | of the Lord! *

C **For he commanded and they were cre- | ated.**

P And he established them forever and | ever; *

C **he gave a decree, and it shall not | pass away.**

P Praise the Lord | from the earth, *

C **you great sea creatures and | all deeps,**

P fire and hail, | snow and mist, *

C **stormy wind fulfill- | ing his word!**

P Mountains and | all hills, *

C **fruit trees and all | cedars!**

P Beasts and all | livestock, *

C **creeping things and | flying birds!**

P Kings of the earth and all | peoples, *

C **princes and all rulers | of the earth!**

P Young men and maidens to- | gether, *

C **old men and | children!**

P Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is ex- | alted; *

C his majesty is above earth and | heaven.

P He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for | all his saints, *

C for the people of Israel who are near to him. | Praise the Lord!

C 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 #785

"We Praise You, O God"

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Living God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of Your grace to lay hold of Your promises and live forever in Your presence; 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

Exodus 3:1-15

"The Lord announces His intention to deliver Israel from slavery."

L The Old Testament Reading for the 22nd Sunday after Pentecost is from Exodus, chapter three.

¹ Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ² And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed.

³ And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." ⁴ When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵ Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶ And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

⁷ Then the Lord said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, ⁸ and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹ And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰ Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." ¹¹ But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" ¹² He said, "But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

¹³ Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" ¹⁴ God said to Moses, "I am who I am." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'I am has sent me to you.'" ¹⁵ God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

2 Thessalonians 2:1-8, 13-17

“Amid confusion and calamity, Paul exhorts believers to cling to his faithful teaching and the hope of Christ.”

L The Epistle Reading is from Second Thessalonians, chapter two.

¹ Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers, ² not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come. ³ Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, ⁴ who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God. ⁵ Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? ⁶ And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time. ⁷ For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way. ⁸ And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming.

¹³ But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth. ¹⁴ To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by our spoken word or by our letter.

¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, ¹⁷ comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Verse

Luke 20:38

- P** Alleluia. He is not God of the dead,
C but of the living, for all live to Him. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 20:27-40

“Jesus silences the scribes and Sadducees by witnessing of the God of the living.”

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 20th chapter.
C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁷ There came to him some Sadducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, ²⁸ and they asked him a question, saying, “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, having a wife but no children, the man must take the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers. The first took a wife, and died without children. ³⁰ And the second ³¹ and the third took her, and likewise all seven left no children and died. ³² Afterward the woman also died. ³³ In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had her as wife.”

³⁴ And Jesus said to them, “The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and to the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage, ³⁶ for they cannot die anymore, because they are equal to angels and are sons of God, being sons[b] of the resurrection. ³⁷ But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the bush, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. ³⁸ Now he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to him.” ³⁹ Then some of the scribes answered, “Teacher, you have spoken well.” ⁴⁰ For they no longer dared to ask him any question.

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

The Lord's Prayer – 3rd Petition

- L** The Third Petition of the Lord's Prayer
C Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

L What does this mean?

C The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.

L How is God's will done?

C God's will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will.

Message for Children from God's Word

Hymn of the Day

Lutheran Service Book #782

"Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings"

Sermon

Hymn

Lutheran Service Book #781, vv. 1-2

"We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Offering

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace."

– 1 Peter 4:10

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.



Stand

Prayer of the Church

Responses after each petition:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

P Great I AM, who revealed Your glory to the world through the Gospel, preserve us in the one true faith, established for every good work and word, that all who believe and belong to You would have the eternal comfort and good hope of grace that comes through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with Father and Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(10:30 a.m. Services continue page 11 of the Worship Folder.)

8:00 a.m. Service

The Lord’s Prayer

The Closing Prayer

P Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, as You deliver Your free and full forgiveness, extend to us also Your good hope, which comforts our hearts and establishes us for the good works prepared for us. Hold us in Your truth, that we would not wander or waver from the reliable testimony of Your Holy Word. And captivate our hearts so fully by Your Gospel that we cannot help but tell all creation of the glories of our triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

P The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The LORD look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

Greeting of Peace & Announcements

Closing Hymn

*Lutheran Service Book #783
“Take My Life and Let It Be”*

This concludes the 8:00 a.m. Service

10:30 a.m. Service

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.**

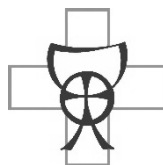
Preface *Sung*

LSB p. 161

Proper Preface

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

... evermore praising You and saying:



Sanctus *"Holy, Holy, Holy"*

LSB p. 161

Lord's Prayer *Spoken*

LSB p. 162

The Words of our Lord *Spoken*

LSB p. 162

Pax Domini *"The Peace of Our Lord"*

LSB p. 163

Agnus Dei *"Lamb of God"*

LSB p. 163

Distribution Hymns

"Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise"

LSB # 680

"Father Welcomes"

LSB # 605

"What Is This Bread"

LSB # 629

Thank the Lord

LSB p. 164

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Formula of Concord Reading Plan

November – Week 2 – The Week of Nov. 9

The Topic this Month: Election

Read:

- Epitome XI, 2-15 (p. 498-499)
- Solid Declaration XI, 13-32 (p. 604-607)

