

**Pentecost 5**

**June 27, 2021**



*Daughter,  
your  
faith has  
made you  
well*

MARK 5:34

## **Grace Lutheran Church**

**Worship at 8:00 am (Spoken) & 10:15 am (Liturgical)**

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**Pastor: Rev. Althea Albright**

**Music Director: Mr. Scott J. Breiner**

**Church Secretary: Diana McArdle**

**Sexton: Andrew McCarrick**

## Welcome

Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church! We are glad you are here whether you are here to worship with us as a first time visitor, friend, neighbor, or lifelong member. If you have any questions, concerns, or need pastoral care, Pastor Althea would love to talk with you. Feel free to speak with her after worship or contact her by email at: [pastoralthea3@gmail.com](mailto:pastoralthea3@gmail.com)

## Mission Statement

Through God's Word and Holy Spirit, Grace Lutheran Church will be...

- Inviting all people to ***belong*** to the church of Jesus Christ,
- Equipping those who ***believe*** as faithful disciples of Jesus, and
- Sending members to ***become*** caring servants of God in the world.

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### Serving in Worship Today—

**Worship Assistant:** Stephen Gring      **Altar Guild:** Brenda Traa

**Sound Technicians:** Jim Foreman, Michael Piskun, Shawn Welfield

### In Our Hearts and Prayers

Greetings members, friends, and family of Grace! We are trying a new way of listing our prayer concerns in the coming weeks. If you notice someone who is missing or if anyone has someone new to add, please don't hesitate to contact Pastor Althea via phone, Facebook, or email or contact our secretary in the office to add people who are on our hearts each week and include our ongoing concerns.

**Members of Grace:** Jim C., Cheryl R., Betty N., John N.

#### **Family and friends:**

Andrea and family, Elliott (friend of Pastor Althea). Jody (niece of Grings), Maria, Cecilia, and Richard (friends of Wellfields), Dr. Frank, (friend of Diana McArdle), Jim, Vicki, Don, and Barbara (friends of Meg LaSpina), Bill and Annmarie (friends of Marlene D.), Tami (friend of Brenda T.)

**Those Serving Our Country:** Matt Bilello, ANG; Daniel Casner 3rd, USN; Sgt. Joshua McArdle, USN; Cainan Johnson, USAF

**At Home** - Bonnie Condliff, Joan Glenz, Ruth Kruger, Dot Reichelt, Lois Rahme, Lois Reardon, & Skip Uhrmann

**Shores@Wesley Manor:** Dot Crawshaw, Eleanor Guire, Eileen Rumble

**Woodview Estates:** Lorraine Moore

**WITH ONE VOICE**  
**BREAD OF LIFE**  
**Congregation responses in bold print.**

## GATHERING

**WELCOME**

Rev. Althea Albright

**HYMN SING**

Selected hymns are inserted in the bulletin.

*Please stand as you are able*

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Gracious God, we open our hearts to you, you know each of us inside and out,  
 we cannot hide anything from you. Create in us hearts of love and humble us to  
 serve you by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit. Renew our relationship with  
 you and restore our joy as we worship you and magnify your holy name. **Amen**

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

**God of Grace, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and  
 given ourselves into the power of sin. We humbly repent and we want to  
 be close to you again. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and  
 unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Restore  
 our relationship with you. Uphold us and strengthen us with your Holy  
 Spirit, so that we may live and serve you once again through Jesus Christ,  
 our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ.  
 By grace you have been saved through faith. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ,  
 all of your sins are forgiven. May God strengthen you with power through the  
 Holy Spirit, that you may know Jesus' great mercy and love for you. **Amen.**

## 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** Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.  
*Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:*



**A** Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **C** Christ, have mer - cy.  
*Christ, . . . . have mer - cy:*



**A** Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.  
*Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:*

L O R D H A V E M E R C Y  
*Christ have mercy*  
 L O R D H A V E M E R C Y

## GLORY TO GOD



**Refrain:** **¶** Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



**¶** Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we

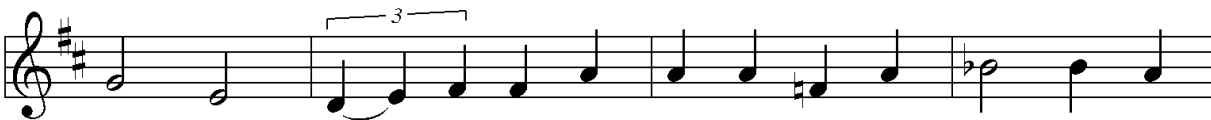


wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

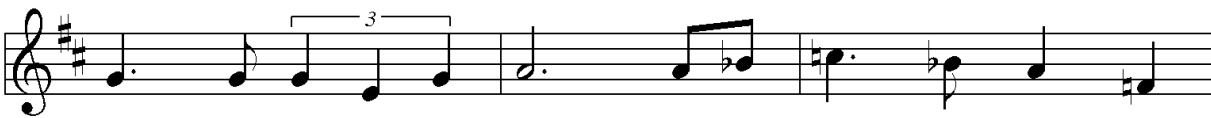
**Refrain:**



**¶** Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

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☐ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



I For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
II



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.



☐ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth,



and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

*Psalm continues on the next page*

<sup>4</sup>**Sing praise to the LORD, | all you faithful; / give thanks in ho- | ly remembrance.**

<sup>5</sup>God's wrath is short; God's favor | lasts a lifetime.

Weeping spends the night, but joy comes | in the morning.

<sup>6</sup>**While I felt se- | cure, I said, / "I shall never | be disturbed.**

<sup>7</sup>You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong | as the mountains."

Then you hid your face, and I was | filled with fear.

<sup>8</sup>**I cried to | you, O LORD; / I pleaded with | my Lord, saying,**

<sup>9</sup>"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down | to the pit?

Will the dust praise you or de- | clare your faithfulness?

<sup>10</sup>**Hear, O LORD, and have mer- | cy upon me; / O LORD, | be my helper."**

<sup>11</sup>You have turned my wailing | into dancing;

you have put off my sackcloth and clothed | me with joy.

<sup>12</sup>**Therefore my heart sings to you | without ceasing;**

**O LORD my God, I will give you | thanks forever.**

## **SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15**

*Paul encourages the Corinthians to honor their commitment to participate in the collection his churches are organizing for the Christians in Jerusalem. He presents Jesus as an example of selfless stewardship and reminds them that Christians have received abundantly so that they can share abundantly.*

<sup>7</sup>Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

<sup>8</sup>I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. <sup>9</sup>For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. <sup>10</sup>And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—<sup>11</sup>now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. <sup>12</sup>For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. <sup>13</sup>I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between <sup>14</sup>your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. <sup>15</sup>As it is written,

"The one who had much did not have too much,  
and the one who had little did not have too little."

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

*Please stand as you are able*



## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



## GOSPEL READING: Mark 5:21-43

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

*Jairus, a respected leader, begs Jesus to heal his daughter. A woman with a hemorrhage was considered ritually unclean and treated as an outcast. Both Jairus and the unnamed woman come to Jesus in faith, believing in his power to heal and bring life out of death.*

<sup>21</sup>When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. <sup>22</sup>Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet <sup>23</sup>and begged him repeatedly, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.” <sup>24</sup>So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. <sup>25</sup>Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. <sup>26</sup>She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. <sup>27</sup>She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, <sup>28</sup>for she said, “If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.”

<sup>29</sup>Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. <sup>30</sup>Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my clothes?” <sup>31</sup>And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, ‘Who touched me?’” <sup>32</sup>He looked all around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup>But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth.

<sup>34</sup>He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

<sup>35</sup>While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" <sup>36</sup>But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." <sup>37</sup>He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. <sup>38</sup>When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. <sup>39</sup>When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." <sup>40</sup>And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. <sup>41</sup>He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" <sup>42</sup>And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. <sup>43</sup>He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat. The gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

Rev. Althea Albright

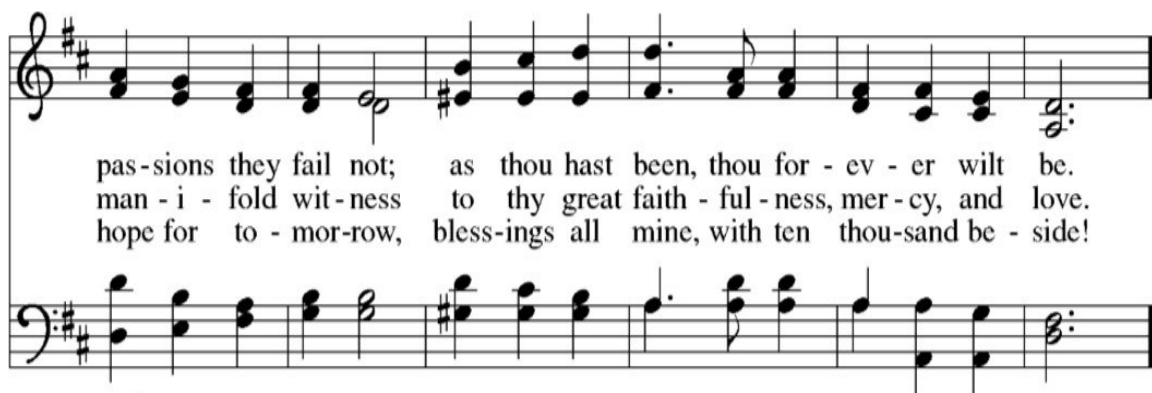
## HYMN OF THE DAY

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

ELW # 733

1 Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no  
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest, sun, moon, and  
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear

shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -  
 stars in their cours - es a - bove join with all na - ture in  
 pres - ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to - day and bright



pas-sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
 man - i - fold wit-ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
 hope for to - mor-row, bless-ings all mine, with ten thou-sand be - side!

*Refrain*



Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by  
 morn-ing new mer-cies I see; all I have need - ed thy  
 hand hath pro - vid - ed; great is thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un - to me.

## APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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

## WEEKLY OFFERING

*We are thankful for however you are able to continue supporting our ministry at Grace. Offering may be received through the mail, church office, or Simply Giving online. Please call the church office if you need assistance with Simply Giving, or have any questions or concerns.*

## OFFERTORY

*I Will Extol You, O Lord*

by Philip M. Young

## PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

*Please stand as you are able*



☐ Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - sing. 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 dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we



of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,



Lord, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

*Please be seated*

## OFFERING PRAYER

*We pray together for however we have made offerings to God in our lives.*

Let us pray. **We praise you, God, Creator of the universe. We thank you for all of the blessings in our lives and in the lives of those around us. Take these gifts and use them for your holy work. Grant us opportunities to serve those in need. Send your Spirit to watch over us and guide us in all that we do through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Pastor: Let us come before Almighty God in prayer.

*Brief silence.*

*Leader:* God of hope, the ministry of your church extends across borders, from nearby neighbors to far and distant countries. Accompany all those who labor eagerly in service of the gospel, that through your good news all might experience transformation. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* Almighty God, we give you thanks for the air we breathe, the water we drink, the land that provides our food. Guard all species of plants and animals from harsh changes in climate and empower us to protect all you have made. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* Righteous God, we pray for nations and their leaders. Give them a spirit of compassion and steer them towards a fair distribution of resources; that none among us would have too much or too little. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*Pastor:* God of healing, your touch has the power to make us whole. We pray for those suffering from physical or mental illness. Embrace those who are sick (*especially*). Surround them with your unwavering presence. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* We pray for this assembly and all those gathered together in worship. Revive our spirits, renew our relationships, and rekindle our faith, that we might experience resurrection in this community. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* We give thanks for the faithful ancestors in every age whose lives have pointed us towards you. Envelop them in your love, that we may be reunited with one another in the last days. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*Pastor:* We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace. **Amen.**

# MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

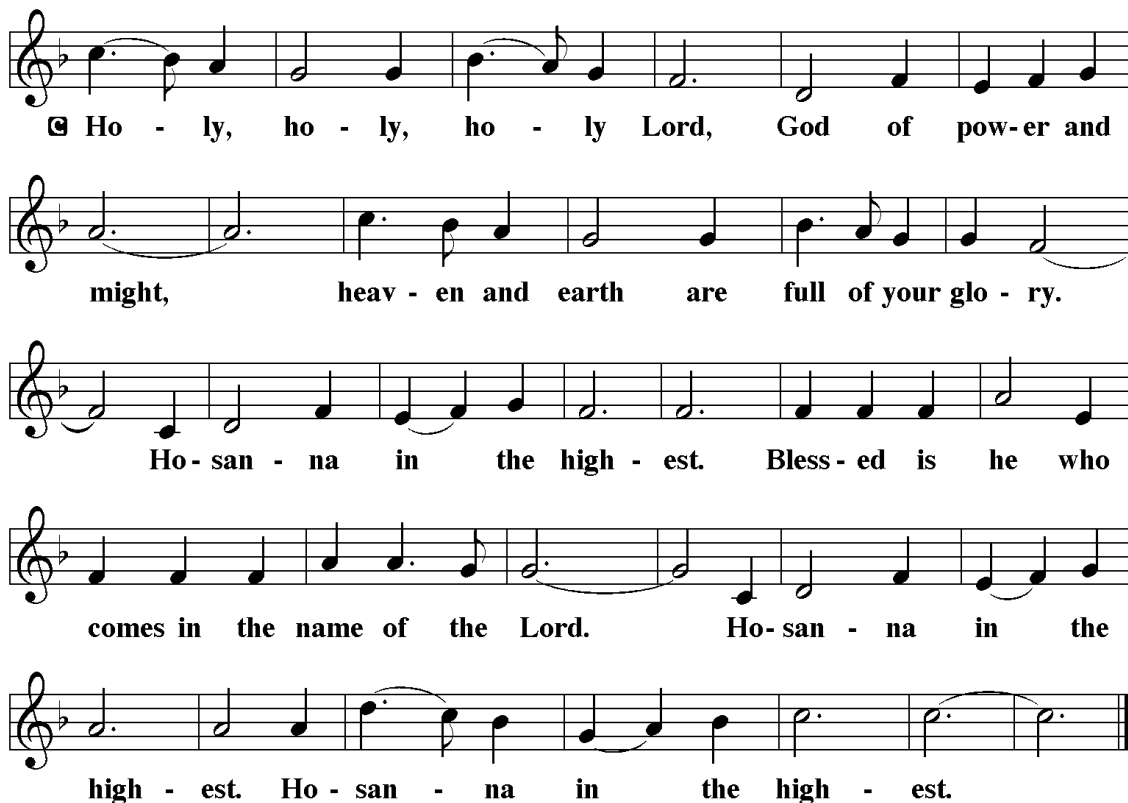
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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 and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; 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 the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and

might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Almighty God, at this, your holy table, we come to you to be fed by your presence.

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

On 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.

Together we celebrate this holy meal. May all praise and thanks be to you, Holy God,  
through Christ Jesus, and by your Life-giving Spirit. Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by Christ, let us pray.

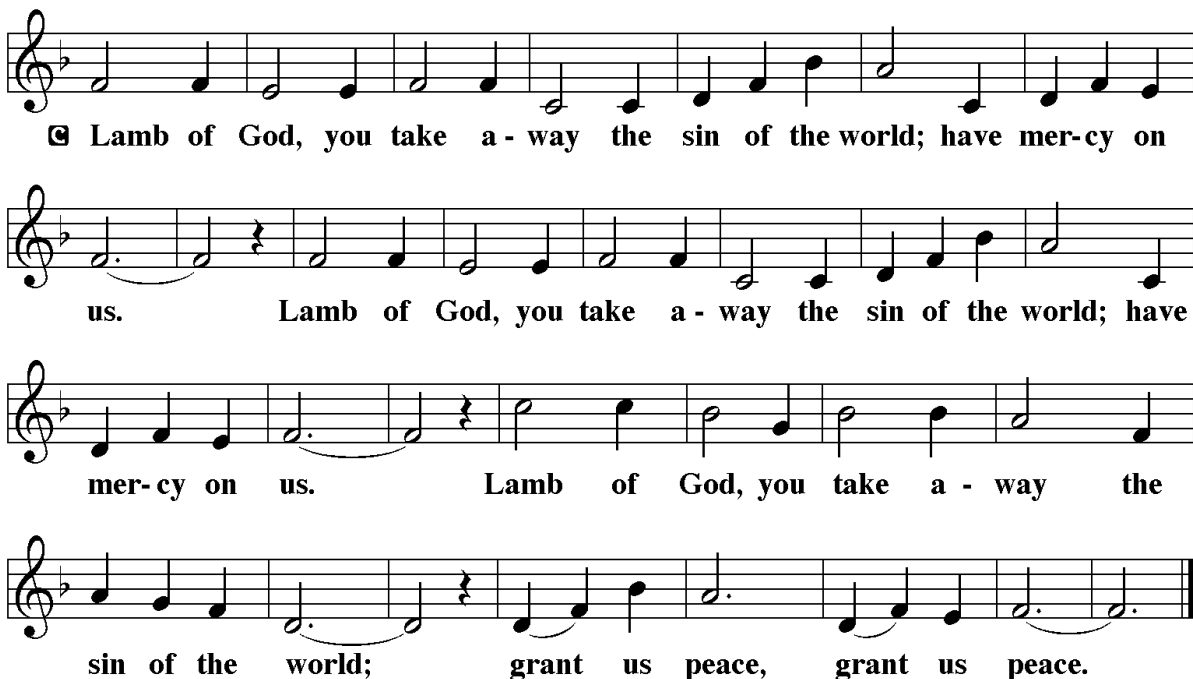
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we  
forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*We will partake of the bread and grape juice together.  
Wait for direction from the pastor.*

Taste and see the love of Christ. **Amen.**

## COMMUNION HYMN



**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.**

This is the body of Christ given for you. **Amen.** (*brief silence*)

This is the blood of Christ shed for you. **Amen.** (*brief silence*)





## CANTICLE



☩ Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -  
 one what God has done. Let all who seek the  
 Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.  
 Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and  
 lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -  
 giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts.  
 Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses,  
 that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people,  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# SENDING

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand as you are able.*

## BLESSING

Beloved children of God, as we are sent from this place, know that God loves you.

Christ's presence is with you wherever you go.

Finally, know that the Spirit is with you whenever you call on the Lord. **Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN

Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good

**ELW # 871**

*Please be seated for the postlude.*

*Take this time to listen to the music and contemplate the message presented today.*

## POSTLUDE

*Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good*

G. F. Handel, arr. by George Blake

## DISMISSAL

Go and serve others with the love of Christ! **Thanks be to God!**

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## SENDING HYMN

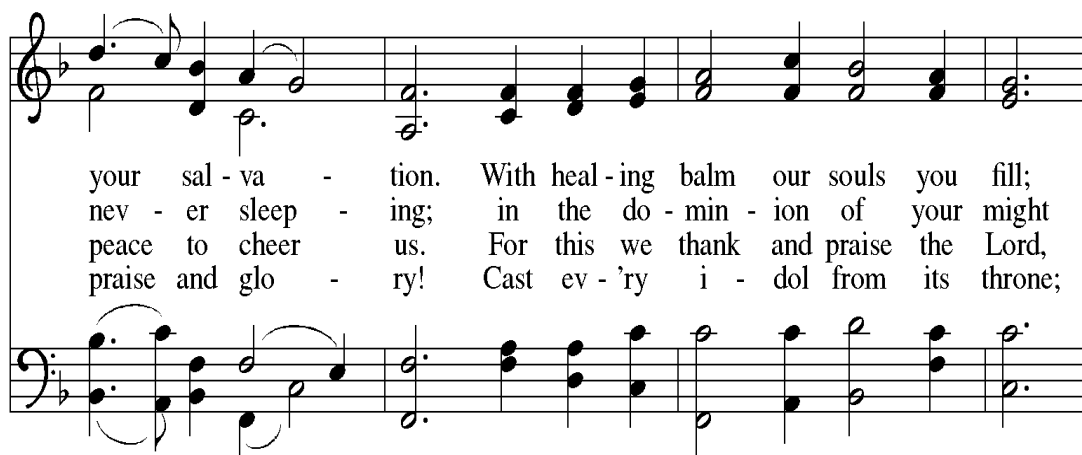
Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good

**ELW # 871**


1 Sing praise to God, the high - est good, the au - thor of cre -  
 2 What your al - might - y pow'r has made, in mer - cy you are  
 3 We sought the Lord in our dis - tress; O God, in mer - cy  
 4 All who con - fess Christ's ho - ly name, give God the praise and



a - tion! O God of love, you un - der - stood our need for  
keep - ing; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade, your eye is  
hear us. Our Sav - ior saw our help - less - ness and came with  
glo - ry! Let all God's sav - ing pow'r pro - claim; give God the



your sal - va - tion. With heal - ing balm our souls you fill;  
nev - er sleep - ing; in the do - min - ion of your might  
peace to cheer us. For this we thank and praise the Lord,  
praise and glo - ry! Cast ev - 'ry i - dol from its throne;



all our la - ment with peace you still.  
all things are just and good and right. To God all praise and glo - ry!  
who is by one and all a - dored.  
God is the Lord, and God a - lone:

# Events This Week - June 27 - July 4, 2021

## Sunday 6/27 Pentecost 5

8:00 am—Spoken Service - Lounge

10:15 am - Liturgical Worship Service  
Holy Communion

## Monday 6/28

9:00 am - 11:30 am - Food Pantry

7:00 pm - AA Meeting—Social Hall

## Tuesday 6/29

9:00 am - 11:30 am - Food Pantry

6:30 pm - NA

## Wednesday 6/30

9:00 am - 11:30 am - Food Pantry

11:30 - 3:30 - Bayside Bridge Group

7:00 pm—NA Meeting - Social Hall

## Thursday 7/1

5:00 pm - Choir Rehearsal

## Friday 7/2

10:30 am - Grace Stitches

7:30 pm - AA Meeting—Lounge

## Saturday 7/3

## Sunday 7/4 Pentecost 6

8:00 am—Spoken Service - Lounge

10:15 am - Liturgical Worship Service  
Holy Communion



**"...proclaim liberty throughout the  
land to all its inhabitants."**

**Leviticus 25:19**



**2021 FLOWER CHART** is posted on the bulletin board outside the Church Office. Available for weekly dedications are Candles, Sanctuary Flowers, Bulletins, Wine & Anthems. Please sign your name next to the date and item on the chart you wish to have dedicated in the bulletin.

**Be sure to fill out the payment envelope with all the information for the bulletin, a week before (or sooner) your desired date, place it in the Offering plate or bring to the church office.** Thank you, Diana

## Dedications

### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

In Honor of my daughter

Sara's Birthday

Given by

Mom, Roberta Blumenthal with love

### WINE

In Honor of our Son-in-law

Steve Sundra's Birthday

Given by Brenda and Bob Traa