



**Grace Lutheran Church**  
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To glorify God, to grow in faith,  
to give in service, together in Christ

**July 21, 2024**  
**9th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**9:15 a.m.**

Rev. Nancy M. Raabe, Pastor  
Kevin Freaney, Minister of Music  
Lynn Fasick, Office Administrator  
Jessica Moran, Stepping Stones Director

*Welcome Pastor John Berntsen*

**Prelude: To God Be the Glory** William H. Doane/Arr. Albin C. Whitmorth  
*(Piano & Organ Duet)*

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C. Amen.**

P. God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C. Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**C. we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P. In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C. Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN: O Christ Your Heart Compassionate** ELW 722

**GREETING**

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

**C. And also with you.**

# HYMN OF PRAISE



We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march - ing in the  
We are dancing ...  
We are singing ...



light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God,



we are march-ing in the light of God.



We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) oo



we are march-ing in the light of God.



We are march - ing (march - ing, we are march - ing) oo



we are march - ing in the light of God.

## Prayer of the Day

P. O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the love and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C. Amen**

## First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

<sup>1</sup>Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. <sup>2</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. <sup>3</sup>Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. <sup>4</sup>I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.



<sup>5</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>6</sup>In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Word of God, word of life.

**C. Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 23

Musical notation for the first line of Psalm 23. It features a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), and a common time signature. The melody consists of a series of eighth and quarter notes. Below the staff, the lyrics "The LORD is my shep-herd; I shall not be in want." are written in a simple, sans-serif font.

The LORD is my shep-herd; I shall not be in want.

<sup>1</sup>The LORD | is my shepherd;  
I shall not | be in want.

<sup>2</sup>**The LORD makes me lie down | in green pastures  
and leads me be- | side still waters.**

<sup>3</sup>You restore my | soul, O LORD,  
and guide me along right pathways | for your name's sake.

<sup>4</sup>**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall | fear no  
evil;**

**for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they | comfort me. R**

<sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence | of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.

<sup>6</sup>**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the | LORD forever. R**

## **Second Reading: Ephesians 2:11-22**

<sup>11</sup> Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision”—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—<sup>12</sup>remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup> But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup> For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. <sup>15</sup> He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, <sup>16</sup> and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. <sup>17</sup> So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; <sup>18</sup> for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup> So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup> built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. <sup>21</sup> In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; <sup>22</sup> in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Word of God, word of life. **C. Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Gospel: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

P. The Holy Gospel, according to Mark, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.

#### C. Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>30</sup>The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup>He said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup>And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. <sup>33</sup>Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. <sup>34</sup>As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

<sup>53</sup>When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. <sup>54</sup>When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, <sup>55</sup>and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. <sup>56</sup>And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in

the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

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

*Please be seated.*

**Sermon: “You’re Only Human . . . But So Is Jesus”**

**Pastor John Berntsen**

**HYMN of the DAY: I Heard the Voice of Jesus**

**ELW 611**

### **PRAYERS**

To the petition “Lord in your mercy,” please respond, “Hear our prayer.”



### **GREETING OF THE PEACE**

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

*Please be seated.*

### **OFFERING**

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**Music at the Offering: Stand Still and Listen**  
*(flute, Wendy Walter)*

**Sharon Wilson**

*Please stand.*

## OFFERTORY



1 All you works of God, bless the Lord! All you an - gels, now  
2. Bless the Lord all you pure of heart, All you hum - ble his



bless the Lord; come, you heav - ens and pow'rs that be,  
praise im - part; God the Fath - er and Son a - dore,

### *Refrain*



praise the Lord and his maj - es - ty: Raise your voic - es high,  
bless the spir - it for - ev - er more.



praise and mag - ni - fy, all you works of God, bless the Lord!

## OFFERING PRAYER

A. Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life,  
you have set this table with your very self,  
and called us to the feast of plenty.  
Gather what has been sown among us,  
and strengthen us in this meal.  
Make us to be what we receive here,  
your body for the life of the world. **C. Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

P. The Lord be with you. **C. And also with you.**  
P. Lift up your hearts. **C. We lift them to the Lord.**  
P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C. It is right to give God thanks and praise.**



P. It is indeed right, our duty and our joy....  
...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



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

In the night in which he was betrayed...

P. For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**C. Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

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

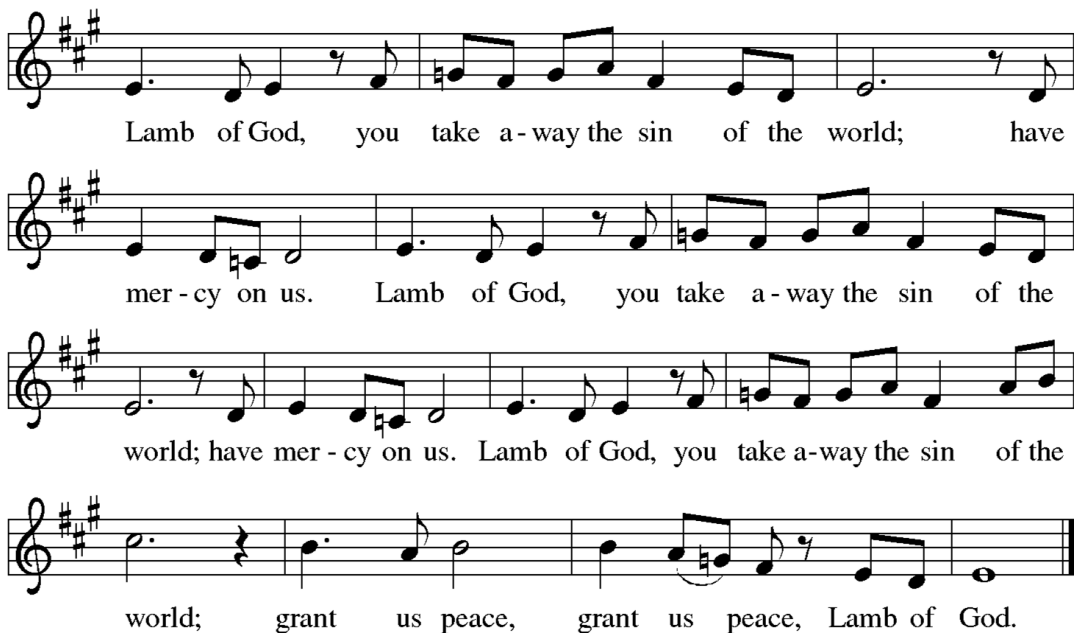
**Our Father, who art in heaven....**

## Invitation to Communion

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

*Please be seated.*

## LAMB OF GOD



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, Lamb of God.

## COMMUNION HYMN: Come to the Table

ELW 481

### TABLE BLESSING

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

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A. Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **C. Amen.**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand.*

### BENEDICTION

The blessing of Almighty God, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **C. Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN: Lord Speak to Us, That We May Speak

ELW 676

## DISMISSAL

P. Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **C. Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude: Rigaudon**  
*(trumpet and organ)*

**Andre Campra**

### **Serving today – Thank You!!**

Guest Preacher and Presider, Rev. John Berntsen

Kevin Freaney, Minister of Music

Music participants in the service: Will Shaffer, Annamarie Dieterle, Wendy Walter

Lector: Carol MacDonald

Ushers: Karen & Ken Seiler

Communion Asst: Carol MacDonald

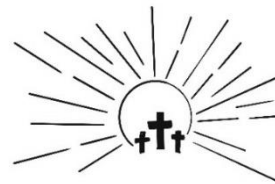
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Acolyte: Carol MacDonald

Coffee Hour: Karen & Ken Seiler

Council Offering & Lockup: Barbara Hess

Video Team: Harold Schaefer, Dan & Tami Sarm



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## Heads up for August Worship:

- **August 11 at 10:30 a.m.:** Joint service with the Jesus Love Church (*note time*)
- **August 18 at 9:15 a.m.:** Joint service with Faith Lutheran Church in Montgomeryville, this year it is at Grace, next year it will be at Faith. A light picnic will follow.



**Thank you for worshipping with us today!** A warm welcome to all visitors! Please join us again in person or online; find the link to the livestream of our service each week on our website or at [www.facebook.com/GraceLutheranHatfield](https://www.facebook.com/GraceLutheranHatfield)

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