



Grace Lutheran Church
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October 27, 2024
23rd Sunday after Pentecost, Reformation
8 and 10:30 a.m.

Rev. Nancy M. Raabe, Pastor
Annette Dittman, Director of Youth Ministries
Deacon Bruce W. Tonkin, Interim Minister of Music
Lynn Fasick, Office Administrator
Jessica Moran, Stepping Stones Director

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, we celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

Today we welcome guest organists Pat Keen (8 a.m.) and Deacon Bruce Tonkin (10:30 a.m.)

**Prelude: 8:00 am, O God Beyond All Praising
10:30 am, A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**

**Jeffrey Honore
David Cherwien**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,
have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have honored you with our lips,
but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.**

**The cravings at war within us
cause conflicts and disputes.**

**In our desire to be first
we make distinctions among ourselves.**

We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.

In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.

**Draw near to us with grace in time of need,
and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more.
By grace you have been saved.

In the name of † Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing,
your sins are forgiven. **Amen.**



GATHERING HYMN A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

ELW 504

Introduction: Trumpet and organ; Will Shaffer, trumpet.

Please stand at the end of the introduction.

Stanzas 1, 2, and 4: All

Stanza 3: Organ only

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 (8 a.m.) *sung to ODE TO JOY*

ELW Setting 10

Glory be to God in heaven;
peace, goodwill to all the earth.
Mighty God of all creation,
Father of surpassing worth:
we exalt you, we adore you,
we lift high our thanks and praise.
Saints and angels bow before you;
here on earth our songs we raise.

Holy One we now acclaim you;
Lord alone, to you we call;
Holy One in faith we name you,
throned on high, yet near to all:
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit,
in the Father's splendor bright.
For the peace that we inherit,
glory be to God on high!

HYMN OF PRAISE (10:30 a.m.): Praise Ye the Lord (Psalm 150) ELW 872

Congregation: Refrain; Cantor: Verses

Refrain



Praise ye the Lord, hal-le-lu-jah! Ev-'ry-bod-y, praise the Lord.

1 Praise God with the sound of the trumpet;
praise God with the lute and the harp;
praise God with the timbrel and dancing;
praise God wherever you are. *Refrain*

3 Praise God in the holy temple;
praise God for almighty deeds;
praise God for those bountiful mercies;
for God fulfills our needs. *Refrain*

2 Praise God with holy cymbals;
praise God with strings and with pipes;
praise God with clashing cymbals;
praise God with all of your might. *Refrain*

4 Praise God on top of the mountains;
praise God both day and night;
praise God down in the low valleys;
praise God because it's all right. *Refrain*

Prayer of the Day

P. Eternal light, shine in our hearts. Eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance. Eternal compassion, have mercy on us. Turn us to seek your face, and enable us to reflect your goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C. Amen

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9

⁷Thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say,
“Save, O LORD, your people,
the remnant of Israel.”

⁸See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
among them the blind and the lame,
those with child and those in labor, together;
a great company, they shall return here.

⁹With weeping they shall come,
and with consolations I will lead them back,
I will let them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;
for I have become a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Word of God, word of life.

C. Thanks be to God.



Psalm 126



Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.



¹When the LORD restored the for- | tunes of Zion,
then were we like | those who dream.

²**Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with | shouts of joy.**

Then they said among the nations, “The LORD has done great | things for them.” R

³The LORD has done great | things for us,
and we are | glad indeed.

⁴**Restore our for- | tunes, O LORD,
like the watercourses | of the Negeb.**

⁵Those who | sowed with tears
will reap with | songs of joy.

⁶**Those who go out weeping, carry- | ing the seed,
will come again with joy, shoulder- | ing their sheaves. R**

Children’s Message

Annette Dittman

Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

²³The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; ²⁴but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. ²⁵Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

²⁶For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. ²⁸For the law appoints as high

priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

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

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW Setting 10



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

P. The Holy Gospel, according to Mark, the 10th chapter.

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

⁴⁶ As [Jesus] and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷ When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁸ Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁹ Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” ⁵⁰ So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹ Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” ⁵² Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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

Please be seated.

Sermon: Hymnody and Life

Pastor Nancy Raabe

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS

To the petition "God of grace," 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:

8:00 am, "Joy Eternal"

Garrett Parker

10:30 am: Choral anthem, "God is Our Hope" (Psalm 46)

John Bertalot

Grace Festival Choir, directed by Deacon Bruce Tonkin

God is our hope, God is our strength,
God is a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear,
tho' the hills be carried into the midst of the sea.
Tho' the waters roar and swell, tho' the mountains shake.
Be still and know that I am God.
I am exalted in the earth.
God is our hope, God is our strength,
the Lord of hosts is with us,
the God of Jacob is our refuge – our refuge.

Please stand.

The offering is brought forward as the Offertory is sung.

OFFERTORY: All You Works of God

Stephen P. Starke



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,



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

Refrain



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

OFFERING PRAYER

A. Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n 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.

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

Jesus welcomes you to this table.

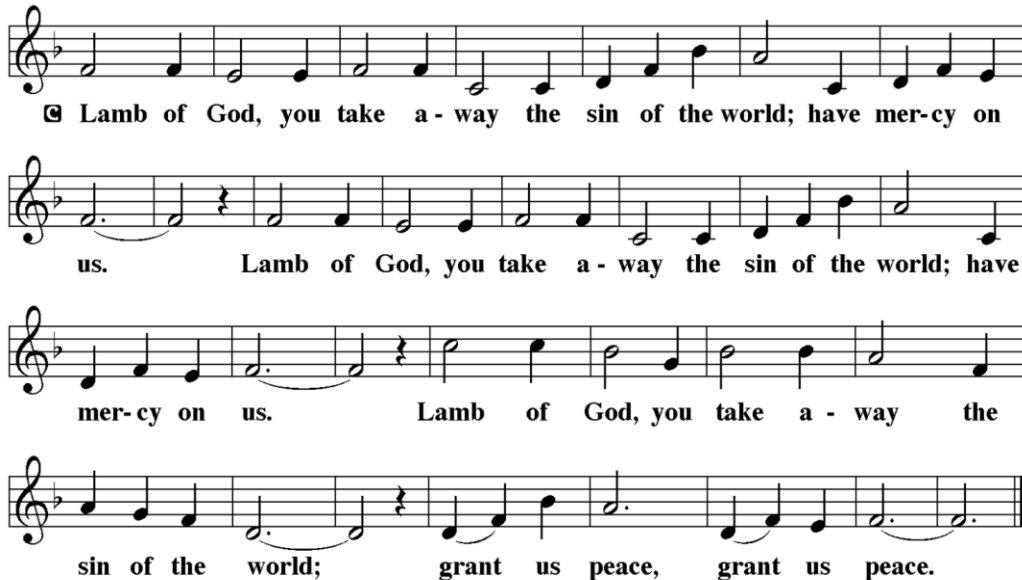
Come, here is your God.

Please be seated.

LAMB OF GOD

WOV Setting 5

All sing



C 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.

COMMUNION HYMN: Here is Bread

ELW 483

Please stand.

TABLE BLESSING

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

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A. Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us fully at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord **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.**



DISMISSAL

P. Go in peace to love and serve as Christ. **C. Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude: 8:00 am, Festival Postlude
10:30 am, A Mighty Fortress**

**Tours/Arr. Blake
J. Reuss from “Organ Festivity”**

Serving today – Thank You!!

Preacher and Presider: Rev. Nancy Raabe

Organists: Pat Keen and Deacon Bruce

Tonkin

Lector: 8:00, P. Schmidt;

10:30, Tula Family

Ushers: 8:00, P. Schmidt & D. Capanear;

10:30, Tula Family

Communion Asst: 8:00, B. Schmidt;

10:30, Cathy Farrell

Altar Guild: 8:00, J. Detweiler;

10:30, Tami Sarm

Acolyte: 8:00, Usher; 10:30, Usher

Coffee Hour: Bruce Schmidt

Council Offering & Lockup: 8:00, Dave

Kunkel; 10:30, Barb Hess

Video Team: Harold Schaefer,

Dan & Tami Sarm, Jayson Tula

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COFFEE HOUR is served in the atrium each Sunday. Plans are to move it into the narthex. Please join us for coffee, tasty snacks, and conversation! Members and families, be looking for opportunities from the new Fellowship Team to sign up to host Coffee Hour, featuring home-baked goods and special treats. We'll make the coffee. 😊



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