


Tenth Sunday after Pentecost ✚

August 14, 2022



Do you think
that I have come
to bring peace to
the earth?

LUKE 12:51

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Welcome to worship at Grace Lutheran Church. Everything you need to fully participate in our liturgical worship is contained in the bulletin. If you are visiting our church for the first time or have been away, welcome. Please sign our visitors book in the Narthex (lobby) or fill out a connection card located in the seating areas of the sanctuary.

- ✚ 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.

We thank those serving in worship today...

Altar Guild: Brenda, Clare, Marleigh, Nancy and Ruth

Worship Assistant/Leader: Carol Fry

~IN OUR HEARTS AND PRAYERS~

If you notice someone missing or if anyone has someone new to add, please don't hesitate to contact Pastor Althea by phone, Facebook, email or by calling the church office so we can lift their name in prayer next service. Please keep the following people in your daily prayers:

Members of Grace: Jim C., Jon N., Ruth T., Debbie K., Carol F., Mike D., Carole T., and friends and family of Kathy K., friends and family of Lois R.

Family & Friends: Donna W., Gage, Donna L., Diana S., Virginia, Elliot, Pastor Inge, Kristi and Lily, Amanda , Cat & Diana S. (*Pastor Althea*); Payton (*Joyce Bianco*); Stephanie B. (*Roberta Blumenthal*); Deb, Glen, Marilyn, Jeanne, Mc Cowan Family (*Bowdens*); Max S. (*Clare Brick*) Ron, Bonnie & Bob (*Susan Johnson*); Bob & Kim (*Jim Foreman*) Annmarie, Michael Ann (*June Jordan*); Shirley & Carl (*Debbie Kleuser*); Bob & Lou (*Dale Kredatus*); Jim & Vicki (*Meg La Spina*); Janice (*Diana McArdle*) Bernadette, Lou, Ron, Berl, Cindy, Eric, Donny, Carol (*Renee Pugliese*); Catherine, Sal and Ana (*Corinne Rhodes*); Karen (*Sue Robinson*); Bob T. (*Brenda Traa*) Dottie Currie (*Deborah Walker*); Jeff & Amanda (*Welfields*); Eileen, Marie, Beverlee and Darlene; Mary Anna & Frank.

Those serving our country: Matt Bilello, ANG; Daniel Casner 3rd, USN; Cainan Johnson, USAF

At Home: Bonnie Condcliff, Joan Glenz, Ruth Kruger, Dot Reichelt, Lois Reardon, & Skip Uhrmann **Shores at Wesley Manor:** Eleanor Guire, Eileen Rumble **Woodview Estates:** Lorraine Moore

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*All text in **bold** is to be read aloud (**All respond**)*

*Please take part in our service by referring to these hymnals: red Evangelical Lutheran Worship (**ELW**)
and blue With One Voice (**WOV**)*

WELCOME



Rev. Althea Albright

PRELUDE

Come, Ye Disconsolate

by J. Bert Carlson

Please stand as you are able

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
whose steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.**

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. **Amen.**

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

Most Merciful God, **we confess that we**
have not followed your path but have chosen our own way.
Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the
best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too
often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of
life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors.
Amen.

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins
but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of ✠ Jesus
Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.
Amen.

OPENING HYMN

Come, Ye Disconsolate

ELW #607⁴

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.**

Please turn to the front section of the red ELW hymnals.

KYRIE

ELW p. 203

HYMN OF PRAISE

ELW p. 204

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated

WORD

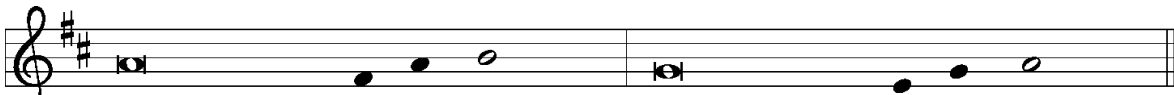
FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:23-29

Because Jeremiah preaches the unpopular message of God's judgment, he suffers rejection. Today's reading distinguishes between the true prophet, like Jeremiah, who speaks God's word, and the false prophet who misleads the people through dreams. One is like wheat; the other like worthless straw.

²³Am I a God nearby, says the LORD, and not a God far off? ²⁴Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. ²⁵I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" ²⁶How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? ²⁷They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they

tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. ²⁸Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. ²⁹Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

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



Psalm 82

¹God stands to charge the divine coun- | cil assembled,
giving judgment in the midst | of the gods:

²**“How long will you | judge unjustly,
and show favor | to the wicked?”**

³Save the weak | and the orphan;
defend the hum- | ble and needy;

⁴**rescue the weak | and the poor;
deliver them from the power | of the wicked.**

⁵They do not know, neither do they understand; they wander a- | bout in
darkness;

all the foundations of the | earth are shaken.

⁶**Now I say to you, | ‘You are gods,
and all of you children of | the Most High;**

⁷nevertheless, you shall | die like mortals,
and fall like | any prince.’”

⁸**Arise, O God, and | rule the earth,
for you shall take all nations | for your own.**

SECOND READING: Hebrews 11:29-12:2

The author of Hebrews presents us with rich stories of faith. In a long list of biblical heroes, we find examples of trust in God that enabled them to face the trials of life faithfully. In addition to this “cloud of witnesses,” we have Jesus, the perfect model of faithful endurance.

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus the

pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was 7
set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his
seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

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

Please stand as you are able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW p. 205

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the twelfth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Luke 12:49-56

Jesus delivers harsh words about the purifying and potentially divisive effects of obedience to God's call. The way of the cross often leads followers to encounter hostility and rejection, even from those they love.

Jesus said, ⁴⁹“I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division!

⁵²From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³they will be divided:

father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain’; and so it happens. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat’; and it happens. ⁵⁶You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?”

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

Please be seated

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Althea Albright

SERMON

Rev. Althea Albright

Please stand as you are able

HYMN OF THE DAY *If God My Lord Be For Me* **ELW #788**

APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

Please be seated

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

by J. S. Bach

arr. by Smith and Husta

Stephen Gring piano

Please stand as you are able

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS *Create in Me a Clean Heart* WOV#732

OFFERING PRAYER

God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest.

As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field,
and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus.

Amen.

Please be seated

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Pastor: Trusting in God's extraordinary love...

Leader/Pastor: Arise, O God, you are... Merciful God,

***Response to each petition:* receive our prayer.**

Pastor: Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God...

***All respond:* Amen.**

THE LORD'S SUPPER

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW p. 206

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; 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 all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD

ELW p.207

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

**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.**

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

SENDING**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please stand as you are able

BLESSING

The God of peace, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you,
comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.
Amen.

SENDING

Lead On, O King Eternal

ELW #805

POSTLUDE

Allegro

by G. F. Handel

arr. by Homer Whitford

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love your neighbor. **Thanks be to God.**

DEDICATIONS

In loving memory of Kathy L. Krattenmaker

March 11, 1947-July 26, 2022

We find peace knowing she is with our Lord.

Events this Week

August 14, 2022-August 21, 2022

Sunday August 14, 2022

8:00 am Spoken Service
10:15 am Liturgical Worship Service
4:00 pm AA Group

Monday August 15, 2022

9:00 am-11:30 am Food Pantry
7:00 pm AA Meeting

Tuesday August 16, 2022

9:00 am-11:30 am Food Pantry
6:30 pm NA Meeting

Wednesday August 17, 2022

9:00 am-11:30 am Food Pantry
11:30 Bayside Duplicate Bridge
7:00 pm Support Team Meeting
7:00 pm NA Meeting

*Please remember there will no
Church Council or Financial Support
team meetings for the month
of August.*

Thursday August 18, 2022

9:00 am-11:30 am Food Pantry
5:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
6:00 pm AA Meeting 12 Steps

Friday August 19, 2022

10:30 am Grace Stitches
7:30 pm AA Meeting

Saturday August 20, 2022

No events today

Sunday August 21, 2022

8:00 am Spoken Service
10:15 am Liturgical Worship Service
4:00 pm AA Group

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-FRIDAY

**10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
(609)927-3082**

GRACE PLACE FOOD PANTRY

MONDAY-THURSDAY

**9:00 AM - 11:30 AM
(609)927-9982**