

# Grace Lutheran Church, School, ECC

Oak Creek, Wisconsin  
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*Celebrate  
Teach  
Share*

## The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

June 30<sup>th</sup> & July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

*"By His Grace you are saved through faith"*  
Ephesians 2:8



**Image:** “After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of Him, two by two, into every town and place where He Himself was about to go. And He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.” (Luke 10:1-2)

# Welcome to Grace! We're Glad You've Joined Us!

## WORSHIP NOTES FOR OUR GUESTS

Worship bulletins & worship activity bags (age 2-8) are available for your children to use during the service. Please see an usher if you need assistance finding them.

Children are **always** welcome - we don't want anything to keep families from attending! From time to time a child will naturally have a difficult moment in worship. If that happens and you feel a need to step out, please make use of our church narthex and entrance, so you may still be able to follow along in worship until your child is ready to return again!

If you would like to include a **prayer for someone** in our worship today, please add it to the **Prayer Request Sheet** found on the podium in the narthex.

**We're glad you're with us.** Please introduce yourself to Pastor Taggatz. If you are in search of a new church home, or are interested in learning more about Grace, we would be happy to visit with you. We hope you'll be back and give us an opportunity to know you!

### **As We Gather “*The Mission and Ministry of the Seventy*”**

When Jesus sent out His followers to proclaim the Word of His kingdom to all who would listen, He assured them: “*The one who hears you hears Me*” (Luke 10:16). Those who responded in faith knew that the kingdom of God had come near to them and that they had been made members of the household of God. Although this sending of the seventy took place some two thousand years ago, the same reality is ours today! Jesus continues to send out His workers in order that they may preach His Word, preside over His Meal, and welcome into the household of God all who trust in Him. We are listening to Jesus Himself as His kingdom comes near to us. What peace and joy can be ours when we trust that heaven's grace is ours to receive!

### **We invite a moment of silence during the prelude for Prayer**

As our organist begins the prelude we move from our regular conversations and the happenings of the world around us in order to turn our attention to worship. **Please take these moments as an opportunity to focus on prayer.** Make use of this time to look through our service in anticipation of the scripture we will share and the hymns we will sing. God richly bless us as we gather in God's presence today! We hope you will take these moments as a time to transition into worship as we have entered into God's presence through Word and Sacrament.

# Order of Service: *Divine Service Setting 4*, pg. 203

## ✠ PREPARATION ✠

### Opening Hymn 547

### The Lamb (vs. 1-5)



1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Fa - ther, where's the sac - ri - fice?  
2 The Lamb, the Lamb, One per - fect fi - nal of - fer - ing.  
3 The Lamb, the Lamb, As way - ward sheep their shep - herd kill  
4 He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretch - ed - ness.  
5 He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now o - ver - flows.



Faith sees, be - lieves God will pro - vide the Lamb of price!  
The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.  
So still, His will On our be - half the Law to fill.  
He lives, for - gives, He gives me His own righ - teous - ness.  
His song pro - long Till ev - 'ry heart to Him be - long.

#### *Refrain*



Wor - thy is the Lamb whose death makes me His



own! The Lamb is reign - ing on His throne!

#### *Stand*

### Confession and Absolution

LSB 203

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

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

C **Amen.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

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

C **Amen.**

*Stand*

## ✂ WORD ✂

**Introit** (*Psalm 19:2, 4-6; antiphon: v. 1, sung responsively*)



The heavens declare the glo- | ry of God,\*  
and the sky above proclaims his | handiwork.

**Day to day | pours out speech,\***  
**and night to night reveals | knowledge.**

Their measuring line goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end | of the world.\*

In them he has set a tent | for the sun,  
**which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his | chamber,\***  
**and, like a strong man, runs its | course with joy.**

Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the | end of them,\*  
and there is nothing hidden | from its heat.

**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.**

The heavens declare the glo- | ry of God,\*  
and the sky above proclaims his | handiwork.

**Kyrie**

*LSB 204*

**C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

**Gloria in Excelsis**

*LSB 204*

**C 1 To God on high be glory  
And peace to all the earth;  
Goodwill from God in heaven  
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father;  
Your holy name, we sing—  
Our thanks for Your great glory,  
Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**2 To You, O sole-begotten,  
The Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior,  
You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus;  
Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated  
At God's right hand on high—**

**3 For You alone are holy;  
You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever,  
Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit  
Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory.  
"Amen!" our glad reply.**

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

*LSB 205*

**P The Lord be with you.**

**C And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Almighty God, You have built Your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone. Continue to send Your messengers to preserve Your people in true peace that, by the preaching of Your Word, Your Church may be kept free from all harm and danger; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*Sit*

**Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 66:10-14***

***(The Lord will extend His peace, and your heart shall rejoice.)***

<sup>10</sup>“Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her; <sup>11</sup>that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance.” <sup>12</sup>For thus says the LORD: “Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip, and bounced upon her knees. <sup>13</sup>As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bones shall flourish like the grass; and the hand of the LORD shall be known to his servants, and he shall show his indignation against his enemies.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual (*Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b, alt., spoken responsively*)**

How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the | good news,\*  
**who publish peace and bring good news of sal- | vation.**

Their voice has gone out to | all the earth,\*  
**and their words to the ends | of the world.**

**Epistle Lesson *Galatians 6:1-10, 14-18***

***(Sharing peace, mercy, and all good things in the household of faith)***

<sup>1</sup>Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. <sup>2</sup>Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. <sup>3</sup>For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. <sup>4</sup>But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. <sup>5</sup>For each will have to bear his own load.

<sup>6</sup>One who is taught the word must share all good things with the one who teaches. <sup>7</sup>Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. <sup>8</sup>For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. <sup>9</sup>And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup>So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith. . . .

<sup>14</sup>But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. <sup>15</sup>For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. <sup>16</sup>And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

<sup>17</sup>From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. <sup>18</sup>The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

### **Alleluia and Verse**

*LSB 205*

- C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

### **Alleluia Verse for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

*“Alleluia. Peace be to this house! The kingdom of God has come near to you. Alleluia.” (Luke 10:5b, 9b)*

### **Holy Gospel Luke 10:1-20**

*(Jesus sends out His messengers of peace to proclaim the kingdom of God.)*

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

<sup>1</sup>After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. <sup>2</sup>And he said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup>Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup>Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. <sup>5</sup>Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace be to this house!’ <sup>6</sup>And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup>And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. <sup>8</sup>Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. <sup>9</sup>Heal the sick in it and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ <sup>10</sup>But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup>‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.’ <sup>12</sup>I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

<sup>13</sup>“Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. <sup>14</sup>But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. <sup>15</sup>And you,

Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades. <sup>16</sup>“The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me.”

<sup>17</sup>The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!” <sup>18</sup>And he said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. <sup>19</sup>Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. <sup>20</sup>Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

## Nicene Creed

*LSB 206*

C I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life T of the world to come. Amen.

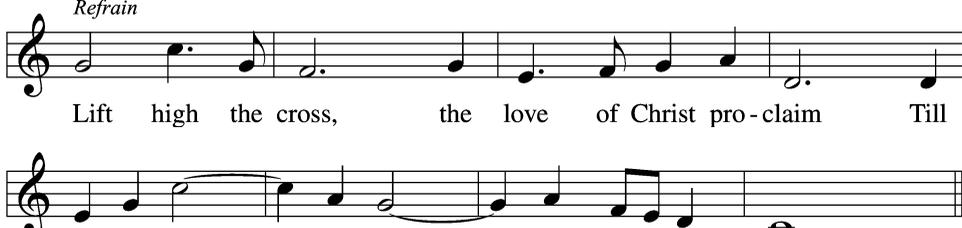
Sit

**Children’s Message “Super Power” (Luke 10:1-20)** The children of the congregation are invited to come up to the chancel area for a special message for them. Please note—parents of small children may also come up near the chancel area to accompany their children for the message)

**Sermon Hymn 837**

**Lift High the Cross (vs. 1-5)**

*Refrain*



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim Till  
all the world a - dore His sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris-tians, fol - low where our Cap - tain trod,  
2 Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,  
3 All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ci - fied  
4 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,  
5 Let ev - 'ry race and ev - 'ry lan - guage tell

*Refrain*



Our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.  
The hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com-bine.  
Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died.  
As Thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to Thee.  
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell.

**Sermon “Mission & Ministry Then & Now” (Luke 10:1-20)**

**Offering/Attendance** As the offerings are being passed to you by the ushers, we ask that you take this time to fill out the attendance pads located in your pews so that we can acknowledge your presence with us today. We are so glad that you have joined us in worship here at Grace!!! We also thank you for your generosity and support of Jesus Christ our Lord’s Kingdom work!!! God bless you!!!

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*Stand*

**Prayer of the Church** (*After each petition the Pastor will say, "Lord in Your mercy," and the congregation responds saying, "Hear our prayer."*)

## ✠ SACRAMENT ✠

### Preface

*LSB 208*

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 Him thanks and praise.**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus

*LSB 208*

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 209

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him. We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

## Lord's Prayer

LSB 209

C **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.**

## The Words of Our Lord

LSB 209

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Pax Domini

LSB 209

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
C **Amen.**

- C 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 You take the sin of the world away;  
 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
- 2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 You take the sin of the world away;  
 Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,  
 And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

*Sit*

### Distribution

#### We celebrate the Lord's Supper

Members of our sister LC-MS congregations are invited to join us for communion. Guests to our Lutheran Church are invited to first speak with Pastor before joining at our Lord's Table. We hope you will learn more about us as we gather to "*Celebrate, Teach, and Confess*" the Good News of God's Grace!

**COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION PRACTICE**—We are offering altar/rail communion as our communion practice. While you are at the altar, please let us know if you would like to receive the Common Cup. Individual communion cups are also available to you. You also have the option to kneel or remain standing during altar/rail communion. Gluten Free communion wafers are also available upon request.

#### Distribution Hymns:

#### 763 When Peace, like a River (vs. 1-4)



- 1 When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way; When  
 2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, Let  
 3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; My  
 4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The

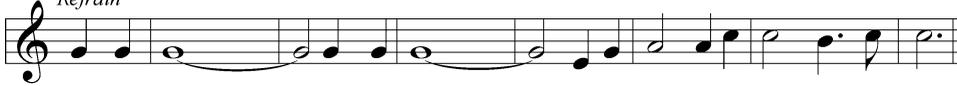


sor - rows, like sea bil - lows, roll; What - ev - er my lot, Thou hast  
 this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, That Christ hath re - gard - ed my  
 sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to His cross, and I  
 clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trum - pet shall sound and the



taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.  
 help - less es - tate And hath shed His own blood for my soul.  
 bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
 Lord shall de-scend; E - ven so it is well with my soul.

*Refrain*



It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

**425 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (vs. 1-4)**



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross On which the  
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the  
 3 See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sor - row and  
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, That were a



Prince of Glo - ry died, My rich - est gain I  
 death of Christ, my God; All the vain things that  
 love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and  
 trib - ute far too small; Love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.  
 sor - row meet Or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?  
 so di - vine, De - mands my soul, my life, my all!

*Stand*

**Nunc Dimittis**

*LSB 211*

C 1 O Lord, now let Your servant  
 Depart in heav'nly peace,  
 For I have seen the glory  
 Of Your redeeming grace:  
 A light to lead the Gentiles  
 Unto Your holy hill,

The glory of Your people,  
Your chosen Israel.

2 All glory to the Father,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit,  
Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning,  
Is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding  
Through all eternity.

**Post-Communion Collect**

*LSB 212*

- A Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C **Amen.**

**Benedicamus**

*LSB 212*

- A Let us bless the Lord.
- C **Thanks be to God.**

**Benediction**

*LSB 212*

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.
- C **Amen.**

**Closing Hymn 966**

**Before You, Lord, We Bow (vs. 1-2, 5)**



1 Be - fore You, Lord, we bow, Our God who reigns a - bove  
2 The na - tion You have blest May well Your love de - clare,  
5 And when in pow'r He comes, Oh, may our na - tive land



And rules the world be - low, Bound-less in pow'r and love. Our thanks  
From foes and fears at rest, Pro - tect - ed by Your care. For this  
From all its rend - ing tombs Send forth a glo - rious band, A count -



we bring In joy and praise, Our hearts we raise To You, our King!  
 bright day, For this fair land—Gifts of Your hand—Our thanks we pay.  
 less throng, With joy to sing To heav'n's high King Sal - va - tion's song!

**Announcements**

P: Go in Peace and Serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!



**✿Altar Flowers✿**

Altar flowers this week are given by Ron & Mary Savarino  
 in celebration of their 54<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary!  
 Continued blessings to you both!

**Assisting with the Divine Service**

We thank God for all those individuals who have been involved in supporting our worship services this week. If you are interested in assisting in any of the ways shown below, please speak with pastor or one of our elders.

	<u>Thursday 6:30pm</u>	<u>Sunday 9:00am</u>
<u>Elders</u>	Greg Nowakowski	Brandon Dachel
<u>Readers</u>	Pastor Taggatz	Glenn Dotson
<u>Communion Set-up</u>	Janine T.	Janine & Marlene
<u>Linens</u>	Donna Dotson	Donna Dotson
<u>Ushers</u>	Jim Robinson	Rick Weeks, Cathy Weeks, Amelia Poellet, Dachs Poellet

## WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

*For all who worship this day, bless us through your Word, O Lord.* Karen (healing & strength) sister-in-law of Janine Pieper; **Terri Meyer** (cancer); **Pastor Bill Wurm**, Pastor Taggatz's father-in-law; **Tom Janes** (healing & strength) Diane Pielsnik's brother; **Larry Abelt Sr.** (healing & strength) Leah Abelt's Father-in-Law; **Andie** (cancer) friend of Joy Lussier. **Tim** (healing) Donna Dotson's brother; **Renee Lutzke** (healing); **Myles King** (blood disorder) son of Matthew & Meredith King; **James Giambi** (healing) Donna Dotson's Sister in Law's Nephew; **Cindy Riemer** (cancer); **Michael Helzer** (cancer) friend of Michael Parker; **Michael Parker** (healing & strength) Pauline Parker's son; **Jim & Kari** (healing and strength) friends of Joy Lussier; **Rena Pett** (healing & strength) Mitzi Gamroth's Mother; **Susan Sochowski** (recovery from stroke) friend of Taggatz family; **Jane** (cancer) friend of Tony & Suzie Mirenda; **Doreen** (cancer) daughter of Bob & Dawn Jantz; **Maureen** (healing & strength) friend of Carol Thurber; **Doug Klipfel** (healing and strength); **Dan** (healing & strength) son of Alberta Loomis; **Pastor Dummer** (cornea transplant); **Rose Adams** (healing & strength); **Gail Nowakowski** (healing & strength); **Glen Peronto** (back surgery) friend of Cris Evers; **Greg Voss** (healing & strength); **Danielle**, student of Lisa Kamprath; **Deb** (healing for her knee) friend of Marlene Voss; **Pam Umaski** (healing & renewed strength after her kidney transplant); **Curt Bayer** (cancer) former member of Grace; **Ron** (healing) neighbor of Marlene Voss; **Sindy Schmidt** (healing); **Randy** (healing) brother of Lori Kachelmeier; **Bob Morgan** (healing & strength).

**For our Homebound Members at Grace:** Carol Loveall, Betty Lemmer, Kathy Gaudian, Bernice Byklum, June Roewer, Art Steinborn, Ernst & Patricia Groth, and Gloria Kilponen.

**Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow!!!** Heavenly Father, we thank You for hearing and answering the prayers of **David & Amy Pankow**. **Amy is our 4K Teacher here at Grace**, by granting them the gift of a child, little **Violet Jade Pankow**. We thank you for the life of little **Violet** entrusted to **David & Amy's** care. Bring her to the saving waters of Holy Baptism, and grant her that precious inheritance awaiting her in Your eternal kingdom. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

**A Prayer for those attending the LCMS National Youth Gathering-**Dear Heavenly Father, we pray for our Youth Leaders and our Youth here at Grace Oak Creek, who will be attending the LCMS National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX July 9-13. We pray especially for *Madilyn, Maddie, Evie, Payton, Dachs, Mia, Leksie, Jennifer, Derek & Russell*. We pray for safety in their travels to and from the Youth Gathering. We ask that the Holy Spirit would work mightily in them and in those with them so that they may see how Christ works *In All Things*, how He is over all things, who created all things, and who holds all things together. We as the congregation here at Grace Oak Creek, promise to pray for our Youth and their Leaders as they go to the Youth Gathering, that their faith would be strengthened through this time that they will have together, in the Word of God, in worship, and in servant events with their fellow brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ. May they go to the Youth Gathering in the freedom and forgiveness that Jesus provides, established in Him and by His will, and remain unmoved in the hope of the Gospel. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

**Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Supreme Court Overturning of Roe v. Wade:**

Almighty Father, Creator and Redeemer of life in the world and in eternity, we praise you for the treasure that is life from conception in the womb to the moment we take our final breath. Guide and guard us in our stewardship, not only of our lives, but the lives of our neighbors. In light of the Supreme Court’s ruling, lead us to be modest and yet bold as we continue our defense of life from womb to the tomb so that every life may know and love the Giver of Life, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Embolden us to take up the cause of the expectant mothers, babies in the womb, and the orphaned in need of homes. Keep us from empty rhetoric and rancor. Defend us from violence and evil. Cause us to open our hearts and our lives so that we might embody the way that You have opened Your heart to us in the death and resurrection of Jesus so that we might have a name, a place and an inheritance in this world and in eternity. Grant us grace to speak lovingly but truthfully to those who are not in agreement with this decision and Your Word of Life so that they might be led to repentance and life. Glorify Your name in all of this, even as You have glorified Your name in Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

*All those on the Grace Prayer Line dealing with long term health and medical issue; Hear our prayer.*

We encourage you to submit prayer requests for worship and/or our prayer line by emailing: [Paulinemom@aol.com](mailto:Paulinemom@aol.com). **If you do not have access to a computer you may call:**

Prayers for worship:		Church Office	414-762-8990
Requests on prayer line:	10am-3 pm	Carol Thurber	414-762-9615
	3pm-9 pm	Pauline Parker	414-764-5574

**Pastor Taggatz’s Vacation** - Pastor Taggatz will be on vacation July 4-17. While he is on vacation Pastor Doug Schroeder from Our Shepherd Lutheran Church in Greendale will be taking his pastoral calls. Pastor Schroeder can be reached at: 414-840-6016 or 414-421-2060 or [canus4ever@gmail.com](mailto:canus4ever@gmail.com). Pastor Jim Klug will be leading worship the week of July 7<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> and Pastor Roland Buuck will be leading worship the week of July 14<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Giving Tree in our Church Sanctuary**—Please consider making a donation to our Grace Lutheran Ministries to help us to continue the mission work of our Church, School, and Early Childhood Center. The needs of our ministries are on the *Giving Tree* for you to take a look at. This year we are offering special gifts of puzzles, devotional literature, and other gift items that we would like to give to our homebound members. We are also looking to raise money for building improvements to our Early Childhood Center. Thank you for your ongoing support of the ministries here at Grace!!!

**Clays for Kids!!! Presented by the Milwaukee Lutheran High School Association Red Knight Trap Shooting Team** (our own Eddie Taggatz is currently on this team!!!) **When:** Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup>. **Registration:** at 9:00am. Shooting 10am. **Location:** Waukesha Gun Club: N22W23170 Watertown Road Waukesha, WI. **Proceeds benefit:** Need based scholarships for students. **For Details and Sign Up Go To:** [lhsagm.ejoinme.org/claysforkids22](https://lhsagm.ejoinme.org/claysforkids22) or call: 414-421-9100. **What's included:** Scored Rounds, Shells for all shoots, event t-shirts, awards for sporting clay events—best 3 men and women scores in divisions, awards for 1<sup>st</sup> time shorts, CEO shoot along on one station of sporting clays.

**ABOUT FOOD FOR THE POOR**—Please join us the weekend of July 14<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 to hear The Rev. Roland John Buuck speak at all our worship services about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. Please take a moment to visit us on the web at: <http://www.foodforthe poor.org/churchalliances>. Pastor Buuck will share personal witness about Food For The Poor's mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another. Pastor Buuck was ordained in the Florida-Georgia District of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod in 1990. Before preaching for Food For The Poor on behalf of the poor he was President of Concordia University in Wisconsin.

### **SAVE THE DATE for Grace Vacation Bible School!**

***Grace Lutheran Church, School and Early Childhood Center Announces:***

We will be blasting off to "***Shine Like Jesus***" this summer at Vacation Bible School.

**Where:** Grace Lutheran School located 8537 S. Pennsylvania Ave.

**When:** Friday, July 22, 2022, beginning with pizza supper at 5:30 PM. Program starts at 6:00 PM and ends at 8:30 PM.

**Who:** All children ages 3 - entering Grade 6 are welcome to join us. We will also have a special class for the little ones under 3 years.

**Is there a cost???:** This event is completely FREE for your children to attend.

**Something special:** After VBS (around 8:30 PM) and weather permitting we will have an outside fire, smores and a sing along. All congregation members, friends and community members are welcome to join us. Don't forget your lawn chairs.

**To register go to this link:** [tinyurl.com/gracevbs2022](https://tinyurl.com/gracevbs2022)

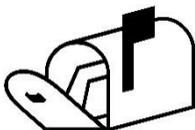
### **“God Connects” Grace Lutheran New Members Class – July 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm**

Is there someone at work, in your neighborhood, or at your dinner table who is not a member of a Christian church and is weighing heavily on your heart? Invite or refer a friend to our adult membership class! Feel free to talk to Pastor Taggatz if you would like ideas on how to craft your invitation. *GodConnects* is a video series explaining the Christian faith in a way that makes it easy to invite a friend, family member, or church visitor. Plain language and helpful illustrations present God’s work of salvation in a concise manner. This series is ideal for those with questions about sin, judgment, redemption, Jesus, the believer’s life, and more. *GodConnects*—an excellent resource for amplifying and sharing key concepts of the Christian faith using Martin Luther’s Small Catechism. Who has God put in *your* life that needs to hear His message? Whether you have questions about Christ or want to deepen your faith in Him, this class will explore what the Bible says about our God, and how His love gives direction and meaning to your life today and forever. This class is designed for those who are interested in learning or reviewing the foundations of the Christian faith. Attendance at the class may lead to membership in our church, but there are no obligations. Let us know if you might need child-care. Watch an introductory video at: [www.lhm.org/GodConnects](http://www.lhm.org/GodConnects).

### **Grief Share Group starting in August at Grace Lutheran School**

No matter what the circumstances, grief recovery is a painful process. Have you or someone you know experienced the death of a loved one recently? In August we are starting a special seminar and support group that we sponsor for people dealing with the loss of a family member here at Grace Lutheran Church Oak Creek. We understand how deeply grief and loss hurt people and families, and we simply wanted you to know about our Grief Share group. It’s a place where many people have found they can begin putting their lives back together again with the Lord’s help and with the love and encouragement of His Church.

Our Grief Share grief recovery seminar and support group will meet on Monday evenings at Grace Lutheran School starting August 15<sup>th</sup>-November 14<sup>th</sup> (excluding Labor Day) from 6:30-8:00pm in the School Library. The cost for attending is \$20.00. Grace Lutheran School is located at: 8537 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Oak Creek. Lori Kachelmeier and Jeanne Meyer will be the leaders for this Grief Share Group. Grief Share features nationally recognized experts on grief recovery topics. Seminar sessions include “*Is This Normal?*” “*The Challenges of Grief,*” “*Grief and Your Relationships,*” “*Why?*” and “*Guilt and Anger.*” For more information or to sign up, call our Church office at 414-762-8990 or email us at: [church@graceoakcreek.org](mailto:church@graceoakcreek.org).



**Church Mailbox??** We are asking our congregation members to let us know if they would like a church mailbox. Please sign the sheet in the narthex if you would like a church mailbox or email our church office at: [church@graceoakcreek.org](mailto:church@graceoakcreek.org) no later than July 1<sup>st</sup>. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

**Walk in the Footsteps of St. Paul!**—Pastor Koch from Mt. Zion Lutheran Church is leading a tour to Greece next June to visit several places where the Apostle Paul traveled on his missionary journeys, including Athens, Corinth, Philippi, Thessalonica, and Ephesus (Turkey). The trip will also include a four-day voyage to several Greek islands including Crete (where Titus was pastor and Bishop) and Patmos (where St. John received the book of Revelation). For more information on this trip for yourself or others who might be interested, please pick up a brochure in the narthex. You can also receive a digital pdf copy of the brochure by contacting Pastor Koch at [pastor.koch@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.koch@gmail.com).

**\*\*\*\*PLEASE PICK UP AN UPDATED CHURCH DIRECTORY IN THE NARTHEX!\*\*\*\***

**LUTHERAN HOUR - "Play the Sunset"** Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. We can't negotiate our value with God; however, God regards us as infinitely valuable. (Ecclesiastes 2:25) **The Lutheran Hour can be heard any time on the internet at: [lhm.org](http://lhm.org)** scroll down the page and click on, "listen now." Or listen to any of these local radio stations on Sunday mornings.

WTMJ	Milwaukee, WI	103.3	FM	Sun	6:30 AM
WTMJ	Milwaukee, WI	620	AM	Sun	5:30 AM
WTMJ	Milwaukee, WI	620	AM	Sun	6:30 AM

### IN THE WORD FOR THE 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**Catechism:** The Lord's Prayer—Third Petition and Explanations

**Verse of the week:** Luke 15:7b, *"There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance."*

**Psalm of the week:** Psalm 55

**Hymn of the week:** (LSB 611) "Chief of Sinners Though I Be"

**Bible Readings for the Week:**

**Sunday**— The Parable of the Prodigal Son—Luke 15:11-32

**Monday**— The Lord's Prayer & the Parable of the Friend at Midnight—Lk. 11:1-13

**Tuesday**— A House Divided Cannot Stand—Luke 11:14-36

**Wednesday**— The Dinner at a Pharisee's House—Luke 11:37-54

**Thursday**— Confessing Christ—Luke 12:1-12

**Friday**—The Parable of the Rich Fool—Luke 12:13-34

**Saturday**—Genesis 50:15-21

“Neither America, nor democracy, nor capitalism, nor socialism, nor military might, nor diplomacy can even come close to beginning to solve the problems that exist in this world. Even in America, without Christ, we are without hope. And really, what a wonderful message of joy that is. It is not man that will change the world, but Christ alone, for in the end, the world cannot be changed; it is fully and completely at enmity with God.” *Daily Devotion, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Sister Lakes, Michigan - A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*  
Hurting from abortion? Word of Hope can help. [www.word-of-hope.org](http://www.word-of-hope.org); 888-217-8679.

**Stewardship Minute-** July 4<sup>th</sup> is a special time of the year when we express our gratitude for the privilege that we have to live in this great country. We recognize that our freedom has been won at great cost. Much blood was shed and many lives lost, and, at this time of year, we take time to honor those who fought to liberate us. Our spiritual freedom, too, was won at great cost. We were slaves to the Law which we could never fulfill, but Christ satisfied its requirements for us. He shed His blood and gave His life to pay the penalty for the sin we incurred. Let us honor Him as we express our gratitude by sharing with others the message of our freedom in Christ.

**WE ARE SO BLESSED THAT WE LIVE IN A COUNTRY THAT  
ALLOWS US TO SAY, “ONE NATION UNDER GOD,  
INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.”**

“I urge...that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for...all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness” (1 Timothy 2:1-2).



## Growing In Grace June 23<sup>rd</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022

### Offering

General Offering	\$1,538.25	<b>Attendance</b>	99
On-Line Giving	\$1,101.86	<b>Communed</b>	87
Missions	\$0.00		
Debt Fund	\$105.00		
Mortgage Offering	\$0.00		
Lutheran High	\$0.00		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,745.11</b>		

## OPPORTUNITIES AT GRACE THIS WEEK

Sunday	7/3	9:00 am	Divine Worship
Tuesday	7/5	7:00 am	Men's Bible Study & Breakfast @ OC Diner
		6:30 pm	Stephen Ministry Meeting
Thursday	7/7	6:30 pm	Divine Worship
Sunday	7/10	9:00 am	Divine Worship

## SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

We have gathered today to celebrate the most precious gifts and treasures our Lord gives us: His forgiveness, life and salvation. It would be our honor to have you join us again next week as we “Celebrate, Teach, and Share” the Good News of God’s Grace among all people.

Grace is committed to supporting families through our Early Childhood Center, Day School, and High School. We are blessed to be a member of the Lutheran High School Association of Milwaukee.

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