

# PRAYER SERVICE FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2021

## TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

God loves you all the time  
**And all the time God loves you.**

*Please stand as you are able.*



### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father,  
and of the ✠ Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Have mercy on us, O God.

**We confess that we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbor.**

**We have built walls instead of tables  
and have turned away the stranger.**

**We have sought glory for ourselves  
and have treasured that which does not satisfy.**

**Help us to love as you love,  
to welcome those you send,  
and to treasure mercy and justice.**

**Turn us from our ways to your ways,  
and free us to serve those in need. Amen.**

God, who makes all things new,  
forgives your sins for ✠ Jesus' sake  
and remembers them no more.

Lift up your heads and your hearts.  
Yours is the kingdom of God.

**Amen.**



1 O God of bless - ings, all praise to you! Your love sur -  
 2 All praise for proph - ets, through grace in - spired to preach and  
 3 All praise for mu - sic, deep gift pro - found, through hands and  
 4 All praise for Je - sus, best gift di - vine through word and  
 5 A bil - lion voic - es in one great song, now soft and



rounds us our whole life through. You are the  
 wit - ness with hearts on fire. Your Spir - it  
 voic - es in ho - ly sound; the psalms of  
 wit - ness, in bread and wine; in - car - nate  
 gen - tle, now deep and strong, in ev - 'ry



free - dom of those op - pressed; you are the com - fort of all dis -  
 choos - es the weak and small to sing the new reign where might - y  
 Da - vid, and Mar - y's praise, in word - less splen - dor and lyr - ic  
 love song of bound - less grace, priest, teach - er, proph - et in time and  
 cul - ture and style and key, from hill and val - ley, with sky and



tressed. Come now, O ho - ly and wel - come guest:  
 fall; with them may we live your gos - pel call:  
 phrase, with all cre - a - tion one song we raise:  
 space, your stead - fast kind - ness with hu - man face:  
 sea, with Christ we praise you e - ter - nal - ly:



So - li De - o glo - ri - a! So - li De - o glo - ri - a!

## 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.**

## OPENING DIALOGUE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy**

For the peace from above,  
and for our salvation,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy**

For the peace of the whole world,  
for the well-being of the Church of God,  
and for the unity of all,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy**

For this holy house,  
and for all who offer here their worship and praise,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**Amen,**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## FIRST LESSON: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

<sup>6</sup>Seek the LORD and live,  
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,  
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

<sup>7</sup>Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,  
and bring righteousness to the ground!

<sup>10</sup>They hate the one who reproves in the gate,  
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

<sup>11</sup>Therefore because you trample on the poor  
and take from them levies of grain,  
you have built houses of hewn stone,  
but you shall not live in them;  
you have planted pleasant vineyards,  
but you shall not drink their wine.

<sup>12</sup>For I know how many are your transgressions,  
and how great are your sins—  
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,  
and push aside the needy in the gate.

<sup>13</sup>Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;  
for it is an evil time.

<sup>14</sup>Seek good and not evil,  
that you may live;  
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,  
just as you have said.

<sup>15</sup>Hate evil and love good,  
and establish justice in the gate;  
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,  
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 90:12-17

- <sup>12</sup>So teach us to number our days  
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.
- <sup>13</sup>**Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry?**  
**Be gracious to your servants.**
- <sup>14</sup>Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning;  
so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.
- <sup>15</sup>**Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us**  
**and as many years as we suffered adversity.**
- <sup>16</sup>Show your servants your works,  
and your splendor to their children.
- <sup>17</sup>**May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us;**  
**prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.**

## SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 4:12-16

<sup>12</sup>Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

<sup>14</sup>Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Please stand as you are able.*



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 10:17-31

The Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>17</sup>As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.' " <sup>20</sup>He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

<sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossi-

ble, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

<sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

## **CHILDRENS MESSAGE**

**MESSAGE**

**Pastor Tara Magoon**

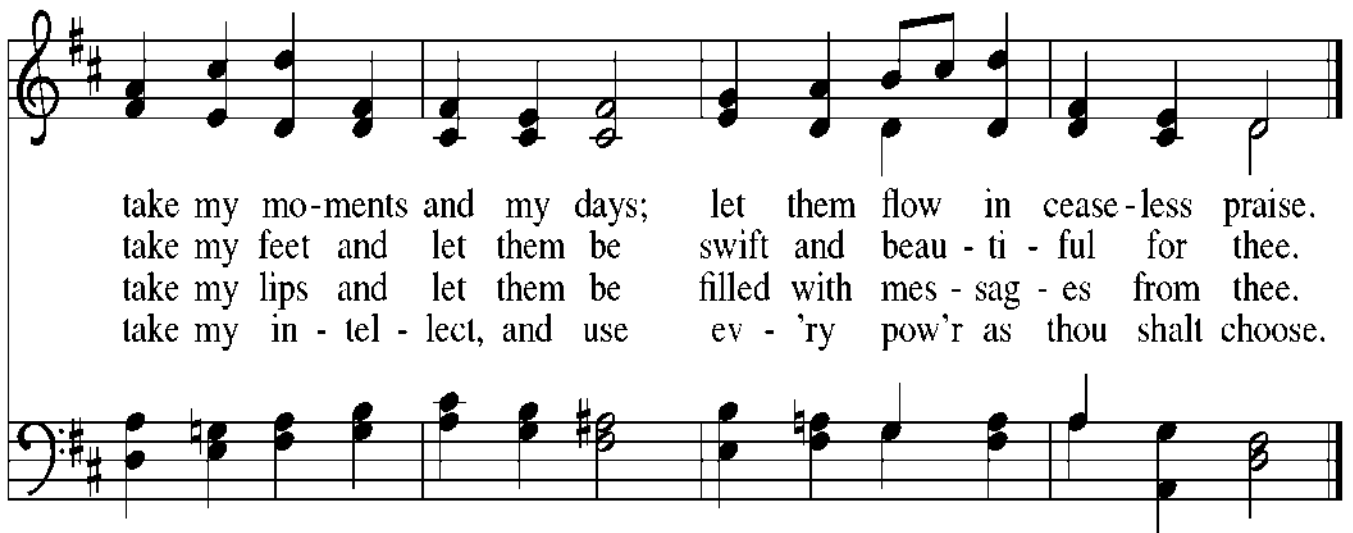
**PEACE**

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*Please stand on last verse*


1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;  
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;  
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;  
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.  
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.  
 take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;  
 it shall be no longer mine.  
 Take my heart, it is thine own;  
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
 at thy feet its treasure store;  
 take myself, and I will be  
 ever, only, all for thee.



## **APOSTLES' CREED**

Let us profess our faith with the words of the 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 Holy Spirit**

**born of the virgin Mary,**

**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,**

**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**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

Uniting God, you call forth different gifts in those who follow you. Encourage us to welcome the diverse benefits and blessings of the whole church in teaching, preaching, prophecy, healing, and more. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Nurturing God, you bring forth crops from the soil and bounty from the trees. Increase the produce of the land and bless all who toil in fields and orchards. Provide for good working conditions and keep them safe. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Empowering God, you offer compassion for those who are overlooked or forgotten. Open the hearts of local, national, and world leaders to show such compassion and love for their neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Sheltering God, in Jesus you travelled among us without a place to lay your head. Provide safe places to sleep and rest for those who have no place to live. Sustain ministries that offer food, clothing, and peace of mind (*local ministries may be named*). Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Renewing God, you bring life out of death. Help us part with those things that are no longer beneficial to us and open our hearts to see where new life is budding in this congregation. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Eternal God, we thank you for the lives of those who have died (*especially*). Make us confident in your promise of salvation and support us in our own journey of faith. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of abundance,  
you cause streams to break forth in the desert  
and manna to rain from the heavens.

Accept the gifts you have first given us.  
Unite them with the offering of our lives  
to nourish the world you love so dearly;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## DIALOGUE

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 God thanks and praise**

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.

In 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.

With this bread and cup  
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who hunger and thirst, come.  
The table is ready.

*(please be seated)*

## COMMUNION

*Communion will be received at the head of the Sanctuary. Starting with the section closest to the sound room and worshippers may make their way to Pastor at the head of the Sanctuary and receive the communion elements.*

*Elements at in-person worship are wine and juice made with grapes.  
Please let Pastor know if you require gluten-free bread.*

***After the elements have been consumed, please replace your face mask.***

## COMMUNION BLESSING

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

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Lord of life,  
in the gift of your body and blood  
you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation.  
Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy,  
bearing witness to the abundance of your love  
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

People of God,  
you are Christ's body,  
bringing new life to a suffering world.  
The holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Refrain*

Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry;  
 blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.  
 Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;  
 send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the  
 2 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our fac - es dis -

dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the world, shine up - on us,  
 play your like - ness, ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,

set us free by the truth you now bring us.  
 mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.

*Refrain*

Shine on on me, shine on on me:  
 Shine on on me, shine on on me:

## SENDING

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.  
 Thanks be to God.

## **Prayers for Week of October 10**

**TODAY we pray for:**

Juergen, Ursula, Frank

Jim Dadey

For the Magoon family as they mourn the passing of Doris Forshey

Barbara, Mark, Carson, Paul

Julia Knight

Ed and Erika Burke

Cleo Loftsgordon

Chuck Loomis

Seth Weaver

### **WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:**

Angie Wasgatt and family, Ron Walker, Will & Muretta; Gretchen; Linda & Bill; Paul & Judy Freys; Gabby Schiavone; Jenny; Claire; Ed Nagy; Debbie, Ben, Nancy Miller; Phil & Marilee Calabrese; Mike Goyda; Brian; Allen Whitley; Roger Camp; August; Bob & Louise Ench; Vera Wagenfuhr; Pat Kizuka; Polly Gillis; Kathy Long; Gener Ernst; Scott; Barbara Lynn Grabher; Kyle; Bill Smith; Lena; Leslie, Jack Baskow; Claudia and Geof Bromfield, Scott & Lia Wycoff; John Worrell; Lis Verbeck; Lois Snyder; John Deaton; Joan Sandstorm; Delores Sipe; Doug Price; Bob Waller; Kent Hardel; Gretchen Platz; Ellen Hall; Nanci Hunsinger, Claire Schoening; Tyler, Bill Howerin; Marcia Burton; Gina Clay

For our bishops; Elizabeth Eaton, Bill Gohl

For the Dean of the Delmarva Conference; Pastor Paige Evers

For our staff; Pastor Tara Magoon, Susan Wells Allen, Jordan Irazabal, Louis Jones

For leaders & congregations of the Delmarva Conference

For all pastors and church leaders

For our country; the United States, leaders and citizens.

**To request a prayer, or update prayers, please call the church office (302-239-6481)  
or email [office@glcde.org](mailto:office@glcde.org).**



**TODAY**



**Education for all ages at 9:45am!**

### **Adult Education**

#### **Racial Justice Bible Study Through October 17**

Please join us during the Grace Hour for series of videos and dialogue around racial justice. The videos were prepared by our Synod's Racial Justice Team and are well done and very thought provoking as we begin to understand our role as Lutheran Christians in understanding racial justice and how we best respond. The class will be led by Nancy Goyda, Bill Brizendine and John Auger. We look forward to seeing you and beginning the dialogue on this critical topic.

Beginning October 24, look for current Studies and Discussion with videos (Nooma) at 9:45 in the Fellowship Hall.



***Please remember to wear your mask indoors.***

#### **Grace Lutheran Church**

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Rev. Tara Magoon, Pastor  
Jordan Irazabal, director of music  
Susan Wells Allen, office manager  
Louis Jones, custodian

#### **8:30AM**

**Assisting Minister:** Nancy Goyda  
**Greeter:** Jane Foskett  
**Usher:** Jim Foskett  
**Reader:** Bill Brizendine  
**Nursery:** Audrey Day, John Day  
**Sound:** Gerry Teig

#### **11:00AM**

**Assisting Minister:** Toni Durandetta  
**Greeter:** Jay Snyder  
**Usher:** Tim Dambaugh  
**Reader:** Karen Baumbach  
**Sound:** Mark Maurer  
**Counters:** Jim Foskett, Tim Dambaugh



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 10, 2021**

### **REMiNDER! Please wear your mask in the building.**

All are reminded to maintain at least 3-feet social distancing during the service and while entering and exiting. Please use outdoor spaces for much needed catch-up and conversation before and after services.

Thank you for your consideration of the safety of all who come to Grace for worship and fellowship. The Gathering Task Force will continue to monitor the COVID-19 pandemic in our community and make further recommendations to Grace Council and appropriate Ministry Teams.

### **EDUCATION NEWS**

Our in person Sunday school is being well attended. In PK through high school there are 33 kids on our roster. In the 4 weeks since Sunday school started September 12, of those 33 all but 6 have attended at least once, and most, 2 or more. In addition to classroom learning, Lynne Luetggen is leading music in the sanctuary for Kindergartners - 5th graders and then for the preschoolers.

The Synod retreat Free Ride for youth in confirmation will be held October 22-24. Grace has 3 confirmands (Aman Yelampalli, Tanner Ehemann, Autumn Piazza), 2 chaperones (Karen Ehemann, Greg Munson) and 4 LYOers (Lutheran Youth Organization-David Magoon, Ella Taylor, Hope Munson, Kairi Kettner) attending.



### **Providing For Family Promise**

Grace will be providing dinners and snacks for the families in Cottage One at the Jesus House beginning Sunday, October 24th thru Saturday, October 30th. Anyone who would like to furnish dinners please give me a call at 610-274-2135 or email me at [rbhowle@comcast.net](mailto:rbhowle@comcast.net).

The number of family members at this time is eight.  
Please remember this can change  
between now and the time of our week.  
Financial donations towards the purchase of breakfast items,  
snacks or diapers are always welcome! Mary Howle



### **Fall FISH Coat Drive**

Start checking your closets and save those gently used winter coats (all sizes) that you no longer need FISH at Lutheran Campus Ministry is planning to have their annual coat and sweatshirt collection starting in November. Bring your coats, jackets and sweatshirts for donation to the coat closet just off the church narthex at Grace. Look for the collection signs.

## Setting Goals and Objectives at Hilltop

A month into the new school year and educational activities are back up to speed at the Hilltop Lutheran Neighborhood Center in Wilmington. No where is this more evident than in the Center's after school program known as "Latchkey."



Center Youth Services Coordinator, Teresa Allen says Latchkey "extends the school day learning through clubs, academic learning centers, and enrichment activities." Those learning centers focus on "math, literacy and science/STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math)." "Art, technology and social emotional/cultural activities" will also be emphasized throughout the school year.

Teresa points out that "each month will include a main theme with connected sub-themes." In addition, "there will be objectives associated with each month's theme."

Those objectives include and require that each student "participant will be able to:

- Understand and follow the program schedule and articulate program expectations
- Understand the 4 to score behavior matrix
- Build relationships with group members
- Understand the composition of the community in which they are a member
- Understand and articulate the program reward system and earn 'Latchkey bucks' for hilltop store."

With the beginning of the school year comes an emphasis, not only on learning, but on good health. This seems especially appropriate since health issues are on everybody's mind these days. Center Deputy Director, Brandon Furrowh says Hilltop began offering "Community Wellness Advocates (CWAs)" in September and will offer at least 3 more. "The CWAs have been identified and preliminary assessments have been conducted to determine which program will work best for each individual to connected with."



This final piece of information comes more as a public service announcement. Back in August, while shopping for the Center's summer barbecue, a Center employee noted that "the catalytic converters were stolen from both (Center) vans." Center Executive Director, Michelle Williams says "Wilmington Police came and did the report and escalated the theft to the detective unit because they said it is a problem statewide." This is indeed becoming a growing statewide issue, not just something going on in "big cities." The catalytic converter on this reporter's vehicle was stolen from inside a gated storage area in Cheswold, DE, also in August. According to police, the thieves sell the converters for their metals, the money from which is used to feed drug habits.

*Eric F. Mease*

*Member, Board of Directors, Hilltop Lutheran Neighborhood Center*