SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 2022 TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- P God loves you all the time
- C And all the time God loves you.

Please stand as you are able

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence is kept for reflection.
- P Merciful God,
- C 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.
- P 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.
- C Amen.





^{*} May be sung in canon.

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.

KYRIE

- A This is the day that the Lord has made.
- C We will rejoice and be glad in it!
- A The Lord is my strength and my song.
- C The Lord has become my salvation.
- A Open to me the gates of righteousness;
- C I will go through them and praise the Lord.
- A I shall not die but live,
- C And declare the works of the Lord.
- A This is the day that the Lord has made;
- C I will rejoice and be glad in it!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

Please be seated

FIRST LESSON: Proverbs 25:6-7

⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great; ⁷for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

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

PSALM 112

Read responsively

¹Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord and have great delight in God's commandments!

²Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

³Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last forever.

⁴Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.

⁵It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

⁶For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.

⁷They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

⁸Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.

⁹They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.

¹⁰The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

¹Let mutual love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. ⁴Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." ⁶So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

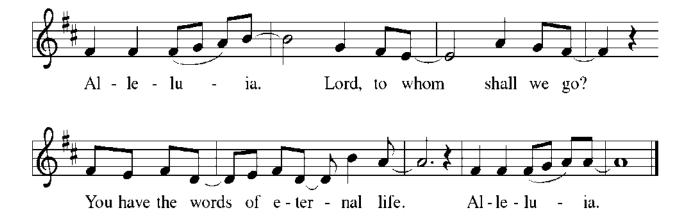
⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ¹⁵Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Luke 14:1, 7-14

The Gospel according to Saint Luke the fourteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. ⁸"When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

¹²He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

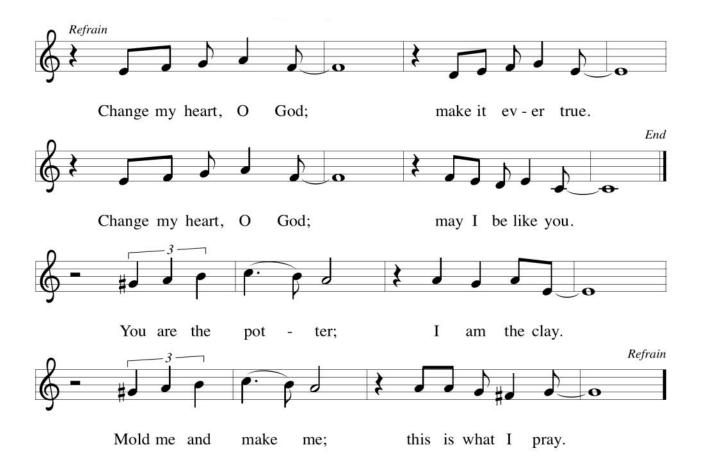
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE Pastor Tara Magoon

PEACE

- P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Please stand at the last verse.



APOSTLES' CREED

A 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

A Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

A brief silence.

For the church and its leaders, we pray. Uphold all deacons, pastors, and bishops who serve and teach your people (*national*, *synodical*, *and local leaders may be named*). Awaken in your church a spirit of invitation that reaches ever outward. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

For the well-being of creation and its inhabitants, we pray. Stir in us reverent awe for the beauty of the natural world, for oceans and lakes, rivers and streams, forests and deserts (*local places may be named*). Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

For the nations and peoples of the world, we pray. Sustain the efforts of those who pursue justice and equity for all. Defend and accompany all immigrants and refugees and all who are persecuted for their ethnic origin or religious beliefs. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, we pray. Be present with those who live in isolation or fear, especially those who are incarcerated or detained. Comfort all who are sick or grieving (*especially*). Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

For this congregation and its ministries, we pray. Prepare children, teachers, and youth ministry directors for a new year of learning. Embolden our witness to invite others to the table. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

For all the saints who confessed God's name (*especially Augustine, Bishop of Hippo, and Moses the Black*), we give thanks. May we cling to the promise of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A 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.
- C Amen.

Thank you so much for your support of Grace ministry through your worship. If you wish to make a donation to Grace, you can follow this link www.glcde.org or scan the QR code to make a donation on our website through the "GIVE" button in the upper right corner. You can also make a donation by placing your gift in our offering plates located inside both sanctuary doors.



THE 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 our thanks and praise.
- P 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

P In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.

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 leaders 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 leaders know if you require gluten-free bread.

COMMUNION HYMN

Now the Silence ELW 460



COMMUNION HYMN

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore ELW 817



COMMUNION HYMN

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound ELW 779



COMMUNION BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P 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.

C Amen.

BLESSING

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



DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. Love your neighbor.
- C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 31

do not let me ever be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me. ²Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily. Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me. ³You are indeed my rock and my fortress; for your name's sake lead me and guide me, 4take me out of the net that is hidden for me. for you are my refuge. ⁵Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God. ⁶You hate those who pay regard to worthless idols, but I trust in the LORD. ⁷I will exult and rejoice in your steadfast love, because you have seen my affliction; you have taken heed of my adversities, 8and have not delivered me into the hand of the enemy; you have set my feet in a broad place. ⁹Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress; my eye wastes away from grief, my soul and body also. ¹⁰For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my misery, and my bones waste away. ¹¹I am the scorn of all my adversaries, a horror to my neighbors, an object of dread to my acquaintances; those who see me in the street flee from me. ¹²I have passed out of mind like one who is dead; I have become like a broken vessel. ¹³For I hear the whispering of many terror all around! as they scheme together against me, as they plot to take my life.

¹In you, O LORD, I seek refuge;

¹⁴But I trust in you, O LORD; I say, "You are my God." ¹⁵My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors. ¹⁶Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love. ¹⁷Do not let me be put to shame, O LORD, for I call on you; let the wicked be put to shame; let them go dumbfounded to Sheol. ¹⁸Let the lying lips be stilled that speak insolently against the righteous with pride and contempt. ¹⁹O how abundant is your goodness that you have laid up for those who fear you, and accomplished for those who take refuge in you, in the sight of everyone! ²⁰In the shelter of your presence you hide them from human plots; you hold them safe under your shelter from contentious tongues. ²¹Blessed be the LORD, for he has wondrously shown his steadfast love to me when I was beset as a city under siege. ²²I had said in my alarm, "I am driven far from your sight." But you heard my supplications when I cried out to you for help. ²³Love the LORD, all you his saints. The LORD preserves the faithful, but abundantly repays the one who acts haughtily. ²⁴Be strong, and let your heart take courage,

all you who wait for the LORD.

PRAYERS FOR AUGUST 28, 2022

TODAY we pray for:

Midge

Family and friends of Delores Beatty as they mourn her passing

Val

Ben Epstein

WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

Lynne Luettgen; Pam Wasgatt Montecalvo; Richard McBride; Isabella Alsop; Debbie Anderson; Laurie Spears; John Boguki; Terri Dickson Riggleman; Lois Nordby; Lena, John

Joanne Deaton; Dorothy Dzuris, Nancy Goyda, Joan Snyder; Ed and Erika Burke; Angie Wasgatt; Bob & Louise Ench; Vera Wagenfuhr; Polly Gillis; Kathy Long; Gener Ernst; Lis Verbeck; Lois Snyder; John Deaton; Gretchen Platz; Nanci Hunsinger; Chuck Loomis,

For those who are caregivers.

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 of the Delaware-Maryland Synod

For all pastors and church leaders

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

To request or update prayers, please call the church office (302-239-6481) office@glcde.org.

A note of thanks from Toni Durandetta

My thanks to all who attended and participated last Sunday in the wonderful evening of brass band music. Thank you, Jay Snyder for coordinating and a big thanks to Nancy Goyda for your sponsorship and efforts to bring Chesapeake Brass Band's wonderful performance to Grace Lutheran.

Capital Campaign for Roof Replacement - August 22, 2022 Update

- 1st phase pledges \$114,785
- 2nd phase pledges \$4700
- Additional available funds \$107,000
- Total available funds for roof project \$226,485



Stories of Grace has a new webpage! Each week we will add the latest story to the bottom of our page at https://www.glcde.org/pages/50-years-of-grace. Check it out to catch up on stories you missed or watch the videos again!

When I was nine years old, my mother passed away with cancer. This left my dad with six children and no mother to care for them. Dad had to make a living and care for his family. While it was a hard decision, dad realized he needed help. He gave up four of his children to the Delaware Foster Care System.

I was sent to live with Pastor George Mueller, his wife Myrtle and their three children, George, David and Ruth. I was from an unchurched family moved to a Christian home where Pastor Mueller was the mission developer for Concordia Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod. I did not know who Martin Luther was and had never heard of the Lutheran faith. I had lots to learn.

In 1947 I was confirmed along with a teenaged boy as the first confirmation class of Concordia. I had classes every Saturday mornings 9 – 12 for almost three years studying the Christian faith and learning the Creeds and Sacraments of the Lutheran faith. Was I ever baptized? Didn't I need to be to enter Heaven? There were no records saying I had been. It's safer to believe, die and learn you didn't need it than to not believe, die and learn you did need to be. It caused me concern.

While it was sad that mom was gone, being separated from dad, my three brothers and two younger sisters, it was a blessing for me living with the Mueller family. While there I met this tall, handsome, Christian, heading to the University of Delaware to study Mechanical Engineering, skinny teenager, the Love of my life. This past Father's day we celebrated our 69th wedding anniversary. We were married at Concordia.

December 7th has memories for us all:

Dec 7th, 1787 Delaware became the first state of the United States

Dec 7th, 1941 Pearl Harbor was attacked without warning by the Japanese President FDR said this date will live in infamy

Dec 7th, 1986 at 54 years old, Jan Hufnal was Baptized by our beloved pastor, Rev David Wasgatt at Grace Lutheran Church in Hockessin, DE putting me at PEACE.

I AM BAPTIZED!!

Submitted by Jan Hufnal

Update on Worship Service Times

Beginning September 11, Grace returns to a two-service format!

8:30 AM (blended style)

11:00 AM (traditional style)

As always, feedback is always welcome. Please see Pastor Tara, Jordan, or anyone on the Worship & Music Committee if you have any comments!

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS 10:00AM

Assisting Minister: Lynda Martinez **Greeter/Usher:** Amy Zunino

Usher: Jay Snyder **Reader:** Gerry Teig

Nursery: Laura Mackiewicz, Kevin Mackiewicz

Sound: Mark Maurer

Counters: Gerry Teig, Amy Zunino

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