SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION 8:30AM FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2022 SIXTEENTH 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 In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



- P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C** Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
- P Most merciful God,
- C we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.
- C Amen.
- P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.



Gather Us In

ELW 532



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 In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A 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.

C Lord, have mercy.

- A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

Please be seated

FIRST LESSON: Amos 6:1a, 4-7

^{1a}Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria,

⁴Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches,
and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall;
⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music;
⁶who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away. The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 146

Read responsively

¹ Hallelujah!
Praise the Lord, O my soul!
² I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
³ Put not your trust in rulers,
in mortals in whom there is no help.
⁴ When they breathe their last, they return to earth,
and in that day their thoughts perish.
⁵ Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,
whose hope is in the Lord their God;
⁶ who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;
who keeps promises forever;
⁷ who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.
The Lord sets the captive free.
⁸ The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are bowed

down;

the LORD loves the righteous.

⁹The Lord cares for the stranger;

the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

¹⁰The Lord shall reign forever,

your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

SECOND LESSON: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

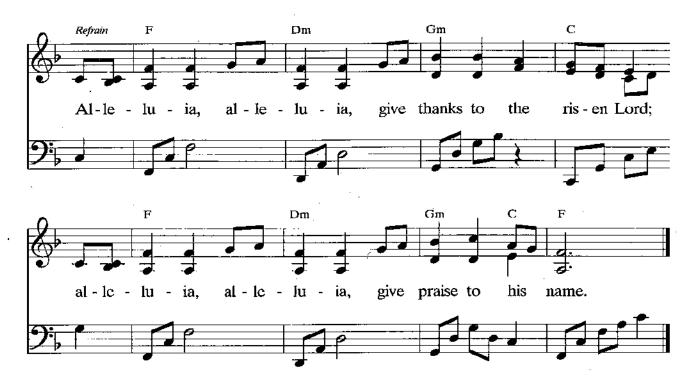
¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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

Please stand as you are able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL : Luke 16:19-31

The Gospel according to Saint Luke the sixteenth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' ²⁵But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' ²⁷He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may

warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' ²⁹Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' ³⁰He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' ³¹He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

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

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE

Pastor Tara Magoon

HYMN OF THE DAY

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

ELW 719

Please stand at the last verse.



- 5 O Master, from the mountainside make haste to heal these hearts of pain; among these restless throngs abide; oh, tread the city's streets again;
- 6 Till all the world shall learn your love, and follow where your feet have trod; till glorious from your heav'n above shall come the city of our God.

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 As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

A brief silence.

O God, rich in mercy, fill your church with righteousness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness. Empower the baptized by your Spirit to be rich in good works and ready to share. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Protect the earth and its creatures. Provide water, food, shelter, and favorable habitats, especially for endangered species. Preserve threatened ice caps, glaciers, parks, and beaches. God of grace, **hear our prayer**.

Increase justice in nations, local governments, and courtrooms. Guide lawyers and those who hold public office to act with compassion and discernment (*local authorities may be named*). God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Give food to the hungry. Set the captives free. Lift up those who are bowed down. Watch over the stranger. Tend to those who are ill (*especially*). Stir us to act in the best interest of our neighbors. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Enliven our praise. Inspire musicians, artists, poets, and all who create beauty in this place (*those who plan and lead worship may be named*). God of grace, **hear our prayer**. *Here other intercessions may be offered*.

Enfold the saints who have died in the arms of your loving care. Grant that the holy angels accompany us and bring us to eternal life with them in the light of your presence. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

PEACE

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

OFFERING

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 <u>www.glcde.org</u> 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.



ANTHEM

Salt and Light

L'Ecuyer & L'Ecuyer

OFFERTORY



OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.
- C Amen.

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, for the glorious resurrection of 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

C

- P 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

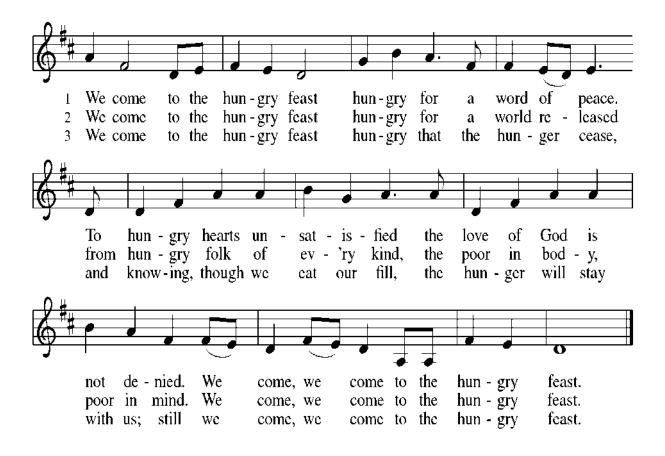
P Christ invites you to this table, Come, taste and see.

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.

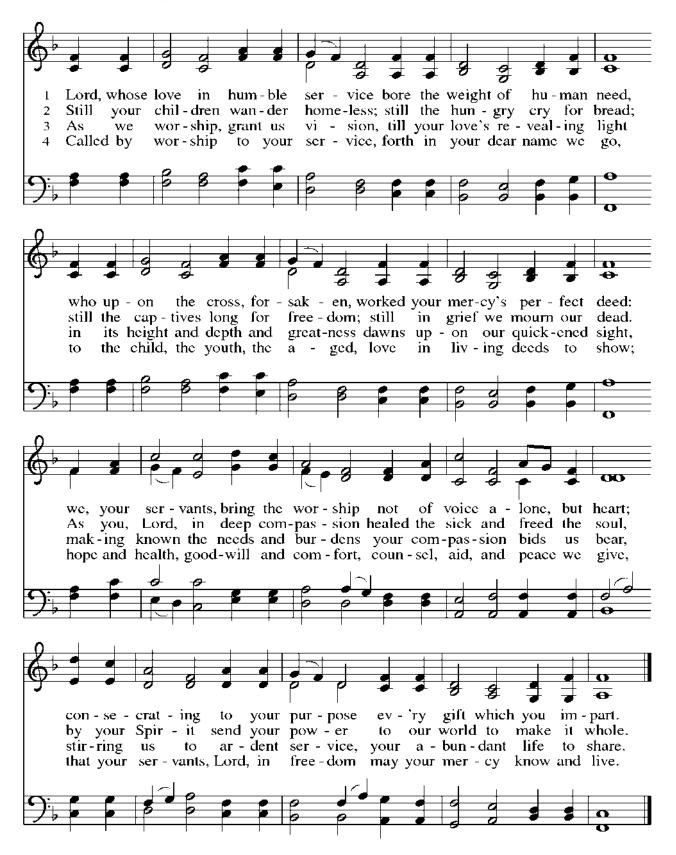
COMMUNION HYMN



We Come to the Hungry Feast ELW 479

COMMUNION HYMN

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service ELW 712



COMMUNION HYMN

Seed Scattered and Sown W&P 121



Please stand as you are able.

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 God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey.
 Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

BLESSING

- P God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace.
 And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.
- C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Canticle of the Turning



DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace, with Christ beside you.
- C Thanks be to God.

PRAYERS FOR SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

TODAY we pray:

- Bob & Crystal Mabon (friends of Vera Wagenfuhr)
- Bill Monaghan
- * Maria Santopietro (friend of Beth Fenner)

WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

Isabella Alsop (Susan Allen's granddaughter; Judy & Paul Freys (aunt and uncle of Beth Fenner); Krista Wacker; Midge; Val; Ben Epstein; Lynne Luettgen; Pam Wasgatt Montecalvo; Richard McBride; 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.

GRACE SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30AM Service of Holy Communion (Blended)

10:00AM Education Opportunities for all ages **11:00AM Service of Holy Communion (Traditional)**

The Service at 8:30AM is streamed live on our website -glcde.org.



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

8:30am

Assisting Minister: Nancy Goyda Greeter/Usher: Paul Warren Usher: Larry Matchen Reader: Penny Matchen Sound: KrisMcMahan, Gage McMahan Nursery: Laura Mackiewicz, Kevin Mackiewicz Counters: Jeremy Magoon, Gerry Teig

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 25

• The flowers in the church service today are given to the glory of God by the Dunfees in honor of their 23rd wedding anniversary.



Dear Grace Family,

We have discovered disturbing news this week that some offering checks that were mailed to Grace were intercepted and deposited somewhere else. That is, they never reached Grace. We are making reports to authorities, and we are investing in a more secure mail storage, but we wanted to let the congregation know that checks mailed in August or September may not have been deposited to Grace's bank account. If you mailed offering checks to Grace, you should contact our Financial Secretary, Gerry Teig (gerryteig@gmail.com) (610-574-1304), to see if Grace has received your check. You will need to notify your bank if a check has been deposited somewhere else so that they can investigate and recover those funds. We are aware that some checks that were mailed in September are missing but have not yet been deposited, so you may wish to stop payment.

Please hold off on mailing additional checks until congregational leaders let you know that we feel our mail is secure. We would recommend that, if you normally send checks through your bank, you consider using tithe.ly which can be set up through the "Give" button on the top right corner of our website at <u>www.glcde.org</u> or drop them off at the church office.

Thank you so much for your gifts and your ministry. You are appreciated and loved for who you are.

Pastor Tara Magoon

Grace Town Hall October 9, 2022, 9:45 am

Please attend to hear the latest news concerning Grace and its ministries.

Mark Teasley, Council President

Mark Your Calendars!

LADIES LUNCH BUNCH

Ladies Lunch bunch will be eeting at Grace on **Thursday, October 6. 12:30-2pm.** Interested in attending? Please email, text or call Janet Enslen: Janet.enslen@gmail.com or (302) 293-4494





50th Quilt

Last Sunday, in celebration of the Grace Quilters 21st anniversary and completion of 6100 quilts for LWR, the group presented a 50th anniversary creation for the church. It features picture of people and events from the history of Grace. What a masterpiece of love and God's gifts of creativity. This picture does not do justice to this quilt.

Thank you, Graceful Quilters!



50 Years of Favorite Memories from Current and Past Members of the Grace Family

THE GRACE PLAYERS

If you were present at that service, you will never forget Jim Foskett (alias John the Baptist) striding down the aisle toward the altar clad in animal skins and sandals shouting, "Repent, repent!" That Sunday the Grace Players were enacting a story in support of the sermon. For many years a casual group of actors performed skits, both Biblical and contemporary, as part of the church service at Grace. The large assortment of costumes found in the hall closet near the nursery were mainly made by Marcia Seehusen. Our Live Nativity participants are dressed in them every December.

In the past the Bible lessons at Rejoicing Spirits were enacted by a combination of participants and Grace members. There were rehearsals, costume fittings and props involved. Once the choir and the Grace Players joined forces to present a musical, "Bright New Wings."

Some scripts are still in our archives should anyone be interested in reviving the group.

- Submitted by Nancy Goyda

LCS WALK/RUN AGAINST HUNGER UPDATE



The Lutheran Community Services Walk/Run Against Hunger was held on September 17th at Concordia Lutheran Church. The weather could not have been more perfect for the walk and the event as a whole raised \$72,697 (so far) which exceeded their goal!

Thank you to everyone who donated to this effort - every dollar will be utilized by LCS to help those with food insecurity. And every dollar was needed - including the \$90 that was donated in loose change - for Grace to bring home the trophy for the most money raised.

Thank you for supporting LCS and showing the love of Jesus to those who are food insecure. We are His hands and (walking/running) feet!

LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY at the University of Delaware

The new term is in full swing, and we're already experiencing God's abundant blessings at LCM! J It's heartening to see the students' enthusiasm and joy in gathering, as well as to hear their hopes and plans for the year ahead. Our strong core of returning students welcomed three new students in September and continue to invite new folks. Praise God! So far this term, we've savored a *UDairy* ice cream run, volunteered with FISH (*Fellowship in Serving the Hungry*), and enjoyed a multi-campus fall retreat in Ocean City, Maryland, alongside other campus ministries from our synod. Please continue to pray that the Holy Spirit will draw new students to our group and that LCM will be a safe, supportive, Christ-centered place for young adults to grow in faith, leadership, and service. Thank you!

We invite you to join us for an **LCM property work day** on **Saturday, October 15**, beginning at 10 AM, at our 247 Haines Street location in Newark. Lunch will be provided around noon. We'll be trimming trees, tidying up the property for fall, sprucing up our chapel, and attending to a few additional projects. Work days offer a great opportunity to interact with LCM's students, board members, and staff, as we share tasks together and make our property even more beautiful and welcoming.

If you'd be interested in connecting with LCM more intentionally this year by bringing a Tuesday dinner for our students or by serving on our Directing Committee (governing board), please feel free to contact me. I also invite you to check out our website at www.lcmde.org.



Above all, we welcome your continued prayers, and we thank you for your partnership in ministry.

The students and I wish you God's blessings, peace, and joy this fall! May you and your loved ones be blessed with good health and with renewed hope.

In Christ, Mindy Holland, Minister of Word and Service † Chaplain, Lutheran Campus Ministry at UD 302-368-3078; chaplain@lcmde.org