



LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Sunday, July 6, 2025**

**9:30 AM Worship Service**

*The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost*



Everyday Tools:  
**ENCOURAGEMENT**

Pastor Doug Widger

**Altar Flowers given by:**

Nat Davies, in honor of In honor of Stephen, Amber, & Star Knight



**Welcome and Opening Prayer**

**Opening Song:** Open The Eyes Of My Heart

*Chorus:* Open the eyes of my heart Lord  
Open the eyes of my heart  
I want to see You  
I want to see You

*Verse:* To see You high and lifted up  
Shining in the light of Your glory  
Pour out Your power and love  
As we sing holy holy holy

*Bridge:*  
Holy holy holy  
Holy holy holy  
Holy holy holy  
I want to see You

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**Confession and Absolution**

*Luke 10:3–5; Psalm 66:8*

Pastor: When our Lord sent out His followers, He said, "Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves."

People: We confess that we fear those wolves, for we lambs are vulnerable. Help us, gracious God.

Pastor: "Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road."

People: We confess that we are doubtful about success without those things that we need each day. Help us, Christ, our Lord.

Pastor: "Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!'"

People: We confess that we are often silent, lest our friends reject our presence. Help us, O Holy Spirit.

Pastor: Your fears, doubts, and silence have all been forgiven by the death and resurrection of Christ on your behalf. God goes with you now into every circumstance. As a called and ordained servant of Christ I therefore remind you that you are forgiven of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of His praise be heard.

## Share Grace

### Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 66:10-14

(The prophet calls for rejoicing in the present time,  
for God has promised comfort and peace.)

- 10 "Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her;
- 11 that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance."
- 12 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.
- 13 As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.
- 14 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.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

### Epistle Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:9-11, 14-19

- 9 For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,
- 10 who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him.
- 11 Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.
- 14 And we urge you, brothers, admonish the idle, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all.
- 15 See that no one repays anyone evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to everyone.
- 16 Rejoice always,
- 17 pray without ceasing,
- 18 give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.
- 19 Do not quench the Spirit.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

## Gospel Reading

Luke 10:17-20

- 17 The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!"
- 18 And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven.
- 19 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.
- 20 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 our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

## Message Song: Christ Be My Leader

LSB #861

vs. 1-3

Christ be my Leader by night as by day;  
Safe through the darkness, for He is the way.  
Gladly I follow, my future His care,  
Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.

Christ be my Teacher in age as in youth,  
Drifting or doubting, for He is the truth.  
Grant me to trust Him; though shifting as sand,  
Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.

Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife;  
Death cannot hold me, for He is the life.  
Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain  
Can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign.

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## Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Connection Points

### Offering

#### Special Music: "May This Be The Place" - Women's Choir

*Verse 1:* May this be a place where God can make His presence known  
May this be a house where everyone can feel at home.

*Refrain:* May this please be filled praise,  
Let every heart and voice be raised to God for what He's Done.  
And most of all we'll thank Him for the gift of Jesus Christ, His only Son.

*Verse 2:* May this be a place where people can be free to pray.  
May this be a home where no one shall be turned away.

#### *REFRAIN*

*Verse 3:* May this be a time where everyone shall seek His face.  
May this be the song, we ask can sing "Amazing Grace".

#### *REFRAIN*

*BRIDGE:* Praise Him, praise the Lord, oh Praise His holy name.  
Praise Him, the Lamb for sinners slain.

*Verse 4:* May this be a time when everyone shall feel his pow'r.  
May this be a place where every knee shall bow this hour.

#### *REFRAIN*

### Communion

Beautiful Savior

LSB #537  
vs. 1-4

Beautiful Savior, King of creation,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love Thee,  
Truly I'd serve Thee,  
Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands,  
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer,  
Jesus is purer,  
He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight,  
Bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter,  
Jesus shines purer  
Than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor,  
Praise, adoration  
Now and forevermore be Thine!

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## God Loved the World So That He Gave

**LSB #571**  
**vs. 1-6**

God loved the world so that He gave  
His only Son the lost to save,  
That all who would in Him believe  
Should everlasting life receive.

Christ Jesus is the ground of faith,  
Who was made flesh and suffered death;  
All then who trust in Him alone  
Are built on this chief cornerstone.

God would not have the sinner die;  
His Son with saving grace is nigh;  
His Spirit in the Word declares  
How we in Christ are heaven's heirs.

Be of good cheer, for God's own Son  
Forgives all sins which you have done;  
And, justified by Jesus' blood,  
Your Baptism grants the highest good.

If you are sick, if death is near,  
This truth your troubled heart can cheer:  
Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;  
That is the firmest ground of faith.

Glory to God the Father, Son,  
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!  
To You, O blessed Trinity,  
Be praise now and eternally!

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## At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

**LSB #633**  
**vs. 1-8**

At the Lamb's high feast we sing  
Praise to our victorious King,  
Who has washed us in the tide  
Flowing from His pierced side.  
Alleluia!

Praise we Him, whose love divine  
Gives His sacred blood for wine,  
Gives His body for the feast—  
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.  
Alleluia!

Where the paschal blood is poured,  
Death's dread angel sheathes the sword;  
Israel's hosts triumphant go  
Through the wave that drowns the foe.  
Alleluia!

Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,  
Paschal victim, paschal bread;  
With sincerity and love  
Eat we manna from above.  
Alleluia!

Mighty Victim from the sky,  
Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;  
You have conquered in the fight,  
You have brought us life and light.  
Alleluia!

Now no more can death appall,  
Now no more the grave enthrall;  
You have opened paradise,  
And Your saints in You shall rise.  
Alleluia!

Easter triumph, Easter joy!  
This alone can sin destroy;  
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,  
Newborn souls in You to be.  
Alleluia!

Father, who the crown shall give,  
Savior, by whose death we live,  
Spirit, guide through all our days:  
Three in One, Your name we praise.  
Alleluia!

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## **Prayers of the Church**

### **Lord's Prayer**

### **Ways to Follow Jesus**



## Benediction

Pastor: The blessing of God Almighty—the Father who gave His Son to save us, the ✠ Son who has been victorious even over death, and the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us daily—go with You, now and forever.

People: Amen.

## Sending Song: Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

LSB #924

vs. 1-3

Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing,  
Fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
Let us each, Your love possessing,  
Triumph in redeeming grace.  
O refresh us; O refresh us,  
Trav'ling through this wilderness.

Thanks we give and adoration  
For Your Gospel's joyful sound.  
May the fruits of Your salvation  
In our hearts and lives abound.  
Ever faithful, ever faithful  
To Your truth may we be found.

Savior, when Your love shall call us  
From our struggling pilgrim way,  
Let not fear of death appall us,  
Glad Your summons to obey.  
May we ever, may we ever  
Reign with You in endless day.

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### COMMUNION NOTES

A traveling tray will be available for those who desire it.  
Gluten-free wafers are available. Grape juice is provided  
on the inner ring of the communion tray.

**We ask ourselves questions of examination:**

- ♦ Do I believe that I am a sinner and am I sorry for my sins?
- ♦ Do I believe that Jesus is my Savior and that through faith in Him my sins are forgiven?
- ♦ Do I believe that in this meal I receive the true Body and Blood of Jesus, for the forgiveness of my sins, not just a symbol of it?
- ♦ Do I intend, with the help of God, to live a Christian life?

*We welcome to the altar*

*all who answer yes to these questions and believe as we do.*

Those who have never communed with us before  
are asked to speak to the Pastor or Elder before the service.  
If you're not ready to participate in the Lord's Supper with us, please  
feel free to come forward. Folding of your arms will indicate to the  
Pastors your desire to receive a blessing.

# SOCCER CAMP

JOIN US FOR **FREE!**



Boys & Girls aged 8-14 years



**Register  
in person  
today**

 **July 8 – July 10**

 **6:00 PM – 8:00 PM**

**Grace Lutheran Church**  
210 W. Park Row Dr. Arlington, TX 76010



## MEN'S MINISTRIES: Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 AM

Meet at Grace's Fireside Room for breakfast and a devotion. We will then proceed to the National Medal of Honor Museum. Sign up in the Narthex. The cost is \$20 per person. Make checks payable to: Grace Lutheran Church, with "Museum" in the memo.



NATIONAL  
MEDAL of HONOR  
MUSEUM



Mark your calendars and join us for our Service of Blessing on Sunday, August 3, 2025.

Last year, approximately 200 kids from our community

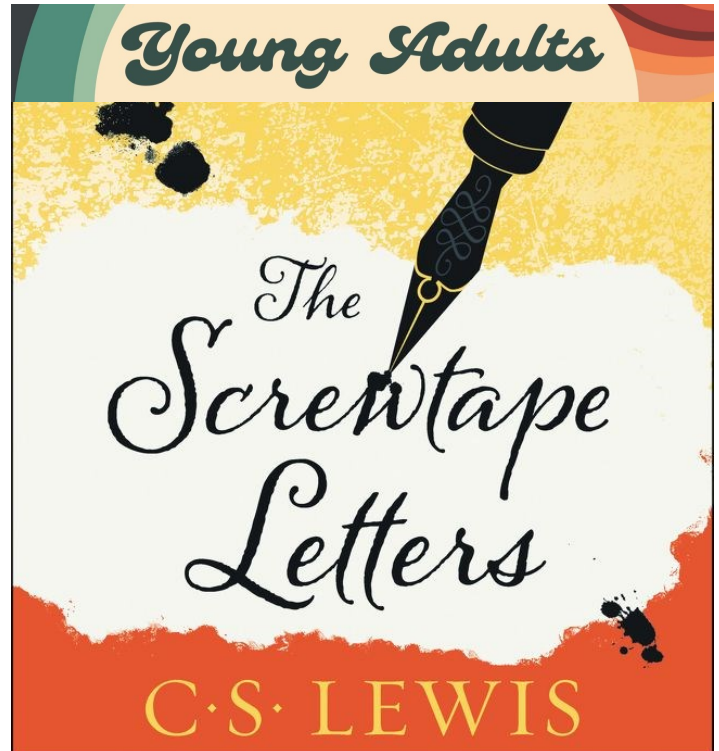
received a special blessing and a bag filled with supplies to begin the new school year.

We encourage you to pray about how you can help us and support this year.

### You can help by:

- Donating school supplies. A supplies list and place to drop off the supplies is in our Narthex/lobby.
- Donating money for this cause: **CHECK MEMO (SCHOOL SUPPLIES 2025)** or online giving.
- Bagging supplies (*a sign-up sheet will be in the Narthex/lobby*).
- Helping host at the reception after the back-to-school service.
- Praying for this event as we serve, care for, and share the Good News of Christ to our community.

To volunteer or any other questions, please contact Serena, Vicar Roberto or Deaconess Intern Lucy.



### **Young Adults Bible Study:**

Sundays @ 10:45 a.m. in the Conference Room  
(Old Library in Main Building — behind Connection Corner)

Leader: Martin Bode



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Grace Lutheran - Arlington



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A FRIEND FOR:

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**CHOSEN  
& CHAT**



WEDNESDAYS · 7 PM  
MEETING ROOM 2  
JUNE & JULY

## HELP WITH ENGLISH SUMMER SCHOOL!

We need 6 volunteers each Wednesday night to help students with pronunciation and simple activities. No experience needed — just a heart to serve! Training provided! If you're interested in serving our community in a meaningful way, please contact Serena Pace ([space@grace.lc](mailto:space@grace.lc) or [817-274-1626](tel:817-274-1626)).





## ~ Sundays @ 10:45 a.m. ~

- ♦ Jim Runzheimer's Bible Class - *Fireside Room*
  - ♦ Pastor Doug Widger's Class: Book of John - *MR 2*
  - ♦ Biblical Parenting Group - *GLEE Wing*
  - ♦ Young Adult Bible Study - *Conference Room*
  - ♦ Grace Youth (Grades 9-12) - *Youth Shed*
  - ♦ Grace Youth (Grades 7-8) - *Meeting Room 4*
  - ♦ Grace Kids (Preschool 4's/Kinder, Grades 1-6) - *Preschool Wing Classrooms*
  - ♦ Babies - 3 year olds - *Nursery (throughout the morning)*
- Comfort & Nursing Rooms are available.*

## ELDERS AND THEIR ASSIGNED MEMBERS

Joe Masterson	A-B
Hank Jacobs	C-E
Keith Mangels	F-H
Mike Kennedy	I-L
Mike Curtis	M-O
Ernie Owens	P-R
Brian Bassett	S
Jim Schmidt	T-Z

Head Elder:  
Joe Masterson



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Pastor Doug Widger, Lead Shepherd  
Pastor Steve Roth, Community Care  
Dr. Serena Pace, DCE, Director of Ministries  
Mr. William Land, Worship Director  
Mrs. Laura Scott, Director of Early Education  
Rev. Dr. Russell Hildebrandt, Pastor Emeritus

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

### Sunday, July 6, 2025

9:30 AM Worship Service - *Sanctuary*  
10:45 AM Bible Classes for all ages  
12:00 PM Spanish Worship Service - *Fireside Room*  
1:00 -2:00 PM Catechesis - *Hispanic Ministry office (FLC)*

### Tuesday, July 8, 2025

9:30 AM Braille (Smiths' Group) - *Braille Room: MR1*  
6:00 - 8:00 PM Soccer Camp - *Joeckel Field*  
7:00 PM Board of Directors Meeting - *Meeting Room 2*  
7:30 PM Community Basketball - *Gym*

### Wednesday, July 9, 2025

1:00 PM Braille (Holy Cross Group) - *Braille Room: MR1*  
6:00 - 8:00 PM Soccer Camp - *Joeckel Field*  
6:15 PM Women's Choir Rehearsal - *Music Room*  
6:30 - 8:00 PM English Summer School  
7:00 PM The Chosen & Chat - *Meeting Room 2*

### Thursday, July 10, 2025

6:00 PM Braille (Sandra's Braille Buddies) - *Braille: MR1*  
6:00 - 8:00 PM Soccer Camp - *Joeckel Field*

### Friday, July 11, 2025

6:00 - 7:00 PM Grace FC Soccer Ministry - *Joeckel Field*  
7:00 PM Spanish Bible Study - *Fireside Room*

### Saturday, July 12, 2025

9:00 AM Men's Ministry Breakfast/Museum Visit:  
Meet at Grace's Fireside Room for breakfast/devotion. We will then go to the National Medal of Honor Museum. Sign up in the Narthex. The cost is \$20 per person. Make checks payable to: [Grace Lutheran Church](#), with "Museum" in the memo.  
9:00 AM Altar Guild  
2:00 - 3:00 PM Catechesis - *Hispanic Ministry office (FLC)*

### Sunday, July 13, 2025

9:30 AM Worship Service - *Sanctuary*  
10:45 AM Bible Classes for all ages  
12:00 PM Spanish Worship Service - *Fireside Room*  
12:15 PM Young Adult Lunch - *Torchy's Tacos (400 Five Points Blvd. #141, Arlington)*  
1:00 -2:00 PM Catechesis - *Hispanic Ministry office (FLC)*

TODDLERS  
THRU PRE-K  
(AND ADULT)

# SPLASH DAY

JULY 15TH  
9:30 - 11AM

DON'T FORGET: swimsuit/swim diaper, towel, lawn chair, and water bottles.  
RSVP with Serena at [space@grace.lc](mailto:space@grace.lc) or call 817-274-1626.

## BLAZE WEEK

### Local Mission Camp

THEME: So Much More...

Experiencing the Abundance of God

July 7—10, 9am—4 pm, \$60

For Incoming GRADE 6 - Completed GRADE 12

A week of local service, mission, and fun!

Includes: Large Group/Small Group, Daily Service and Mission Opportunity, Lunch (Pizza, Hot Dogs, Tacos, Chicken Strips) and Fun Activity Off Campus (Swim, Scavenger Hunt, Mini Golf, and more).

Contact Serena to sign up, ask questions, or to volunteer!  
[space@grace.lc](mailto:space@grace.lc); 817-274-1626, x 1002

**graceSeniors**

If you ordered a downsizing book, please pick your copy up from Serena.

Young Adult  
LUNCH

# TORCHY'S TACOS

JULY 13TH  
AT 12:15PM

400 Five Points Blvd., #141  
Arlington, TX 76108

Contact Keith, Lyn or Serena with questions.  
We will take a count that morning.