



Sunday, August 3, 2025
9:30 AM Worship Service
The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Altar Flowers given by:

Tommy & Delores Smith, in honor of
their 65th Wedding Anniversary



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

Pastor: Almighty God,

People: You are the giver of everything we have. Yet, we are guilty of coveting the possessions, experiences, and social standing of others. We sin by valuing these things above You. For Jesus' sake, forgive our sins. Renew us in Your knowledge and conform us to Your image by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Pastor: "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you by His poverty might become rich" (2 Corinthians 8:9). We receive the riches of God's

forgiveness because of Jesus. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Share Grace

Old Testament Responsive Reading

Psalm 100

Pastor: Know that the Lord, He is God!

People: It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Pastor: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

People: Serve the Lord with gladness!

Pastor: Come into His presence with singing!

People: Know that the Lord, He is God!

Pastor: It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

People: Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise!

Pastor: Give thanks to Him; bless His name!

People: For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.

Pastor: Know that the Lord, He is God!

People: It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

Colossians 3:1-11

- 1 If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.
- 2 Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.
- 3 For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.
- 4 When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.
- 5 Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.
- 6 On account of these the wrath of God is coming.
- 7 In these you too once walked, when you were living in them.
- 8 But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth.
- 9 Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices

- 10 and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.
- 11 Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Luke 12:13-21

- 13 Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."
- 14 But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?"
- 15 And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions."
- 16 And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully, and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?'
- 17 And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.
- 18 And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." '
- 19 But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?'
- 20 So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Message Song: The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

LSB #710

vs. 1-5

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again and me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness, e'en for His own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, Yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod and staff me comfort still.

My table Thou hast furnished in presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me;
And in God's house forevermore my dwelling place shall be.

Message: "Parable of the Rich Fool" - Pastor Doug Widger

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: "Come Sing Unto the Lord" - Women's Choir

Communion

The Lamb

LSB #547
vs. 1-5

The Lamb, the Lamb,
O Father, where's the sacrifice?
Faith sees, believes
God will provide the Lamb of price! *Refrain*

Refrain: Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

The Lamb, the Lamb,
One perfect final offering.
The Lamb, the Lamb,
Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing. *Refrain*

The Lamb, the Lamb,
As wayward sheep their shepherd kill
So still, His will
On our behalf the Law to fill. *Refrain*

He sighs, He dies,
He takes my sin and wretchedness.
He lives, forgives,
He gives me His own righteousness. *Refrain*
He rose, He rose,
My heart with thanks now overflows.
His song prolong
Till ev'ry heart to Him belong. *Refrain*

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Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

LSB #636
vs. 1-8

Soul, adorn yourself with gladness,
Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
Come into the daylight's splendor,
There with joy your praises render.
Bless the One whose grace unbounded
This amazing banquet founded;
He, though heav'nly, high, and holy,
Deigns to dwell with you most lowly.

Hasten as a bride to meet Him,
And with loving rev'rence greet Him.
For with words of life immortal
He is knocking at your portal.
Open wide the gates before Him,
Saying, as you there adore Him:
Grant, Lord, that I now receive You,
That I nevermore will leave You.

He who craves a precious treasure
Neither cost nor pain will measure;
But the priceless gifts of heaven
God to us has freely given.
Though the wealth of earth were proffered,
None could buy the gifts here offered:
Christ's true body, for you riven,
And His blood, for you once given.

Now in faith I humbly ponder
Over this surpassing wonder
That the bread of life is boundless
Though the souls it feeds are countless:
With the choicest wine of heaven
Christ's own blood to us is given.
Oh, most glorious consolation,
Pledge and seal of my salvation!

Jesus, source of lasting pleasure,
Truest friend, and dearest treasure,
Peace beyond all understanding,
Joy into all life expanding:
Humbly now, I bow before You;
Love incarnate, I adore You;
Worthily let me receive You
And, so favored, never leave You.

Jesus, sun of life, my splendor,
Jesus, friend of friends, most tender,
Jesus, joy of my desiring,
Fount of life, my soul inspiring:
At Your feet I cry, my maker,
Let me be a fit partaker
Of this blessed food from heaven,
For our good, Your glory, given.

Lord, by love and mercy driven,
You once left Your throne in heaven
On the cross for me to languish
And to die in bitter anguish,
To forego all joy and gladness
And to shed Your blood in sadness.
By this blood redeemed and living,
Lord, I praise You with thanksgiving.

Jesus, bread of life, I pray You,
Let me gladly here obey You.
By Your love I am invited,
Be Your love with love requited;
By this Supper let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.
Through the gift of grace You give me
As Your guest in heav'n receive me.

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Amazing Grace

LSB #744
vs. 1-5

Amazing grace—how sweet the sound—
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind but now I see!

The Lord has promised good to me,
His Word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
His grace has brought me safe thus far,
His grace will lead me home.

Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail
And mortal life shall cease,
Amazing grace shall then prevail
In heaven's joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun.

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Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Ways to Follow Jesus

Benediction

Hebrews 13:20–21

Pastor: Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Sending Song: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LSB #790
vs. 1–4

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear now to His temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen all that is needful has been
Sent by His gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you,
Health has bestowed and, When heedlessly falling, has stayed you.
What need or grief ever has failed of relief?
Wings of His mercy did shade you.

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
As with His love He befriends you.

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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.



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Puzzle Exchange

Bring a puzzle and exchange it for another! If you don't have a puzzle, just take one and return when completed. Located in the NARTHEX.

**WONDER-
FULLY
MADE**

Jim Runzheimer's Sunday Bible Class: A New Topic!

"Wonderfully Made" will be a new adult Sunday school class beginning August 17, 2025, in the Fireside Room. Wonder-Fully Made: A Protestant Theology of the Body, will be the textbook used. The class theme is taken from Psalm 139:13-18. The author is Dr. John W. Kleinig. Dr. Kleinig has been a professor at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana, and Australian Lutheran College. He is also the author of the Hebrews and Leviticus Commentaries in the Concordia Commentaries series. Wonder-Fully Made is available online from multiple outlets, including christianbook.com, eBay, Wal-Mart, and thriftbooks.com. For more information please call Jim Runzheimer at (817) 795-2020 (office) or email at runz-law@att.net.

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"FOLLOW ME, AND I WILL
MAKE YOU BECOME
FISHERS OF MEN."

MARK 1:17



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~ Sundays @ 10:45 a.m. ~

- ♦ Jim Runzheimer's Bible Class - *Fireside Room*
- ♦ Pastor Doug Widger's Class - *Meeting Room 2*
- ♦ Biblical Parenting Group - *GLEE Wing*
- ♦ Young Adult Bible Study - *Conference Room*
- ♦ Grace Youth (Grades 7 - 12) - *Youth Shed*
- ♦ 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
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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sunday, August 3, 2025

- 9:30 AM Worship Service - *Sanctuary*
- 10:45 AM Bible Classes for all ages
- 12:00 PM Back to School Blessing Service &
School Supply Distribution - *Sanctuary, then Gym*

Tuesday, August 5, 2025

- 7:30 PM Coed Community Basketball - *Gym*

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

- 6:15 PM Women's Choir Rehearsal - *Music Room*

Thursday, August 7, 2025

- 9:00 AM Braille (Moretz Group) - *Braille Room: MR1*
- 6:30 PM Braille (Charity Group) - *Braille Room: MR1*
- 7:00 PM Guitar Lessons - *Music Room*

Friday, August 8, 2025

- 7:00 PM Spanish Bible Study - *Fireside Room*

Saturday, August 9, 2025

- 9:00 AM Altar Guild
- 2:00 - 3:00 PM Catechesis - *Hispanic Ministry office (FLC)*

Sunday, August 10, 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)*



Contact Will Land for questions at wland@grace.lc



FAMILY MINISTRY 2025-26 PLANNING MEETING

Sunday, August 17th
12:15 — 1:45 PM

Lunch included.

RSVP for lunch w/Serena by 8/14.

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