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Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

July 5, 2020

Welcome: We are delighted to be able to once again worship together in larger groups. We also thank God for those watching our service online. We pray that you find today's service a source of encouragement and strength. Please take time to register your attendance using the slips in the pew rack these can be placed in the offering plate as you exit.

Prayer Requests are always welcome. To have someone included in our prayers during worship, please call the pastor or church office or write down the request and give it to the pastor.

A Little Luther: Martin Luther helped to restore to the church the teaching concerning the two kingdoms. James Madison, the principal author of the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, explicitly credited Martin Luther as the theorist who "led the way" in providing the proper distinction between the civil and the ecclesiastical spheres. Luther spoke of the distinction as follows: "God has ordained the two governments: the spiritual, which by the Holy Spirit under Christ makes Christians and pious people; and the secular, which restrains the unchristian and wicked so that they are obliged to keep the peace outwardly... The laws of worldly government extend no farther than to life and property and what is external upon earth. For over the soul God can and will let no one rule but himself. Therefore, where temporal power presumes to prescribe laws for the soul, it encroaches upon God's government and only misleads and destroys souls. We desire to make this so clear that everyone shall grasp it, and that the princes and bishops may see what fools they are when they seek to coerce the people with their laws and commandments into believing one thing or another." On Secular Authority

Order of Worship
Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. 1 Timothy 2:1-2

Preservice Music

Welcome and Greeting Time

Ringling of the Bell

♪Opening Hymn: “Before You, Lord, We Bow”

LSB 966

- 1 Before You, Lord, we bow, Our God who reigns above
And rules the world below, Boundless in pow’r and love.
Our thanks we bring In joy and praise,
Our hearts we raise To You, our King!**

- 2 The nation You have blest May well Your love declare,
From foes and fears at rest, Protected by Your care.
For this bright day, For this fair land—
Gifts of Your hand— Our thanks we pay.**

- 3 May ev’ry mountain height, Each vale and forest green,
Shine in Your Word’s pure light, And its rich fruits be seen!
May ev’ry tongue Be tuned to praise
And join to raise A grateful song.**

- 4 Earth, hear your Maker’s voice; Your great Redeemer own;
Believe, obey, rejoice, And worship Him alone.
Cast down your pride, Your sin deplore,
And bow before The Crucified.**

**5 And when in pow'r He comes, Oh, may our native land
From all its rending tombs Send forth a glorious band,
A countless throng, With joy to sing
To heav'n's high King Salvation's song!**

Stand

P In the name of the Father and of † the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations! Rev 15:3-4

C **Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people.** Prov 13:34

P Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord,

C **And the people whom He has chosen for His own inheritance.** Ps.33:12

P Together as God's people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit, He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C **Amen.**

Collect for the Nation

P Lord of time and God of History, we ask you to keep our nation and its leaders under your care. It is by your grace and blessing alone that we can know peace and freedom. Direct and lead us to live justly with our neighbors, peaceably in our communities and joyfully in our land, seeking the common good. This we ask through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Sit

Scripture Reading with Hymn Response

P For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the Lord your God for the good land he has given you.

Deut. 8:7-10 (ESV)

♪Hymn Response: “America the Beautiful”

**O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties Above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea!**

**O beautiful for heroes proved In liberating strife.
Who more than self their country loved
And mercy more than life!
America! America! May God thy gold refine
Till all success be nobleness And every gain divine!**

Old Testament Reading

Zechariah 9:9–12

⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. ¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

Romans 7:14–25

¹⁴For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. ¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. ¹⁷So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. ²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, ²³but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? ²⁵Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Reading

Matthew 11:25–30

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 11th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁵At that time Jesus declared, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ

Sit

♪Hymn: “God of our Fathers”

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God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past,
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast,
Be Thou our Ruler, Guardian, Guide and Stay,
Thy Word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

From war’s alarms, from deadly pestilence,
Be Thy strong arm our ever sure defense;
Thy true religion in our hearts increase,
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way,
Lead us from night to never ending day;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.

Sermon “Rest for the Weary”

Pastor Erik

♪Hymn of Response: “All Ye Who on this Earth”

TLH #581 v. 1 & 7

All ye who on this earth do dwell, Give thanks and glorify
The Lord whose praises ever swell In seraph songs on high.

May He adorn with precious peace Our own, our native, land
And crown with joys that never cease The labors of our hand.

Collect for Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

☐ Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life’s end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☐ Amen

**Prayer of the Church
In Our Prayers Today**

- Our nation
- Those serving our country in the armed forces and homeland security agencies
- Those who are traveling
- Those who are ill or hospitalized

Lord's Prayer

LSB 209

**☩ Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive
those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Benedicamus and Benediction

☩ Let us bless the Lord.

☩ Thanks be to God.

☩ The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

☩ Amen

♪ Closing Hymn: “God Bless Our Native Land”

LSB 965

**God bless our native land; Firm may she ever stand
Through storm and night. When the wild tempests rave,
Ruler of wind and wave, Do Thou our country save
By Thy great might.**

**So shall our prayers arise To God above the skies;
On Him we wait. Thou who art ever nigh,
Guarding with watchful eye, To Thee aloud we cry:
God save the state!**

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NEWS AND NOTES

WE REJOICE with the following members of Grace who are celebrating this week.

BIRTHDAYS: Cheryl Lessmann, Sally Lubberstedt, Ferris Meyer, Scot Saul, Judy Sorensen, Cassie Navrkal, KimBerly Hansen, Jesse Heithold, Tyler Reinhardt, Ethan Sebade, Freya Young, Baylen Beiermann, Melodie Longe, Mike Wurdeman, Lainey Elberg & Samara Evans

ANNIVERSARIES: Dennis & Deb Dannelly

LUTHERAN HOUR: -- "Perfection Welcomes Failure" -- Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler -- God's perfect standards are exceeded only by His perfect patience and forgiveness. Hear the "Lutheran Hour" message on KTCH AM next Sunday at 7:30 am.

LAST WEEK: Our offerings were \$9,393.

ONLINE WORSHIP: Livestream of our Sunday morning services is being offered each week. This allows those watching from home or on the road to see the service practically as it happens. Due to this change, the link to take viewers to the livestream is not available until Sunday morning. Check the church's website www.gracewayne.com or Facebook page for the link. A recording of the service is still available to watch later in the day or week. May God bless your worship time.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: God commands that I honor authorities. In the Bible account for this week, "Joseph Cares for Jacob," we see this command in action as Joseph cares for his aging father. Through His Son, Jesus, God forgives us when we fail to honor authorities. Discuss, "Whom has God put in authority over you? How can you honor those in authority over you?"

Online videos covering the lesson of the week with links to related activities will continue to be posted on the Sunday School Facebook page (www.facebook.com/ssgracewayne) throughout the summer. Be sure to also check out the Free Content Library provided by CPH on their homepage (www.cph.org).

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Our small group adult Bible Study on the book of Ezekiel has been continuing to meet at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday. New faces are always welcome.

PASTORAL CARE: During this time of anxiety and uncertainty please don't hesitate to let your pastors know how we can be of service to you. Whether it is through our private prayers, a word of encouragement or simply someone to talk with. We can be reached via phone at the church 402-375-1905 or cell phone Pastor Buchhorn 979-540-7917 or Pastor Erik 979-204-0752.

ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION: The LYF is collecting aluminum cans as a fundraiser for the youth group. Please place the cans you donate in the small shed on the west side of the alley behind the preschool. Please put your cans in tied plastic sacks and **NO BOTTLES! ALUMINUM CANS ONLY, NO OTHER TYPE OF ALUMINUM.** The youth appreciate your effort in helping to raise money and also helping to clean up the environment!

LADIES AID will be meeting July 8, 2020, at 2:00 pm. All ladies of the congregation are cordially invited to attend. Mark your calendars.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

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LUTHERAN HOUR SPONSOR: Beverly Hansen

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY	8:00 am.	Worship
	9:15 am.	Worship
	10:30 am.	Worship
MONDAY	7:30 pm.	Elders
WEDNESDAY	9:00 am.	Bible Study
	2:00 pm.	Ladies Aid
	6:00 pm.	Family Communion
	7:30 pm.	Jr. High Zoom Meeting
	8:15 pm.	High School Zoom Meeting
THURSDAY	5:15 pm.	Young Adult Bible Study
SATURDAY	6:00 pm.	Family Communion
NEXT SUNDAY	8:00 am.	Worship/Communion
	9:15 am.	Worship/Communion
	10:30 am.	Worship/Communion

COVID precautions. As we gather for worship we remain mindful of the continuing need to take measures to mitigate the potential spread of the corona virus.

- Online services are still available, please make use of these services particularly if you are ill or part of a vulnerable population.
- Cloth masks are available. Please take and keep one.
- Hand Sanitizing stations are available at each door.
- Please observe social distancing while in the sanctuary. Skip every other pew as indicated and allow 6 feet between household groups in the same pew.
- While not needed for the service, hymnals are available on tables by the door, please put any used hymnal in the appropriate bin for sanitizing.
- Children's book/activity bags have temporarily been replaced with take home bags with Happy Times Devotionals. Bags and their contents are not reusable, so take them along with you.

We delight that you are here and pray you find your time in God's house gives you peace and encouragement.

LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL: Grace Lutheran is a part of the Lutheran High Northeast association. Lutheran High is located in Norfolk. Lutheran High Northeast seeks to equip young people for service as Christian disciples through the Gospel of Jesus Christ by providing a Christian learning environment that stresses academic excellence; builds self-worth in the Gospel; fosters mutual respect; and encourages responsibility. “To God be the glory.” Romans 16:27

LUTHERAN HIGH NORTHEAST
-WEEKLY NEWS-
July 4-5, 2020



LHNE Job Positions Open for 2020-2021 School Year -

- † Part-time Evening Maintenance Position
- † Part-time music teacher (band/choir)
- † Secretary (9/15 to 12/15)
- † Head Girls Soccer Coach

LHNE REGISTRATION DAY – LHNE Registration Day for students entering grades 9-12 will be on August 10th. You can register any time between 9AM-6PM. We can't wait to see you!

Upcoming Events at LHNE –

- 7/20 LHNE Blood Drive at LHNE Noon-6PM
- 7/26 LHNE Graduation @ 2PM
- 8/10 LHNE Registration Day 9AM-6PM
- 8/11 New Student Orientation 8AM-1PM
- 8/30 LHNE Beef Blast

For information on any **Lutheran High Northeast** activity or to see a complete calendar, please visit our website: www.lhne.org

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