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TWELTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST August 15, 2021

Welcome: We are glad that you are here or are watching our worship service online. May you be blessed through this time of worship. We pray you find today's service a source of encouragement and strength. For those worshipping in person please take time to register your attendance using the slips in the pew rack. These can be placed in the offering plates by the door as you exit.

Rally Day: Welcome to our annual celebration of Christian Education and the beginning of a new Sunday School year. This is a day to rededicate ourselves to be students of God's Word. A picnic lunch is being served at Cup of Grace following the 10:30 a.m. service. All are welcome.

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.

Lectionary Summary: Jesus is the divine Word by whom all things were made, who has become flesh and dwells among us. He gives His flesh "*for the life of the world,*" not only as a sacrifice for sin but as "*the living bread*" from heaven (John 6:51). Eat His flesh and drink His blood (John 6:54–57), and no longer walk in the darkness of sin, but walk in His light. "*Arise from the dead*" and live in Him, because you are "*light in the Lord*" (Eph. 5:8, 14). Being filled with His Spirit, confess Him to "*one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart*" (Eph. 5:18–19). Fear, love and trust in Him, "*and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness*" (Josh. 24:14). For He has brought you "*out of the house of slavery*" by His cross and resurrection, and now He does "*great signs*" in your sight (Josh. 24:17). Indeed, He is the divine wisdom, who has built His house, prepared His feast and set His table; He bids you to recline and eat of His bread and drink of the wine He has mixed (Prov. 9:1–5).

Order of Worship for Rally Day
Service of Prayer and Preaching LSB260

Prelude

Welcome and Greeting Time

Ringing of the Bell

♪ **Opening Hymn: “Earth and All Stars”**

LSB 817 sts. 1, ref, 6–7

1 Earth and all stars! Loud rushing planets! Sing to the Lord a new song!
Oh, victory! Loud shouting army! Sing to the Lord a new song!

ref He has done marvelous things.
I too will praise Him with a new song!

6 Knowledge and truth! Loud sounding wisdom! Sing to the Lord a new song!
Daughter and son! Loud praying members! Sing to the Lord a new song! *Ref*

7 Children of God, Dying and rising, Sing to the Lord a new song!
Heaven and earth, Hosts everlasting, Sing to the Lord a new song! *Ref*

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Stand

Opening Versicles

P This is the day which the Lord has made;

C **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

P From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

P Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

C **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

P Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

C **Teach me Your paths.**

P Sanctify us in Your truth.

C **Your Word is truth.**

P From the rising of the sun to its setting,

- C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

♪ Hymn: “Jesus Loves Me”

LSB 588 sts. 1–2

1 Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong; They are weak, but He is strong. *Refrain*

ref Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

2 Jesus loves me! He who died Heaven’s gates to open wide.
He has washed away my sin, Lets His little child come in. *Refrain*

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Sit

Readings From Holy Scripture

Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 9:1–10

¹Wisdom has built her house; she has hewn her seven pillars. ²She has slaughtered her beasts; she has mixed her wine; she has also set her table. ³She has sent out her young women to call from the highest places in the town, ⁴“Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!” To him who lacks sense she says, ⁵“Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. ⁶Leave your simple ways, and live, and walk in the way of insight.” ⁷Whoever corrects a scoffer gets himself abuse, and he who reproves a wicked man incurs injury. ⁸Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you; reprove a wise man, and he will love you. ⁹Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser; teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning. ¹⁰The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Ten Commandments

- C** You shall have no other gods.
You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.
Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
Honor your father and your mother.
You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Epistle

Ephesians 5:6–21

⁶Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. ⁷Therefore do not associate with them; ⁸for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹(for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), ¹⁰and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. ¹³But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, ¹⁴for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.” ¹⁵Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, ²⁰giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Holy Gospel

John 6:51–69

P The Holy Gospel according to John, the sixth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.” ⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” ⁵³So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. ⁵⁵For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in

me, and I in him. ⁵⁷As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not as the fathers ate and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.” ⁵⁹Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum. ⁶⁰When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?” ⁶¹But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, “Do you take offense at this? ⁶²Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is of no avail. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴But there are some of you who do not believe.” (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) ⁶⁵And he said, “This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father.” ⁶⁶After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. ⁶⁷So Jesus said to the Twelve, “Do you want to go away as well?” ⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, ⁶⁹and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

C 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.

Sit

Children's Message

♪ Sermon Hymn: “Christ Be My Leader”

LSB 861

1 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.**

**2 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.**

**3 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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Sermon “The Words of Eternal Life”

Pastor Buchhorn

♪Hymn of Response: “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”

LSB 655

**1 Lord, keep us steadfast in Your Word;
Curb those who by deceit or sword
Would wrest the kingdom from Your Son
And bring to naught all He has done.**

**2 Lord Jesus Christ, Your pow’r make known,
For You are Lord of lords alone;
Defend Your holy Church that we
May sing Your praise eternally.**

**3 O Comforter of priceless worth,
Send peace and unity on earth;
Support us in our final strife
And lead us out of death to life.**

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10:30 a.m. only

Installation of Sunday School & Midweek Teachers

Sunday School

Nursery – Nancy Meyer

Kindergarten – Julie Bose & Sarah Hansen

1st & 2nd – Michelle Ekberg & Desiree Kneifl

3rd, 4th & 5th – Symphony Jareske

6th, 7th & 8th – Amanda Broberg

Midweek

3rd – Sarah Hansen

4th – Symphony Jareske

5th – Sonya Tompkins

6th – Carlene Bodlak

7th – Pastor Buchhorn

8th – Pastor Erik

Presentation of Bibles and Catechisms

3rd Grade

Izabelle Ruwe

Evelyn Lilienkamp

Aiden Kesting

Ryker Heithold

Nora Heithold

Conner Hansen

Lainey Ekberg

Liam Blohm

6th Grade

Alivia Kesting

Courtney Roeber

Tre'cyn Ocampo

Gracelynn Daniels

Stand

Prayer

LSB 265

P In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For . . . [*additional bids for prayer may be inserted here*] . . . let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

P Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow His steps in the way that leads to life eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Collect for the Word

P Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives on reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

C **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.**

Morning Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Blessing

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C Amen.

Sit

♪Closing Hymn: “We Are Called to Stand Together”

LSB 828

- 1 We are called to stand together With the saints of ages past,
With the patriarchs and prophets In the faith they once held fast;
Promises and hopes they treasured Now we find fulfilled at last!
- 2 Those whom Jesus called apostles Journeyed with Him side by side,
Heard His teaching, felt His power, Saw the way He lived and died;
Then the news of resurrection They delivered far and wide.
- 3 Through the intervening ages Round the world the Gospel spread:
Faithful heralds took the message, Guided where the Spirit led;
So the body grew in stature, Serving Christ, the living head.
- 4 Now in many tongues and cultures Songs of celebration ring;
Millions who confess our Savior Honor Him as Lord and King
And, for courage, grace and guidance Ev’ry day their prayers they bring.
- 5 To each coming generation Tell the truth, persuade, explain,
Till the time when time is ended, Till the Savior comes again—
Till the saints are all united Under Christ’s eternal reign!

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NEWS AND NOTES

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

BIRTHDAYS: Alvin Gehner, Mardelle Mikkelsen, Dennis Carroll, Kori Witt, Mark Janke, Joann Temme, Judy Ellis, Roger Hefti, Mindy Heithold, Lee Larsen, Jade Lilienkamp, Nathan Temme, & Norma Tietz

ANNIVERSARIES: Jared & Brenna Anderson, Jeff & Colleen Simpson, David & Jan Doescher, Lowell & Kathy Johnson, Hilbert & Kathleen Johs, Josh & Sara Ruwe and Carl & Elaine Rump

LAST WEEK our offerings were \$6,365.

ONLINE WORSHIP: Livestream of our Sunday morning services is being offered each week. Check the church's website www.gracewayne.com or Facebook page for the link which should be available on Sunday morning. A recording of the service is still available to watch later in the day or week. May God bless your worship time.

LUTHERAN HOUR: "**Ephesians 5**" -- Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer
The New Testament book of Ephesians instructs wives to obey their husbands—but what does it say to husbands? Hear the "Lutheran Hour" message on KTCH AM next Sunday at 7:30 am.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS: There will be no adult Bible class today as we set up at the Willow Bowl for our Rally Day service. Join us next Sunday for our continued overview of First Corinthians.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS: This week we will begin a new series on the book of First Samuel. This fascinating book of the Old Testament covers the time of transition from the last of the judges to the first of the kings of Israel. The book shows how God can make use of lowly and ordinary people to do remarkable things for him. The class meets at 9:00 a.m. in the large meeting room upstairs. New faces are always welcome.

NO SATURDAY SERVICE August 21. There will be no Saturday family communion service on August 21 due to a wedding in the sanctuary.

PRESCHOOL CUSTODIAN: Fishers of Kids preschool is seeking part time cleaning help. This contracted position requires about two hours per week while preschool is in session. For more details, please see Pastor Erik.

HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS: Come join our High School Sunday School Class as we discover the truth of our lives in a new class called Genesis, Science, and the Founding Fathers. Ever wondered how science can confirm the Bible? Ever thought man, it would be cool if God's word actually had something to say about what we are finding in the world? Well now is the time to get involved and see how these two pieces actually go hand in hand. Along the way we will be reminded that God's word is the place where we should always start to make sense of our crazy cool life on this big blue planet!

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY FALL CLASS: Planning for the future is hard when you're still paying for the past! Listen—there's a better way! Join my Financial Peace University class, and we'll learn how to beat debt and make a plan for the future together! Interested? Join Pastor Erik at 117 E 10th St starting Tuesday, September 7, 2021. You can sign up and start a free trial of Financial Peace at fpu.com/1139123.

SUNDAY NIGHT DINNERS AT CUP OF GRACE: Sunday Night Dinners for our College Students, Young Adults, and anyone who wants to join us will start back up on August 22nd at 7:30 pm. If you would like to prepare a meal for our College Group a schedule for the Sunday Night Dinners has been created and placed in the kitchen in the church basement. Feel free to sign up or tell Pastor Erik that you would like to assist with these efforts.

THE CHOSEN BIBLE STUDY: Come join Pastor Erik in a new Sunday School class starting August 22nd, from 9:15am to 10:15am, as you learn what it means to be one of God's chosen people! We will watch the complete Season 1 of The Chosen, a groundbreaking television show about the life of Jesus, and after each episode we will dive deep into God's word with Bible Studies all centering around one question. "What Does It Mean to Be Chosen?"

FISHERS OF PRESCHOOL is in search of a volunteer to help out in the classroom. Doesn't have to be every day. Once a week would be fine. We are also in search of a substitute (would be paid) in the event Keila is sick or needs to take a day off. Would prefer a teaching degree/retired teacher or Early Childhood Education. Contact Sara Ruwe @ 402-369-2661 if you are interested in either position.

DISTRICT YOUTH GATHERING: will take place in LaVista, NE in November and is open for registration for all 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th Grade Youth. To reserve your spot please return a permission form and a \$105 check to the church office by September 25th. Hotel Fee and a couple of meals not included. More info to come soon. Check out <https://www.facebook.com/Nebraska.LCMS.MSYG/>

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ACOLYTES: Hallie Heithold & Drew Reinhardt (8:00)

Landen Sharer & Reese Rethwisch (10:30)

LAY READER: Hallie Heithold (8:00)

GREETERS: Jaret & Nicole Harmer (8:00) Tiedtke Family (10:30)

FISHERS OF KIDS PRESCHOOL: Teacher – Keila Olson – 402.584.2257

Director – Sara Ruwe – 402.369.2661

LUTHERAN HOUR SPONSOR: Ray, Theresa & Megan Jensen in memory of Matt

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY	8:00 am.	Worship
	9:15 am.	Sunday School
	10:30 am.	Rally Day Worship in Willow Bowl
WEDNESDAY	9:00 am.	Bible Study
NEXT SUNDAY	8:00 am.	Worship/Communion
	9:15 am.	Bible Study
	9:15 am.	Sunday School
	10:30 am.	Worship/Communion
	7:30 pm.	Sunday Night Dinner