



## Grace Lutheran Church

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### TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 17, 2021

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**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 worshiping 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.

**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:** To love and trust in earthly wealth is vanity. For nothing of this earth will last forever, nor can any of it grant eternal life (Eccl. 5:10). But the one who trusts in God is "*occupied with joy in his heart*" and is able to sleep in peace, "*whether he eats little or much,*" because he knows that the "*days of his life*" are "*the gift of God*" (Eccl. 5:12, 18–20). The person who trusts in riches cannot sleep, because he "*shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand*" (Eccl. 5:15). Therefore, it is difficult "*for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God*" (Mark 20:23). Indeed, it is impossible for man, yet "*all things are possible with God*" (Mark 20:27). Thus, the Rich Man, Jesus Christ, has made Himself poor and has gone through "*the eye of a needle,*" through death and the grave, "*to enter the kingdom of God*" on our behalf (Mark 20:24–25). He is the "*great high priest who has passed through the heavens*" (Heb. 4:14), so that we may now enter His Sabbath rest by faith in His forgiveness (Heb. 4:3–9).

**Order of Worship**  
**Service of Prayer and Preaching LSB 260**

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Greeting Time**

**Ringing of the Bell**

**Call to Worship** -- Preschool children -- 10:30 a.m.

**♪ Opening Hymn: “God Himself Is Present”**

*LSB 907*

- 1 God Himself is present: Let us now adore Him  
And with awe appear before Him.  
God is in His temple; All within keep silence;  
Humbly kneel in deepest rev’rence.  
He alone On His throne  
Is our God and Savior; Praise His name forever!**
  
- 2 God Himself is present: Hear the harps resounding;  
See the hosts the throne surrounding.  
“Holy, holy, holy!” Hear the hymn ascending,  
Songs of saints and angels blending.  
Bow Your ear To us here:  
Hear, O Christ, the praises That Your Church now raises.**
  
- 3 Fount of ev’ry blessing, Purify my spirit,  
Trusting only in Your merit.  
Like the holy angels, Worshiping before You,  
May I ceaselessly adore You.  
Let Your will Ever still  
Rule Your Church terrestrial As the hosts celestial.**

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**Opening Versicles**

**Ⓟ** 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 “Seek Ye First”

LSB 712

1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God, And His righteousness.  
And all these things shall be added unto you! Allelu, alleluia!

2 Ask and it shall be given unto you, Seek and ye shall find,  
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you, Allelu, alleluia!

3 Man does not live by bread alone, But by ev’ry word  
That proceeds from the mouth of the Lord, Allelu, alleluia!

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**Old Testament Reading**

*Ecclesiastes 5:10–20*

<sup>10</sup>He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. <sup>11</sup>When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? <sup>12</sup>Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep. <sup>13</sup>There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, <sup>14</sup>and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing

in his hand. <sup>15</sup>As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. <sup>16</sup>This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? <sup>17</sup>Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger. <sup>18</sup>Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. <sup>19</sup>Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. <sup>20</sup>For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Epistle

*Hebrews 4:1–13*

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. <sup>2</sup>For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. <sup>3</sup>For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said, “As I swore in my wrath, ‘They shall not enter my rest,’” although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. <sup>4</sup>For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.” <sup>5</sup>And again in this passage he said, “They shall not enter my rest.” <sup>6</sup>Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, <sup>7</sup>again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts.” <sup>8</sup>For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. <sup>9</sup>So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, <sup>10</sup>for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his. <sup>11</sup>Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. <sup>12</sup>For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

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## Holy Gospel

Mark 10:23–31

**P** The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the tenth chapter.

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

<sup>23</sup> Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God.” <sup>26</sup>And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, “Then who can be saved?” <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, “With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God.” <sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, “See, we have left everything and followed you.” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”

**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.**

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## Children's Message

♪ **Sermon Hymn: “What Is the World to Me”**

LSB 730

**1** **What is the world to me With all its vaunted pleasure  
When You, and You alone, Lord Jesus, are my treasure!  
You only, dearest Lord, My soul's delight shall be;  
You are my peace, my rest. What is the world to me!**

**2 The world seeks to be praised And honored by the mighty  
Yet never once reflects That they are frail and flighty.  
But what I truly prize Above all things is He,  
My Jesus, He alone. What is the world to me!**

**3 The world seeks after wealth And all that mammon offers  
Yet never is content Though gold should fill its coffers.  
I have a higher good, Content with it I'll be:  
My Jesus is my wealth. What is the world to me!**

**4 What is the world to me! My Jesus is my treasure,  
My life, my health, my wealth, My friend, my love, my pleasure,  
My joy, my crown, my all, My bliss eternally.  
Once more, then, I declare: What is the world to me!**

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**Sermon “Finishing Well”**

**Pastor Buchhorn**

**♪ Hymn of Response: “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”**

*LSB 770*

**1 What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry Ev'rything to God in prayer!  
Oh, what peace we often forfeit; Oh, what needless pain we bear—  
All because we do not carry Ev'rything to God in prayer!**

**2 Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged— Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness— Take it to the Lord in prayer.**

**3 Are we weak and heavy laden, Cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge— Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a solace there.**

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**Prayer**

**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** O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **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.

## 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.

## 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.

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## ♪ Closing Hymn: "Take My Life and Let It Be"

*LSB 783*

- 1 Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;  
Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2 Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love;  
Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee.
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing Always, only for my King;  
Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee.
- 4 Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold;  
Take my intellect and use Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.



**5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine;  
Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne.**

**6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store;  
Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee.**

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## **NEWS AND NOTES**

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

**BIRTHDAYS:** Kristin Echtenkamp, Cindy Evans, Paula Haisch, Derek Jareske, Caroline Endicott, Conner Hansen, Lisa Nelson, Yvonne Greenwald, Todd Beiermann, Mary Daum, Lora Heithold, Carol Wilke, Irvin Haisch, LaVerle Johnson, Valerie Knight, Brady Henderson, Judy Kruger, Connor Fox, Kalie Sprouls, Kris Stewart & Levi Trautman

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Lonnie & Pam Matthes and Brad & Kris Stewart

**LAST WEEK** our offerings were: \$4,968.

**ONLINE WORSHIP:** Livestream of our Sunday morning services is being offered each week. Check the church's website [www.gracewayne.com](http://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.

**NURSERY:** A nursery room has been created to help parents with young children. The nursery is located in the first room west of the upstairs fellowship hall. Please feel welcome to use the room to quiet your child.

**PARENTS OF LITTLE CHILDREN:** Books which your children may enjoy are available in book bags located near the doors at the east end of the sanctuary. Please return the books after the worship service. Thank you.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** As we gather today, we will study “The Poolside Sign.” For thirty-eight years, a paralyzed man has lain by the pool of Bethesda, hoping to enter it and receive healing. Jesus asks if he desires healing and then tells the man to take up his bed and walk. When the Jews see the man carrying his bed on the Sabbath, they question him about who told him to do this, but the man doesn’t know who Jesus is. After encountering Jesus at the temple, the man reports back to the Jewish leaders, who persecute Jesus. For those who cannot attend in person, visit <http://bit.ly/onlinesundayschool> to access an online video overview for Unit 7, Lesson 9 and additional family materials.

**LUTHERAN HOUR:** "He will Take It" -- Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler  
Dr. Michael Zeigler helps us to see God's wrath within the bigger story of God's love. Hear the "Lutheran Hour" message on KTCH AM next Sunday at 7:30 am.

**ADULT BIBLE CLASS:** Our Sunday morning pastor's class has begun a study of the Gospel of John. This book was written "that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name"(Jn. 20:31). Join us for this faith affirming and strengthening overview of this beloved book. We meet in the basement at 9:15 a.m.

**WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS:** What harm can a taste of honey do? Join us for our study of the book of First Samuel and see how it almost led to the death of a prince. The class meets Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. in the large meeting room upstairs and new faces are always welcome.

**THE LWML WAYNE ZONE** will be having their Fall Rally Tuesday, October 19th at St Paul, Winside. Registration will begin at 9:00-9:15. The rally will end around 3p.m. The theme will be "The Whole Heart at Prayer--Finding Feelings in the Psalms" based on Psalm 111:1. Pastor Jeff Warner pastor at Immanuel in Laurel will be our speaker. Our ingathering will be a monetary gift going to Doxology US--a worthwhile program that is beneficial for Pastors and congregations. All Ladies are invited to come for Bible Study and fellowship.

**FALL FESTIVAL** – Our Sunday School and MidWeek Teachers would like to invite all of you to a Fall Festival and Reformation Celebration October 30<sup>th</sup> here at church starting at 5:30PM! The evening will be filled with games, activities, candy, and opportunities to learn about the significance of the Reformation that took place in 1517 for our church! Come join us as we watch and learn about Martin Luther and his important work in

bringing us back to Faith Alone through Scripture Alone by Grace Alone! At 6:30pm in the church basement we will watch the movie Martin Luther God Loves You which is suitable for families with youngest of children. And then at 7pm we will watch the 2013 movie Luther which is rated PG-13 and suitable for older youth and their parents. Be sure to invite your friends and family for a great evening with loads of fun!

**ALASKA MISSION FOR CHRIST MISSION TRIP TO CAMP BINGLE** – If you love a great adventure, being in God’s beautiful outdoors, serving other people, and are at least 18 years old then you can’t beat a weeklong trip to the Last Frontier at Camp Bingle! Join Pastor Erik and the team on this amazing Mission Trip that is currently being scheduled for May 14<sup>th</sup> thru May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022! At Camp Bingle, which is located on Harding Lake and an hour from Fairbanks, we will be doing Habitat for Humanity type construction work, as well as regular maintenance on already existing structures. This trip is open to all skill levels from complete novices in construction to those who have made a career in the field. The total cost for this trip would be approximately \$700 including airfare to Fairbanks, transportation to and from Camp Bingle, food, and lodging. There is a requirement of a \$100 deposit to secure your spot on the trip. That deposit should be turned into Pastor Erik by December 5<sup>th</sup> along with a medical release form that he will get to you upon request. Lastly, Alaska Mission for Christ requires that all who serve in this opportunity be fully vaccinated by the time they arrive in Alaska. For further details please speak to Pastor Erik about this opportunity as well as the chance to visit Pastor Carl and Darlene Lilienkamp in Anchorage at the end of the week. The cost of this portion of the trip is not included in the price above, but plans are being made for cost effective lodging to assist during that time as well. Again, our hope is we can take a great group of adventurous people who are ready to serve our neighbors in the north!

**HALLOWAYNE 5K** –If you are interested in helping the Jr High and High School Youth pass out water and other snacks to those participating in the HalloWayne 5K run/walk on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10am please contact Pastor Erik or the Church Office. This wonderful even is being held by the Wayne FFA, and all proceeds for this run are going to support Adam and Ashley Hoffmann as they care for their children Cole and Isla. This is a fantastic way to support some of our church members in a time of need, and we would be glad to have you join us in this effort. You can also register to run or walk in this event by visiting [RUNREG.COM/HALLOWAYNE-5k](https://www.runreg.com/hallowayne-5k).

## **PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP**

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Pastor Emeritus: Pastor Carl Lilienkamp

**ELDER ON DUTY:** Troy Stowater (8:00) Lonnie Matthes (10:30)

**ACOLYTES:** Brodrick Tiedtke & Emma Heithold (8:00)

Lanee Rethwisch & Cloey Young (10:30)

**LAY READER:** (8:00) Galen Wiser (10:30)

**GREETERS:** LeRoy & Carol Robbert (8:00)

Galen & Kathy Wiser (10:30)

**FISHERS OF KIDS PRESCHOOL:** Teacher – Keila Olson – 402.584.2257

Director – Sara Ruwe – 402.369.2661

**LUTHERAN HOUR SPONSOR:** In memory of Robert & Shirley Bergt

## **THIS WEEK AT GRACE**

<b>TODAY</b>	8:00 am.	Worship
	9:15 am.	Sunday School
	9:15 am.	Bible Class
	10:30 am.	Worship
<b>MONDAY</b>	6:00 pm.	Choir
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	9:00 am.	Bible Study
	5:00 pm.	Bell Choir
	6:30 pm.	Midweek
	7:45 pm.	High School Class
<b>THURSDAY</b>		<b>Pastors' Conference</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>		<b>Pastors' Conference</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	4:00 pm.	Family Communion
<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>	8:00 am.	Worship/Communion
	9:15 am.	Bible Study
	9:15 am.	Sunday School
	10:30 am.	Worship/Communion