

Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 23, 2019

9:00 A.M.

WELCOME TO GRACE

Prelude

Word of Welcome

Hymn Sing

'God Is Here!' vs 1 & 4 **526**

'For the Beauty of the Earth' vs 1, 2 & 5 **879**

stand as you are able

'Rise, Shine, You People!' vs 1, 3 & 4 **665**

Greeting

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

please be seated

Hymn of Praise

'Voices Raised to You' vs 1 & 5 **845**

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray
O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

First Reading

Isaiah 65:1-9

¹I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I



said, "Here I am, here I am," to a nation that did not call on my name. ²I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; ³a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; ⁴who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; ⁵who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. ⁶See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps ⁷their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. ⁸Thus says the LORD: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it," so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. ⁹I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

Second Reading

Galatians 3:23-29

²³Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸There is no longer Jew or Greek, there

is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.
²⁹And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

stand as you are able

Gospel Acclamation 'Alleluia' p. 142
Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 8th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Holy Gospel Luke 8:26-39

²⁶Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee.
²⁷As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—²⁹for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. ³¹They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. ³²Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the

demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. ³⁴When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹“Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

P The Gospel of the Lord.
C Praise to you, O Christ.

please be seated
Sermon

Hymn of the Day
'Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness' **843**

stand as you are able
Apostles' Creed p. 105

Prayers of Intercession

Petitions end:

A let us pray.
C Have mercy, O God.
P Merciful God, you hear the prayers of your people even before they are spoken. We

commend these and all our prayers to you,
trusting in your abundant mercy; through
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

Peace *The people greet one another saying:
"Peace be with you".*

please be seated

Offering

stand as you are able

Offertory

'Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow' **884**

Offering Prayer

A Blessed are you, O God,

**C for the greening earth given for all, for the
talents we are given to share, and for this
bread and wine. Transform us to be the
body of Christ, that, feasting on this food
and drink, our lives may reflect your
generosity; through Christ our Lord.
Amen**

Great Thanksgiving p. 144

Lord's Prayer p. 145

please be seated

Distribution of Holy Communion

*Come to the communion rail by the center aisle
and return by the side aisle. You may kneel or stand.
Wine is in the common cup and tray of individual cups. If
you prefer grape juice, ask the server. Children are
invited for a blessing. All are welcome who believe Christ
is present in this meal for the forgiveness of sins.*

Hymns at the Distribution

'Lamb of God' p. 146
'Let Us Break Bread Together' **471**
'Lord, Be Glorified' **744**

stand as you are able

Table Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

A O God, in this holy communion

C you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord. Amen

Blessing

P Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the holy Trinity, † one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.

C Amen

Sending Hymn

'On Our Way Rejoicing'

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Dismissal

A Go in peace. Christ is sending you.

C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Prayer Huddle

Worship Assistants: June 23

Greeters: Mason – Nita Williams
East – Mary Wheeler

Assisting Minister: Laury Grow

Lector: Laury Grow

Communion: Marty Grow

Ushers: Marty Grow, Laury Grow, Brian Klauer,
Kathy Lanska

Organist: Diane Bailey

Attendance 06/16/19: 9:00 - 58

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Welcome to Grace

*Whether you are a member or visiting for the first
time, may God's grace surround you today.
There is a guest book to sign in the gathering area.
If you are looking for a church home,
you are welcome here.*

In Prayer this Week

For members on the Care List especially Ellen Holz.

For Healing Tom Jensen; Mardie Paalman, Cookie Regal's sister; Winston Augustus Smith, Cheryl Muggenthaler's nephew; Mary Langdon, Cheryl Muggenthaler's sister-in-law; Rev. Jennie Johnson Wrege; Valerie Sieg; Marvin Wrege; Sharon Meier; Margaret Congdon; Mike VerKuilen; Lloyd Learman; Charlotte Endorf; Marian Breitenfeldt; Bev; Jim Marks; Darlene, Linda Grebe's mom; Judy Cross; Debra Ragen; Tom Muggenthaler; Sherry Nymoan; Gene Krull; Ron Bailey; Angela; Ole Olson; Gerry Kerwell; Joyce.

For those with cancer especially Ellie; Mark Catlin; Kenny Verdegan; Karen Krull; Louie Dumke.

“Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.” Romans 12:12



If you have a Prayer Chain request, please contact Mary Hubers (731-1428) or Susan Pringnitz (733-7591). Call the church office with requests for prayer to be put in the bulletin and/or to ask for a prayer to be relayed to the Prayer Chain.

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Announcements

Thank you for **signing the card** each week on the table in the Narthex that are mailed out to the homebound members.

Fox Valley Lutheran Homes: Apartments for rent: 1 & 2 BR; Call Katie at 734-7225.

New Officers and those staying on starting July 1st

Elected at Semi-Annual Meeting June 9th & June 16.

President	Mark Balkman
Vice-President	Susan Anderson
Secretary	Laury Grow
Treasurer	Cookie Regal
Christian Education	Jon Seidl –Council Rep (Lois Hilger –Chairman)
Property	Robbie Johnson
Worship and Music	Becky Luett
Director of Finance	Dennis Pringnitz

We have a full board!! Thank you to all who stepped forward and volunteered! Awesome! Please keep them all uplifted in your prayers as they start or continue their journey.

There is a **sign up sheet** on the table in the narthex to sign up to **bring treats** for hospitality time after the service. Please help and sign up today.

Check out the **Grace Web**

Site www.gracelutheranappleton.org for updated information about our congregation. We also have a new feature – Daily Devotions. Every day a new devotion is on our website. Check them out!

Ruby's Pantry is a faith based organization that is for everyone who eats. It is not government funded. You can receive one portion (this equals 2 laundry baskets full of food) for every \$20.00 spent and you can get more than one portion, just bring extra baskets for your food. You normally get pizza, frozen food, canned goods, meats, bread and other assorted items (could be toilet paper or napkins, etc). In the Appleton area Ruby's is located at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church at N1615 Meadowview Drive in Greenville WI 54942. They distribute food the first Saturday of the month. There is some information available on the table in the narthex. Even if you don't need everything they offer, it can be shared with people who can use it like our **Faith In Action** bags or our **Blessing Box** for nonperishable items.

Flowers in Church

The Altar Guild has a Flower Chart by the Nursery door near the East stairway in the narthex for those who may want to donate an arrangement of live flowers for worship on any Sunday. Please put your name next to the date you would like and contact Karen Krull, 739-3880 or Diane Bailey, 734-9076 to get the details. You may want to recognize a special birthday or anniversary coming up or just order them for any Sunday.

Summer School Bible Club

Grace Lutheran Church

June 25 and July 9, 16

Bring the Grandkids!

12:30pm - 1:00pm

Bible Stories, Singing, Learning, & Fun

for all age levels

Summer office hours:

The church building will be open from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm Monday thru Thursday subject to change. Normal office hours Tuesday and Wednesday 10:00 am -2:00 pm. It is probably best to call ahead.

Devotional Books

The 3rd quarter 2019 Devotional Books are here and on the table in the narthex. Please pick them up and enjoy. If you visit a homebound individual, please take one or both to them as well.

5-Stones, Appleton and Stop Human Trafficking - Oshkosh are hosting '**A Conversation about Sex Trafficking**' with Theresa Flores September 13th and 14th. Theresa Flores is the best-selling author of "The Slave Across the Street," a survivor of sex trafficking and nationally known advocate. This is a free event for the community.

Friday September 13 will be at the campus of U of W, Oshkosh at the Reeve Memorial Union, Theater 3. Doors open at 5:30, and Theresa will speak from 6:30-8 PM.

Saturday September 14 will be at the M.J. Bordini Center FVTC, Appleton. This event will include several breakout sessions, and a discussion session with Theresa. Doors will open at 8:00 AM with Theresa speaking at 9-10:30 AM. Theresa will be selling and signing her books.

A flyer is on the bulletin board by the back door.

GRACE FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, June 23..... 9:00 a.m. Worship
Monday, June 247:30 pm AA Meeting
Tuesday, June 25 12:30-1:00 pm Bible Stories
Wednesday, June 26.....9:00 a.m. Bible Study
6:30 pm Worship
6:45 p.m. AA Meeting
Thursday, June 27.....
Friday, June 28 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
Saturday, June 29.....9:00 a.m. Hmong Service
7:00 p.m. Potter’s House Worship
Sunday, June 30..... 9:00 a.m. Worship

God
ALWAYS
KEEPS HIS Promises

