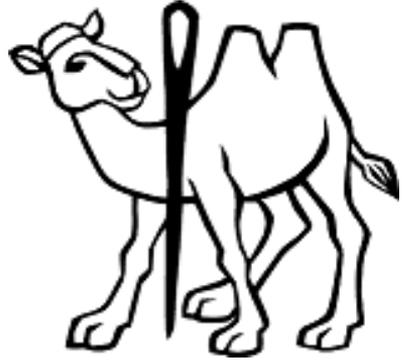


Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
October 14, 2018
8:30 A.M.



WELCOME TO GRACE

Prelude

Word of Welcome

stand as you are able

Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the † holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again.

C Amen

P Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

silence for reflection and self-examination

P Source of all life,

C we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen

P God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, † God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's

people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.

C Amen

Gathering Hymn

'God of Grace and God of Glory'

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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

Opening Sentences (*Psalm 100*)

A Be joyful in the Lord, all the earth;

**C serve the Lord with gladness,
and come before his presence with a
song.**

A Our Lord is God, who created us;

C we are the people of his grace.

A Come into his gates with thanksgiving,
and into his courts with praise.

**C Let him purge our hearts to bless his holy
name.**

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray
Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us
your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies
behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we
may follow the way of your commandments
and receive the crown of everlasting joy,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

First Reading

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

⁶Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

⁷Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

¹⁰They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. ¹²For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. ¹³Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

¹⁴Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. ¹⁵Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

Second Reading

Hebrews 4:12-16

¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God,

let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

stand as you are able

Gospel Acclamation

'Alleluia'

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P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Holy Gospel

Mark 10:17-31

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" ²⁰He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. ²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus

said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible." ²⁸Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." ²⁹Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

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

please be seated

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

'Take My Life, That I May Be'

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Apostles' Creed

p. 105

Prayers of Intercession

Petitions end:

A Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Enfold all things in your compassion, O God,
and bring us into your life through the

faithfulness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

Peace

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

please be seated

Offering

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Offertory 'Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful' **182**

Offering Prayer

A God of life,

C you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light. Amen

Great Thanksgiving pp. 152-153

Lord's Prayer p. 154

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.154

'God Extends an Invitation' (*sing twice*) **486**

'Son of God, Eternal Savior' **655**

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Table Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

A Holy and compassionate God,
C **in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer. Amen**

Blessing

Sending Hymn (Tune #836)

'God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending'

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Dismissal

A Go in peace. Share the good news.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

**Congregation Conversation Meeting
Prayer Huddle (in the PAC after meeting)**

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Lector: Tom Jensen

Communion 8:30: Ron Bailey

Communion 10:30: Luann Seidl

Ushers: John Kading, Bob Waldron, Ed Kerwell

Organist: Diane Bailey

Attendance 10/07/18: 8:30 - 47 10:30 – 19

H.S. Grilled Cheese Lunch: 10/04/18 – 132

Fox Valley Lutheran Homes: Look for our poster about the Vacation – Sports – Quilt Auction! Tell your friends and family! Bring them to it. Help us put a new roof over the heads of our tenants! There is a poster on the bulletin board by the parking lot entrance. They will have two BIG vacation trips available for people, so start thinking about it now! How about a 4-night all-inclusive stay at the Hyatt Ziva in Los Cabos, Mexico, with airfare for 2? Maybe you'd prefer a long weekend in New York City, with your choice of a Broadway show, dinner, and a 3-night stay with airfare for 2. There will also be Green Bay Packer related things, golfing certificates from Chaska, Mid Vallee, and Bridgewood, Wisconsin Herd tickets, restaurant certificates. It will take place **TODAY** at the Riverview Gardens, 1101 S. Oneida St., Appleton. The live auction will begin at 2 P.M. that day. We will have the items pictured on our website for approximately one month ahead of time so that you can view them, so go to www.fvlhomes.org and check them out. If you cannot be there the day of the auction, contact Becky Luett to leave a bid!

In Prayer this Week

For members on the Care List especially James DeBaal and Pastor Jim Seim.

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; Jerry Wilharms; Mike VerKuilen; Rylene Houterman; Lloyd Learman; Charlotte Endorf; Ron Bailey; Kay Elliott; James DeBaal; Bernie Hobbs; Marian Breitenfeldt; Bev.

For those with cancer especially Ellie; Mark Catlin; Kenny Verdegan; Carol Baumbach, Dottie Frankie.

“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 cards** each week on the table in the Narthex that are mailed out to the homebound members.

Fox Valley Lutheran Homes: Volunteers always appreciated: If you like to visit with people, work in the yard, help with property projects, help in the kitchen, bake once in a while, drive people to appointments, play games... Call 734-7225; ask for Becky, Katie or Cheryl, and we'll find the perfect spot for you to help make a difference at Fox Valley Lutheran Homes

If you or a family member are **hospitalized**, please give Pastor Dan a call and let him know. We don't always get a call from the hospital to let the church know.

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

The 4th quarter **Devotional Books** are on the table in the narthex. Please take yours home today.

We will have a **Special Congregation Meeting** on Sunday October 21 at 9:30 am. There will be only 2 items on the agenda. We will be voting on bids to repair the air compressor that controls the thermostats for the boiler and repairs for the leaking in the Library. Please plan on attending this short meeting.

A huge thank you to all the **Quilters and helpers** who worked on the making the quilts throughout the year. We have shipped approximately 260 quilts thru Lutheran World Relief from just our congregation.

All Saints' Sunday: On Sunday, November 4, 2018 we will be celebrating All Saints' Day during worship. If you have a loved one who has passed away since the last All Saints' Day, please contact the office by email Grace54914@gmail.com or call the church office 733-9135. We need the correct spelling and the date of death. We will also include the names of those recently baptized in the last year, again we need correct spelling and dates. We will need these names and dates no later than Sunday October 28th.

Just a reminder Grace is no longer collecting **Plastic caps and lids** as the recycling source stopped doing it. Thank you.

Do you know we have a **Grace Visitor group**? About a dozen of your fellow members have committed to visiting and praying for a specific member on a regular basis. Talk to Sharon Meier if you would like to hear more about this ministry that allows you to build a relationship with someone new. Remember, it's God's work, but our hands.

Trunk-or-treat events bring Halloween to parking lots where kids go from car to car and get candy. It is coming to Grace Lutheran Church! October 28th 11:15 to 12:30. Contact loishilger419@gmail.com or 920-850-0111 with questions or to tell her you would love to participate!

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.*

GRACE FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, October 14..... 8:30 a.m. Worship
9:25 am Sunday School
9:30 am Congregation Conversation
10:30 am Worship

Monday, October 15.....7:30 p.m. AA Meeting
*****Newsletter Articles due*****

Tuesday, October 16 8:30 am Quilting

Wednesday, October 17.....9:00 a.m. Bible Study
6:30 p.m. Worship
6:30 pm Council
6:45 p.m. AA Meeting

Thursday, October 18.....10:00 am Grilled Cheese

Friday, October 19..... 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
(Meeting at Heritage)

Saturday, October 20.....9:00 a.m. Hmong Service
7:00 p.m. Potter’s House Worship

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