

**Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**October 20, 2019**  
**9:30 A.M.**

**WELCOME TO GRACE**

**Prelude**

**Word of Welcome**



*stand as you are able*

**Confession and Forgiveness**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the strength of our ancestors, the host of this meal, the builder of the city that is to come.

**C Amen**

P If we have died with Christ, we will also live with Christ. Let us confess our sin to the one who is faithful.

*silence for reflection and self-examination*

P God our helper,

**C we confess the many ways we have failed to live as your disciples. We have not finished what we began. We have feasted with friends but ignored strangers. We have been captivated by our possessions. Lift our burdens, gracious God. Refresh our hearts and forgive our sin. Raise us to the new life you have chosen for us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

P There is rejoicing in heaven when sinners repent. Put your trust in these promises: God will never leave you or forsake you. You who were lost have been found. For the sake of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Rejoice with the angels at this good news.

**C Amen**

**Gathering Hymn 'This Is My Father's World' 824**

**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**

A Let us declare the greatness of God:

**C who fills the earth with beauty,**

A causes the sea to shout praise

**C and the birds to sing glory.**

A Great and loving is our God:

**C touching us in our need,**

A sending friends to listen and embrace,

**C giving food in all seasons with abundant grace.**

A Wondrous and compassionate is our God:

**C guarding us as the apple of God's eye,**

A holding us with infinite and tender care,

**C setting our hearts on fire, our minds to new possibilities and our voices to singing.**

**Prayer of the Day**

P Let us pray

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen**

## **First Reading**

Genesis 32:22-31

<sup>22</sup>The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. <sup>23</sup>He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. <sup>24</sup>Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. <sup>25</sup>When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. <sup>26</sup>Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." <sup>27</sup>So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." <sup>28</sup>Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." <sup>29</sup>Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. <sup>30</sup>So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." <sup>31</sup>The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

L The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **Second Reading**

2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:5

<sup>14</sup>But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, <sup>15</sup>and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup>All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup>so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

<sup>4:1</sup>In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: <sup>2</sup>proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. <sup>3</sup>For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, <sup>4</sup>and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. <sup>5</sup>As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

*stand as you are able*

**Gospel Acclamation** 'Alleluia' **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 18th chapter.

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

**Holy Gospel**

Luke 18:1-8

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. <sup>2</sup>He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. <sup>3</sup>In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' <sup>4</sup>For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, <sup>5</sup>yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" <sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. <sup>7</sup>And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? <sup>8</sup>I tell you,

he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

P The Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

*please be seated*

**Children's Sermon**

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day**

'Lord, Teach Us How to Pray Aright'

**745**

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**Apostles' Creed**

p. 105

**Prayers of Intercession**

*Petitions end:*

A Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P Trusting and delighting in you, we commend all our lives into your loving hands. We offer these prayers in the name of 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 God our provider,

**C we bring nothing into this world and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us, which we bring to your table, and with them the**

**offering of our lives. Nourish us now with the life that really is life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

### **Great Thanksgiving**

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **Words of Institution**

#### **Lord's Prayer**

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*please be seated*

#### **Distribution of Holy Communion**

*Communion, this morning, will be by intinction. The ushers will direct you to the front, first the pulpit side and then lectern side. Come up using the center aisle and return by the side aisle. Wine will be in the larger portion and grape juice in the smaller portion of the chalice. Gluten free wafers available by request. 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
'What a Friend We Have in Jesus'	<b>742</b>
'O Lord, Hear My Prayer' ( <i>sing twice</i> )	<b>751</b>
'Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me'	<b>767</b>

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#### **Table Blessing**

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

A God of blessing,

**C at this table we have seen you face to face, and in the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed.**

**Send us now to shine with your goodness  
and bear witness to the one we have  
received: Jesus Christ, our Savior and  
Lord. Amen**

**Blessing**

P Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless you now and forever.

**C Amen**

**Sending Hymn** 'Now Thank We All Our God' **840**

**Dismissal**

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

**Prayer Huddle**

**All Saints' Sunday:** On Sunday, November 3, 2019 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](mailto: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 Monday October 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Worship Assistants: October 20th**

**Greeters:** Mason – Mary Boldt  
East – Verla Koerner/Sue Anderson

**Assisting Minister:** Becky Luett

**Lector:** Marilyn Catlin

**Communion:** Gene Krull

**Ushers:** John Kading, Bob Waldron

**Accompanist:** Lois Hilger

**Attendance 10/13/19:** 9:30 – 60

**Grilled Cheese Lunch: 10/10/19:** 115

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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 Marv Wrege.***

***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; Tom Muggenthaler; Gene Krull; Ole Olson; Gerry Kerwell; Joyce; Jackie Lindmair; Ken and Edna; Paula; Ron Williams.

***For those with cancer especially Ellie; Mark Catlin; Kenny Verdegan; Louie Dumke; Mary Brown; Sam Strong.***

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



*If you have a Prayer Chain request, please contact Mary Hubers (422-1090) 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.

Check out the **Grace Web Site**

[www.gracelutheranappleton.org](http://www.gracelutheranappleton.org) for updated information about our congregation. We also have a feature – Daily Devotions. Every day a new devotion is on our website. Check them out!

**Pillars** is currently in need of the following items: Pillows, Laundry baskets, Dryer sheets, 55 gallon garbage bags, Paper towel, Breakfast cereal  
Items may be dropped off at Pillars Adult & Family Shelter located at 400 N Division Street in Appleton. Pillars Adult & Family Shelter is open 24/7.  
Thank you for your support!

**Devotional Books** are available on the table in the narthex. Take yours today and also those who visit the homebound people, please take and deliver those also.

There is a need for **ushers**. If you can sign up (call the office) for a whole month, that would be great. If not, please check in when you come to church and see if help is needed. Thank you in advance.

**Reformation Sunday** is next Sunday October 27th. We celebrate this by wearing **RED** on this Sunday. Please join us!

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.

# FALL FESTIVAL

Food, Fun, and Games

It's not too early to begin planning for **OCTOBER 27, 2019!** This will be our Congregational Fall Festival. After 10:30 Sunday School, members are invited to participate in a **Delicious Potluck Lunch at 11:30 and bring a dish to pass.** We are asking members to sign up to run a table in the Parish Activity Center. This can be a game you already have, like Corn Toss or something you can put together like the ideas below. We want all Grace members and our Sun. School students to have a blast playing games and getting candy!



Please join us on **Saturday, October 26th.** It is **National Make a Difference Day.** **Appleton West** is organizing a neighborhood event. If you know of neighbors that need help with fall yard cleanup or you need help yourself, send us an email so we have a list of those in need. Are you willing to help a neighbor? This is the link to sign up to volunteer to help out.  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050a4ca8ab29aafb6-make>

They will be meeting here at Grace Lutheran Church at 10:00 am. Followed by raking and then Joining our neighbors for some bonding & eat at 11:30 am. The potluck to follow to enjoy each other's company and try each other's favorite dish! Everyone is welcome with or without a dish to pass. The kids will have a playground and we will have pumpkins to paint as a family event. Looking forward to seeing you all! Please let us know how we can work together to make our great neighborhood greater!!

## GRACE FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday, Oct 20** ..... 9:30 a.m. Worship  
10:30 a.m. Sunday School  
6:00 p.m. Potter's House Worship

**Monday, Oct 21** .....7:30 pm AA Meeting

**Tuesday, Oct 22** .....8:30 am Quilters  
\*\*\*Newsletter Articles due\*\*\*

**Wednesday, Oct 23** ..... 9:00 am Bible Study  
6:45 p.m. AA Meeting  
6:30 pm Worship

**Thursday, Oct 24** .....

**Friday, Oct 25** ..... 9:00 a.m. Bible Study

**Saturday, Oct 26** .....9:00 a.m. Hmong Service

**Sunday, Oct 27** ..... 9:30 a.m. Worship  
10:30 am Sunday School  
11:30 am Fall Festival  
6:00 p.m. Potter's House Worship

# PRAYER

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