

# Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 25, 2017

Order of Worship 9:00 A.M.



## WELCOME TO GRACE

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

*Stand as you are able.*

### Confession and Forgiveness

P We Confess Our Need for the Water of Life  
C **God, our spirits are dry. The well that has supplied our ambition and motivation is empty. We are tired of trying to do it alone and acknowledge our need for you. Water of life – Spirit of truth – allow us to drink freely from your never ending supply of life. We sin and we are sorry, we fail and we need forgiveness, we search for love yet remain lonely. Fountain of life, you know our needs and our shortcomings – allow us to drink freely from your never ending supply of life.**

P We Receive the Water of Life  
Here is the Good News! Jesus has come into the world to shower us with the water of freedom and forgiveness. God has not left us alone, but surrounded us with love through the community of believers and filled us with love through the Holy Spirit. God fills us with the water of life until we overflow to those around us. Jesus has

given the true gift of love in his death and his resurrection. Our spirit has been joined to god's Spirit which fills us and lives through us.

**C Praise God for the water of life!  
Thanks be to God.**

*Be seated.*

### **Gathering Hymns**

'God Is Here!' vs 1 & 2	<b>526</b>
'Lord, Be Glorified'	<b>744</b>
'For the Beauty of the Earth' vs 1, 3, & 5	<b>879</b>

### **Greeting**

#### **Opening Litany**

A Let all who seek to serve the Lord come together this day.

**C Let those with many gifts and those with few, worship the Lord.**

A It is not how many gifts that matters,

**C but it is love in our hearts that is pleasing in the eyes of God.**

A Then let our love sound forth as we lift our voices in praise and song.

**C Blessed be the name of the Lord!**

#### **Prayer of the Day**

P Let us pray

Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen**

## First Reading

Jeremiah 20:7-13

<sup>7</sup>O LORD, you have enticed me,  
and I was enticed;  
you have overpowered me,  
and you have prevailed.

I have become a laughingstock all day long;  
everyone mocks me.

<sup>8</sup>For whenever I speak, I must cry out,  
I must shout, "Violence and destruction!"  
For the word of the LORD has become for me  
a reproach and derision all day long.

<sup>9</sup>If I say, "I will not mention him,  
or speak any more in his name,"  
then within me there is something like a  
burning fire shut up in my bones;  
I am weary with holding it in,  
and I cannot.

<sup>10</sup>For I hear many whispering:  
"Terror is all around!  
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"  
All my close friends  
are watching for me to stumble.

"Perhaps he can be enticed,  
and we can prevail against him,  
and take our revenge on him."

<sup>11</sup>But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior;  
therefore my persecutors will stumble,  
and they will not prevail.

They will be greatly shamed,  
for they will not succeed.

Their eternal dishonor  
will never be forgotten.

<sup>12</sup>O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous,  
you see the heart and the mind;  
let me see your retribution upon them,  
for to you I have committed my cause.

<sup>13</sup>Sing to the LORD;  
praise the LORD!

For he has delivered the life of the needy  
from the hands of evildoers.

L The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God**

**Second Reading**

Romans 6:1b-11

<sup>1b</sup>Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup>For whoever has died is freed from sin. <sup>8</sup>But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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. Matthew, the 10th chapter.

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

**Holy Gospel**

Matthew 10:24-39

[Jesus said to the twelve:] <sup>24</sup>“A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; <sup>25</sup>it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

<sup>26</sup>“So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. <sup>27</sup>What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. <sup>28</sup>Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup>And even the hairs of your head are all counted. <sup>31</sup>So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

<sup>32</sup>“Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; <sup>33</sup>but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

<sup>34</sup>“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

<sup>35</sup>For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; <sup>36</sup>and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household.

<sup>37</sup>Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or

daughter more than me is not worthy of me; <sup>38</sup>and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup>Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Be seated.*

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day**

*'O God, My Faithful God'*

**806**

*Stand as you are able.*

**Apostles' Creed**

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**Installation of Council Members**

Tom Jensen: President

Cheryl Muggenthaler: Vice President

Laury Grow: Secretary

Dennis Pringnitz: Treasurer

Rev. Jennie Johnson Wrege

Jon Seidl

**Prayers of Intercession**

*Petitions end:*

A Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P All these things, and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your care through Christ our Lord.

**C Amen**

**Peace**

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

*Be seated.*

## **Offering**

*Stand as you are able.*

**Offertory**      *'Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful'*      184

## **Offering Prayer**

A Merciful God,

**C you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen**

**Great Thanksgiving**      p. 144

**Lord's Prayer**      p. 145

*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. Gluten free wafers are available on 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**

<i>'Lamb of God'</i>	p. 146
<i>'One Bread, One Body'</i>	<b>496</b>
<i>'Children of the Heavenly Father'</i>	<b>781</b>

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## **Table Blessing**

## **Post Communion Prayer**

A Jesus Christ, host of this meal,

**C you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore.  
Amen**

## **Blessing**

**Sending Hymn**    *'Have No Fear, Little Flock'*    **764**

## **Dismissal**

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **Postlude**

## **Prayer Huddle**

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## **Worship Assistants: June 25**

**Greeters:** Mason – Sharon & Bob Meier  
East – Joyce Learman / Kathy Lanska

**Assisting Minister:** Tom Jensen

**Lector:** Brian Klauer

**Communion:** Marty Grow

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

**Accompanist:** Diane Bailey

**Attendance 6/18: 68**

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## ***In Prayer this Week***

***For members on the Care List*** especially Henry Schoenborn and Pastor Jim Seim.

***For Healing*** for 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; Val Sieg; Marvin Wrege; Sharon Meier; Margaret Congdon; Jerry Wilharms; Ron Bailey.

***For those with cancer*** especially Melissa Heins, Gene and Karen Krull's daughter; Mark Catlin; Robyn Messenger, Deb Baumbach's sister; Roger Schmidt; Bob Blaskowski; Marian Breitenfeldt.

**“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.*

## **Announcements**

**Altar Flowers** are given this morning in honor of Joyce & Lloyd Learman's 46<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on June 25. The rose is for our son Tony's birthday on the 26<sup>th</sup>. Tony would have been 44.

**The Addie Elias family** thanks the members of Grace for their prayers, love and kindness toward Addie, and also remembering Addie's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. A plant has been shared with Grace in Addie's memory.

**Wednesday Bible Study:** A combined Grace & Trinity bible study is being held on Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the church kitchen. The study is based on the revised common lectionary texts which are used by Grace each Sunday at worship. Treats and coffee are shared in addition to lively conversation about the scriptures.

**Educational Offering at FVLH – Hearing Loss**  
On Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> an audiologist will speak about the variety of hearing losses at 10:30 a.m. in the Linwood Commons at Fox Valley Lutheran Homes. In addition, there will be a general discussion on how to address hearing loss including types of hearing aids. Please call 734-7225 to register before June 23rd.

The **Church Office** will be closed on Monday, July 3 and Tuesday, July 4. Enjoy your Independence Day!

**Homeless Connections** *27<sup>th</sup> Annual Garden Walk*  
Saturday, July 15 from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Pre-event ticket price: \$15 / Day-of ticket price: \$20  
Visit [www.homelessconnections.net](http://www.homelessconnections.net) to purchase tickets or for more information.

## **GRACE FOR THE WEEK**

**Sunday, June 25**.....9:00 a.m. Worship  
10:00 a.m. Grace Visitor Meeting  
12:30 p.m. Appleton Pentecostal Assembly (APA)

**Monday, June 26**.....7:30 p.m. AA Meeting

**Tue, June 27**.....12:30 p.m. Summer Sch. Bible Club  
6:30 p.m. Trinity Council Mtg  
6:30 p.m. Fox Valley Chorus

**Wed., June 28**.....9:00 a.m. Bible Study  
6:30 p.m. TLC Worship  
6:45 p.m. AA Meeting  
7:00 p.m. APA Bible Study

**Thu., June 29**.....6:30 p.m. Fox Sounds

**Friday, June 30**.....9:00 a.m. Bible Study

**Saturday, July 1**.....9:00 a.m. Hmong Service

**Sunday, July 2**.....9:00 a.m. Worship

### ***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.*