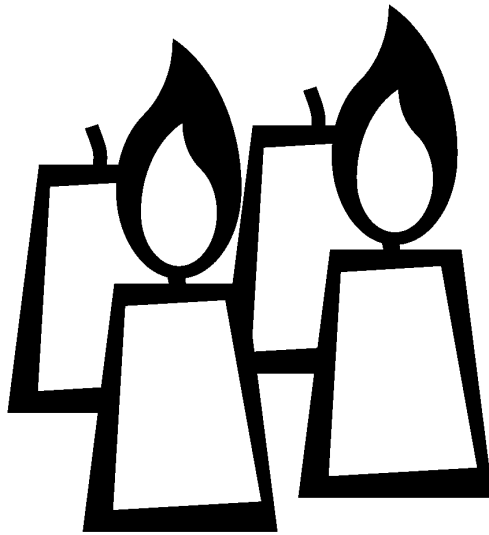


2nd Sunday of Advent



December 8, 2024

Welcome to Grace

We give thanks that you have come to worship with us at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, and pray that you will receive God's awesome GRACE, mercy and love as we receive Word and Sacrament, the means of grace!

We invite our guests and visitors to worship with us often! If you will, please complete a visitor information sheet and/or record your visit in the red attendance book found in each aisle. Visitor/Member Information sheets may be returned to the pastor or an usher.

The complete worship service is contained in this worship folder. Large print worship folders and Busy Bags for our very young worshipers are available from the ushers! We love having children in worship! Should parents have need of nursery during worship, our professionally staffed nursery for childcare is available. Please see an usher for directions.

Our worship space is equipped with a hearing assistance system to accommodate those with hearing difficulties. Please ask the sound technician (at the rear left of the worship space) for a receiver, if desired. Printed copies of the sermon are available in the info kiosk, if desired.

Please remember to turn off or silence personal communication devices. We ask that you not bring food or drink into the worship space.

In accordance with the Biblical mandate and our Lutheran tradition, we seek to worship God "in Spirit and in truth...for these the Father seeks to worship him!" (John 4:23-24). If you are not familiar with liturgical worship, it is "the work of the people," as God speaks, the ministers speak and the congregation responds in a spoken, chanted and sung dialogue! Everything in our worship is focused on God and His incarnate, embodied presence in our midst! We pray that you will experience the Word made flesh as we worship today!

To establish and maintain a spirit of reverence, we remind worshipers to please greet one another and fellowship in the gathering space before entering the sanctuary, where others will be preparing their hearts and minds for worship. We appreciate your understanding!

Little Lambs Children's Ministry is available at either worship service, after the Gospel reading for children ages 3 through third grade During Little Lambs Children's Ministry children and their leader go to the Nursery to enjoy age appropriate Biblically-oriented activities during the Sermon, creed and prayers. They return during the offering to join us for Holy communion! This gives little ones a Bible break during the service, while allowing parents to focus on the sermon!

We invite you to learn more about our congregation at www.grace43081.org and the NALC at www.thenalc.org!

PRELUDE

Linda Hoch - Organ

"My Lord, What a Morning" - arr. Richard Billingham

"An Advent Meditation" - arr. David Lasky

Announcements

INTROIT

11:00 "My Lord, What a Morning" - arr. Richard Billingham Grace Ringers Bell Choir

Confession and Forgiveness

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. (*Matthew 28:19b*)

C Amen.

P As we await the fullness of Christ's coming, let us acknowledge our sins and failures before God.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

P Our impatience for your coming, and our failure to prepare your way;

C We confess to you, Lord.

P Our ignorance of your presence among us, and our failure to be alert;

C We confess to you, Lord.

P Our lack of concern for others, and our failure to welcome one another, as we have been welcomed;

C We confess to you, Lord.

P Our unwillingness to open our hearts to you, and our failure to receive you;

C We confess to you, Lord.

P All our sins and iniquities, committed by what we have done, and left undone;

C We confess to you, Lord.

P For all this, we are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

C For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us.

P In the Advent of Christ, the dawn from on high breaks upon us with light and healing. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Jesus Christ and by His authority, I declare to you that all of your sins are forgiven, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN

"Prepare the Royal Highway"

1 Pre - pare the roy - al high - way; the King of kings is near!
 2 God's peo - ple, see him com - ing; your own e - ter - nal king!
 3 Then fling the gates wide o - pen to greet your prom - ised king!
 4 His is no earth - ly king - dom; it comes from heav'n a - bove.

Let ev - 'ry hill and val - ley a lev - el road ap - pear!
 Palm branch - es strew be - fore him! Spread gar - ments! Shout and sing!
 Your king, yet ev - 'ry na - tion its trib - ute too may bring.
 His rule is peace and free - dom and jus - tice, truth, and love.

Then greet the King of glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry:
 God's prom - ise will not fail you! No more shall doubt as - sail you!
 All lands will bow be - fore him; their voic - es join your sing - ing:
 So let your praise be sound - ing for kind - ness so a - bound - ing:

Refrain

Ho - san - na to the Lord, for he ful - fills God's word!

The Liturgy of The Word

THE APOSTOLIC 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.

KYRIE

P In devout and joyful expectation, let us call out to Christ, who is our salvation.

D You came to proclaim the nearness of the Kingdom;

C Lord, have mercy.

A You come to call us to keep awake and alert;

C Christ, have mercy.

D You will come as Son of God and Son of Man, to gather your elect;

C Lord, have mercy.

ADVENT WREATH CANDLE-LIGHTING

Leader Today, we light the second candle in the Advent wreath, the candle of peace. Because of human sin and disobedience, there was distance between God and His children. The prophets foretold of the coming of Messiah, who would heal the breach between creator and creation and bring peace to hearts, lives and the world.

We read in Isaiah 9:

*For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given;
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,
and his name shall be called
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. (Isaiah 9:6 ESV)*

*The second candle is lighted as we sing the first two verses of
“Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah.”*

**Verse 1: Light one candle to watch for Messiah:
let the light banish darkness.
He shall bring salvation to Israel,
God fulfills the promise.**

**Verse 2: Light two candles to watch for Messiah:
let the light banish darkness.
He shall feed the flock like a shepherd,
gently lead them homeward.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY



☩ The Lord be with you.

☩ And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By His coming, give us strength in our trials and shed light on our path through the darkness of this world; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST READING: Malachi 3:1-7b

¹“Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. And the LORD whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. ²But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner’s fire and like fullers’ soap. ³He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the LORD. ⁴Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years. ⁵Then I will draw near to you for judgment. I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired worker in his wages, the widow and the fatherless, against those who thrust aside the sojourner, and do not fear me, says the LORD of hosts. ⁶For I the LORD do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed. ⁷From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you, says the LORD of hosts.”

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 66:1-12

Refrain



God holds our souls, our souls in life.

**Psalm
Tone**



L ¹Be joyful in God, | all you lands;
sing the glory of his name; sing the glory | of his praise.

C ²Say to God, “How awesome | are your deeds!

because of your great strength your enemies | cringe before you.

L ³All the earth bows | down before you,
sings to you, sings | out your name.”

C ⁴Come now and see the | works of God,

how wonderful he is in his doing | toward all people. Refrain

L ⁵He turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the wa- | ter on foot,
and there we re- | joiced in him.

C ⁶In his might he rules forever; his eyes keep watch ov- | er the nations;
let no rebel rise | up against him.

L ⁷Bless our | God, you peoples;
make the voice of his praise | to be heard;

C ⁸Who holds our | souls in life,
and will not allow our | feet to slip. Refrain

L ⁹For you, O | God, have proved us;
you have tried us just as sil- | ver is tried.

C ¹⁰You brought us in- | to the snare;
you laid heavy burdens up- | on our backs.

L ¹¹You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through | fire and water;
but you brought us out into a place | of refreshment.

C ¹²I will enter your house with burnt offerings and will pay | you my vows,
which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I | was in trouble.
Refrain

SECOND READING: Philippians 1:2-11

²Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ³I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, ⁴always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, ⁵because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. ⁹And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, ¹⁰so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, ¹¹filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

ALLELUIA VERSE (John 6: 68)

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 3:1-14

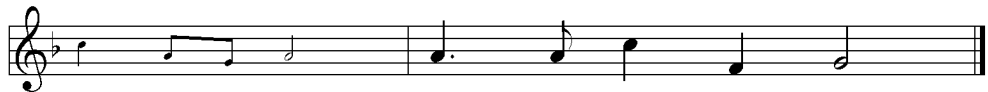
P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 3rd chapter.



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

¹In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene, ²during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the wilderness. ³And he went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁴As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. ⁵Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall become straight, and the rough places shall become level ways, ⁶and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'" ⁷He said therefore to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruits in keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. ⁹Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire." ¹⁰And the crowds asked him, "What then shall we do?" ¹¹And he answered them, "Whoever has two tunics is to share with him who has none, and whoever has food is to do likewise." ¹²Tax collectors also came to be baptized and said to him, "Teacher, what shall we do?" ¹³And he said to them, "Collect no more than you are authorized to do." ¹⁴Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what shall we do?" And he said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or by false accusation, and be content with your wages."

P The Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON: "Straight Talk From John The Baptizer!" The Rev. Dr. David Wendel

After the sermon, a time of silence for reflection.

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

1 Come, thou long - ex - spect - ed Je - sus, Born to set thy peo - ple free;
2 Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, Born a child, and yet a king;

From our fears and sins re - lease us; Let us find our rest in thee.
Born to reign in us for - ev - er, Now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.

Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, Hope of all the earth thou art,
By thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it Rule in all our hearts a - lone;

Dear de - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, Joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.
By thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it Raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is primarily in the treble clef, while the piano accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are arranged in four systems, each with two lines of text. The first system includes two numbered verses. The second system continues the lyrics. The third system includes a line of text that is partially obscured by the piano accompaniment. The fourth system concludes the lyrics. The score ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

APOSTLES' CREED

A We confess our Christian faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.
C **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

After each petition:

A Lord, in your mercy;
C **Hear our prayer.**

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always. (*Matthew 5: 22-24; John 20:19*)

C **And also with you.**

***You may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace,
and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.***

Please be seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE MEAL

MUSICAL OFFERING

8:15 "My Lord, What a Morning" - arr. Richard Billingham **Grace Ringers Bell Choir**

11:00 "Let There Be Light" - arr. Mary McDonald **Grace Singers Chancel Choir**

Please stand as the offering is brought forward.

THE OFFERTORY



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Blessed are you,
C **O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
(2 Timothy 4: 22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136)

P The Lord be with you. **Q** And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts. **Q** We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Q It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right and salutary . . . *The Presider continues with the preface, concluding:...*we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

THE SANCTUS *(Isaiah 6: 3; Matthew 21: 9)*

Q Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD INSTITUTING THE LORD'S SUPPER


(Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20)

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6: 9-13)

**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 king - dom, and the power, and the
glo - ry, for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD/THE FRACTION (Luke 24:30-31, 35; Acts 2:42)

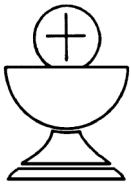
A time of silence...

P Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. (John 1:29)

C Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb. (Revelations 19:9)

Please be seated.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS



All who are baptized, have received the Lord's Supper, and believe that Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine are welcome to commune. Children who do not commune are invited forward to receive a blessing. You may receive the Communion Wine by taking a communion glass from the tray as it is offered to you.

The common cup is offered for those who desire to use it. If you desire the common cup, please point to it as the individual cups pass by you.

Grape juice is available in the center of the communion tray.

After you have received, please place the empty communion glass in the basket provided. (Gluten-free hosts are available by telling the person giving the host.)

Private prayer before receiving Holy Communion: O merciful Lord, I do not presume to come to your Table, trusting in my own righteousness, but in your many and great mercies. I am not worthy to gather up the crumbs under your Table. But you are the same Lord whose will it is always to have mercy. Make me, I pray you, worthy now to receive this Holy Communion. Grant me, gracious Lord, so to consume the very Body and Blood of your dear Son, Jesus Christ in this Holy Sacrament, that He may evermore dwell in me, and I in Him, that my sinful body may be made clean by His Body, and my soul washed through His most precious Blood. Amen.

Private prayer after receiving Holy Communion: Almighty God, you provide the true Bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that as I have received the Sacrament of His Body and Blood, He may abide in me, and I in Him, and that all who have received may be filled with the power of His endless life. By your grace, help me to walk worthy of my calling, and to learn to bring glory to your name in all things. Amen.

LAMB OF GOD (John 1: 29)



☐ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

Offering: An offering plate will be placed by the baptismal font for offerings to be presented during the offering procession. Offerings may be placed in the plate before or after the service.

Flowers are given by...

*Eloise Collier in celebration of Mary Jane Fisher's 97th birthday.
Carole Smith and family in memory of Rod Smith.*

Remember in our prayers... *Joe Moleno, Shirley Moleno, Betty Milner, Karen Vann, Mary Cooney, Jim Hall, John Hicks, Amy Lynn Unkefer, Cheryl DoBroka, Rod Rice, Mark Schaller, Mary Ross, Jim Ross, the families of Jackie Chapman and Ted St. Clair.*



*You are
invited!*

**Advent Mid-week Service at Grace
“The Mystery of God-With-Us!”
Wednesday, Dec. 11, 18 at 7:00pm**

WELCOME, GUESTS! We welcome you as our guest in our church home and invite you to continue to worship with us. We invite guests to take a welcome bag at the **WELCOME** Welcome Desk to learn more about Grace and fill out a Welcome Form to let us know you were worshipping with us today.

Service Recording: The recorded 8:15am service will be available at www.grace43081.org around 11am.



Loaves and Fishes café is OPEN! Please stop in between services for a drink and a snack! There is a sign-up sheet in the café if you are interested in helping. Please call Vanessa Stewart with any questions or concerns.



Please keep Lynn St. Clair and family in your prayers, as her son Ted St. Clair passed away December 2, 2024.

Romans 14: *Whether we live or whether we die, we belong to the Lord.*



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Financial Update: If you would like a copy of the full monthly Treasurer’s report as presented to Council, please reach out to the Treasurer, Melissa Hodek and it will be emailed to you.

1st Sunday of Advent: 8:15am: 78; 11:00am: 100; Total: 178

MUSIC NOTES

“My Lord, What a Morning” – arr. Richard Billingham

This 19th century African American spiritual references Matthew 24:29: “Immediately after the suffering of those days the sun will be darkened....and the stars will fall from heaven.” Also referenced are 1 Corinthians 15:52 and Revelation 6:13.

“An Advent Meditation” – arr. David Lasky

This piece combines three Advent hymns:

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” – Although this hymn usually appears in the Advent section of hymnals, Charles Wesley (1707-1788) wrote it for Christmas. Names given for Jesus in the hymn include: strength, consolation, hope, dear desire and joy. The hymn’s ultimate emphasis is on the kingship of Jesus closing with a prayer that Christ will rule in our hearts alone.

“Savior of the Nations, Come” - St. Ambrose, the bishop of Milan (340-397), is known as the father of Latin Hymnody. His hymn rings the keynote for Advent, with the seven stanzas providing opportunity to proclaim God’s purpose in sending the Messiah and our response to the Good News.

“Come Now, O Prince of Peace” – The background of this Korean hymn lies in the groundbreaking work I-to Loh (b. 1936) has done on Asian hymnody. The biblical text referenced is 2 Corinthians 5:17-20, where Paul explains that in Christ we are a new creation, reconciled to God.

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel” – arr. Barbara Baltzer Kinyon

From the seven antiphons sung in the medieval Roman Church at Vespers before and after the *Magnificat* (Mary’s Song), just prior to Christmas, sometime in the 13th century five of these antiphons were selected for a hymn and the “Rejoice, rejoice” refrain added. Biblical references to the Great “O’s” are: Emmanuel (Isaiah 7:14), Root of Jesse (Isaiah 11:10), Dayspring (Malachi 4:2), Key of David (Isaiah 22:22), and O Lord (Adonai) (Exodus 3:15). The verses point us toward the purpose of

Advent – to prepare for Christmas, just as Lent prepares for Easter.

“Let There Be Light” – arr. Mary McDonald

In this arrangement by Mary MacDonald, Christ’s birth signifies the coming of the Christ-Light. The text draws from many scriptural references including: Matthew 3:13-17; Isaiah 9:2-7; Isaiah 40:21-31; John 1:1-18 and Isaiah 49:1-7.

“Lo How a Rose E’er Blooming” – arr. Brian Büda

This much translated Twelfth Night German hymn was current at the time of Luther and first appeared in a Cologne Catholic hymnal. It combines themes of the root of Jesse, the prophesy of Isaiah, the Virgin mother Mary, and Christ as the rose dispelling darkness and death.

“Prepare the Royal Highway” – arr. Egil Hovland

The hymn begins with allusions to Isaiah 40:3-5, where a highway for the King of kings is made straight. By the third stanza the King is welcomed with gates flung open as in Psalm 24:7-10. Palms strew the way with hosannas as at Christ’s entry into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-9, Mark 11:1-10, and Luke 19:28-38), and peace, freedom, justice, truth, and love with sounding praise reflect Isaiah 40 and the following chapters.

Serving Today

OFFICIATING/ PREACHER	The Rev. Dr. David M. Wendel
DEACON	Molly King, Commissioned Lay Minister
ASSISTING MINISTER	8:15 Bob Ayers 11:00 Fred Pfanz
ORGANIST	Linda Hoch
SACRISTAN	Fred Pfanz
CANTOR	Fred Pfanz
ACOLYTE	8:15 Molly Young 11:00 Evan Crain
LECTOR	8:15 Lisa Kuhar 11:00 Jack Nickoli
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	8:15 Vanessa Stewart, Paul Whitacre 11:00 Tom Seamon and Sue Monroe
USHERS	8:15 Chris Banks, John Kotik, Dan George, Béla Bernhardt 11:00 Tom Moser, Andy Laderman, Michael King
ADVENT WREATH	8:15 The Bassett Hodek Family 11:00 Alicia and Evan Crain
ALTAR GUILD <i>Team 3</i>	Vanessa Stewart, Lois Bernhardt, Jodie Arreguin, Dorothea Fuhrman, Verna Kreachbaum, Amy Quinn, Linda Reasoner, Ellen Paulus, Joanne Figge
SOUND TECHNICIANS	Chris Banks, Eric Bush, Dan George, Paul Grant, Brice Graves
NURSERY ATTENDANTS	Kaitlyn F., Donna P.
LITTLE LAMBS	8:15 Susan Riches 11:00 Amy Quinn

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Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church has been serving the Westerville community for more than 115 years, supporting local ministries such as the Westerville Area Resource Ministry, Westerville Partnership Habitat for Humanity, and Westerville CROP Walk. Grace also supports Lutheran Social Services programs like Faith Mission and provides weekly meeting space for four AA groups.

Vision Statement: We envision Grace to be a welcoming Christ-centered community of faith, inviting all, growing in discipleship, sharing in ministries.

Mission Statement: Our mission is to reach out with the love of Jesus to grow disciples and serve our community.