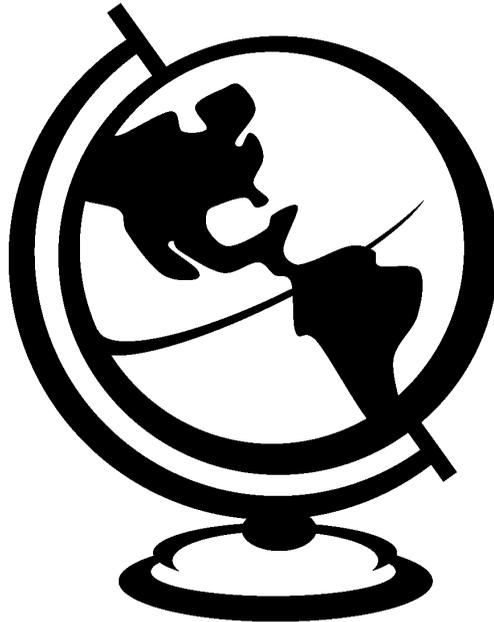


# Seventh Sunday of Easter



May 16, 2021

## Welcome to Grace

We give thanks that you have come to Grace to worship in God's house.

To our guests — We invite you to worship with us often and consider our family of faith yours.

Everything you need for worship is printed in this bulletin. Large Print Bulletins and Quiet Books (for our very young worshipers) are available from the ushers.

Our facility is equipped with a hearing assistance system to accommodate hearing difficulties. Please ask the sound technician for a receiver.

Please turn off or silence your personal communication device.  
We also ask that you not bring food or drink into our worship space.

We are a congregation of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). The NALC embraces four core values: Christ Centered, Mission Driven, Traditionally Grounded and Congregationally Focused. The NALC is focused on living out Christ's Great Commission to go and make disciples in North America and around the globe. We invite you to learn more about our congregation and the NALC.

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## Seventh Sunday of Easter

*The eleven disciples needed to replace the one who betrayed Jesus. This would mark the beginning of their apostolic ministry to the world. We are reminded of Jesus' prayer for his followers before his death - a prayer that asked for the protection of his closest friends as they went out into the world without him physically by their side. They will never be alone though, they will always have the Holy Spirit.*

### PRELUDE

*"Partita on Hyfrydol" - arr. Charles Callahan*

**Linda Hoch**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## Confession and Forgiveness

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P Merciful Father,

C **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

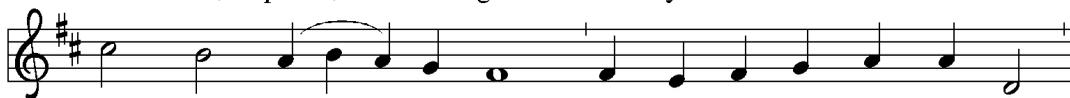
C **Amen.**

## GATHERING HYMN

## "Rise, O Sun of Righteousness"



1 Rise, O Sun of righ - teous - ness; with your  
2 Rouse our hearts from slum - ber deep; may your  
3 Gath - er in your scat - tered flock; give us  
4 Burst the bars of stub - born pride; make the  
5 Hon - or, praise, and glo - ry be to the



might cre - a - tion bless. Shine up - on your church to - day,  
word with - in us leap. Give us voic - es to pro - claim  
wa - ter from the rock. Bless the u - ni - ty we share  
heav'n - ly path - way wide. Raise us up from sin and death  
ho - ly Trin - i - ty! May your gra - cious will be done:



show - ing all your gen - tle way. Have mer - cy, Lord.  
prais - es to your ho - ly name. Have mer - cy, Lord.  
in our shep - herd's lov - ing care. Have mer - cy, Lord.  
with your Spir - it's liv - ing breath. Have mer - cy, Lord.  
make us one, as you are one. Have mer - cy, Lord.

## The Gathering

### GREETING

- A 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

- A Kyrie eleison.  
C **Lord, have mercy.**  
A Christe eleison.  
C **Christ, have mercy.**  
A Kyrie eleison.  
C **Lord, have mercy.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Almighty God,  
C **as your only Son was taken up into heaven and in power intercedes for us, may we also come into your presence and live forever in your glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## PARISH CONCERNS

### The Word

#### FIRST READING: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

*The apostles returned to Jerusalem following Jesus' ascension and began the task of carrying out his commission to them by choosing someone to replace Judas so that their number would once again be twelve, a reflection of the twelve tribes of Israel. Peter cautioned that it should be someone who was a witness to the whole of Jesus' ministry. Lots were drawn and Matthias was chosen.*

<sup>15</sup>In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, <sup>16</sup>"Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—<sup>17</sup>for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." <sup>21</sup>So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup>beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." <sup>23</sup>So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. <sup>24</sup>Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup>to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." <sup>26</sup>And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

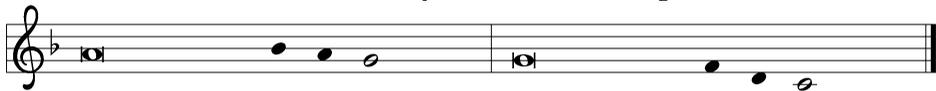
L The word of the Lord.  
C **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 1

### Refrain



### Psalm Tone



- L <sup>1</sup>Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel <sup>|</sup> of the wicked,  
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats <sup>|</sup> of the  
scornful!
- R <sup>2</sup>**Their delight is in the law <sup>|</sup> of the LORD,  
and they meditate on God's teaching <sup>|</sup> day and night. Refrain**
- L <sup>3</sup>They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due  
season, with leaves that <sup>|</sup> do not wither;  
everything they <sup>|</sup> do shall prosper.
- R <sup>4</sup>**It is not so <sup>|</sup> with the wicked;  
they are like chaff which the wind <sup>|</sup> blows away.**
- L <sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when <sup>|</sup> judgment comes,  
nor the sinner in the council <sup>|</sup> of the righteous.
- R <sup>6</sup>**For the LORD knows the way <sup>|</sup> of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked shall <sup>|</sup> be destroyed. Refrain**

## SECOND READING: 1 John 5:9-15

*John concluded his letter reiterating the very essence of his testimony regarding Jesus: God has given us the assurance that we may approach him and ask for anything according to his will. God is not far off and distant, but approachable, granting us eternal life through Jesus.*

<sup>9</sup>If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. <sup>10</sup>Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. <sup>11</sup>And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup>Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

<sup>13</sup>I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

<sup>14</sup>And this is the boldness we have in him, that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. <sup>15</sup>And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have obtained the requests made of him.

- L The word of the Lord.  
C **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the reading of the Holy Gospel.*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## HOLY GOSPEL John 17:6-19

*Jesus prayed for his disciples asking his Father to protect them so that they may be one just as he and the Father are one. His fervent prayer is that his followers will have the fullness of his own joy within them and that they may be protected and sanctified as they are sent out into a hostile world.*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John.  
**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus prayed:] <sup>6</sup>I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. <sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. <sup>12</sup>While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup>But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. <sup>14</sup>I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>15</sup>I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup>They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>17</sup>Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup>As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup>And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

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

*Please be seated.*

## MESSAGE

**Pastor Nicholas Hopman**

*Please stand.*

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ, our head and  
 2 To this tem - ple, where we call you, Come, O Lord of  
 3 Grant, we pray, to all your faith - ful All the gifts they  
 4 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, Praise and hon - or

cor - ner - stone, Cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,  
 hosts, and stay; Come, with all your lov - ing - kind - ness,  
 ask to gain; What they gain from you for - ev - er  
 to the Son, Praise and hon - or to the Spir - it,

Bind - ing all the Church in one; Ho - ly Zi - on's  
 Hear your peo - ple as they pray; And your full - est  
 With the bless - ed to re - tain; And here - af - ter  
 Ev - er three and ev - er one: One in might and

help for - ev - er And our con - fi - dence a - lone.  
 ben - e - dic - tion Shed with - in these walls to - day.  
 in your glo - ry Ev - er - more with you to reign.  
 one in glo - ry While un - end - ing a - ges run!

## NICENE CREED

- A** We confess our Christian faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C** **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
 maker of heaven and earth,  
 of all that is, seen and unseen.**
- We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
 eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,  
 Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten,  
 not made, of one Being with the Father;  
 through him all things were made.**
- For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
 was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
 and became truly man.**
- For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
 he suffered death and was buried.**
- On the third day he rose again in accordance  
 with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven  
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**
- He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
 and his kingdom will have no end.**
- We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
 with the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified,  
 He has spoken through the prophets.**
- We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.**
- We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**
- We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love.  
*A brief silence*

*After each petition:*

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

A O heavenly Father, give us all such things through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and savior, in whose name we thus pray:

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 kingdom, and the power, and the glory,**  
**forever and ever. Amen.**

## HYMN FOR PRAISE

Christopher and Benny Hoch - piano duet

"Jesus Loves Me" and "Jacob's Ladder" - arr. Dennis Alexander

## PREFACE

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 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:





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

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples and said, "Take, eat, this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way he also took the cup after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and said, "Take and drink it all of you. This cup is the New Testament in my blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

*Please be seated.*

### LAMB OF GOD



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



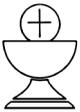
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



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



grant us peace, grant us peace.



All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation.

*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.*

*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)*

## COMMUNION MUSIC

Linda Hoch

"Give Thanks" and "Lord, Be Glorified" - arr. Anne Krentz Organ  
"Father, We Thank You" - arr. Anne Krentz Organ

*After communion is finished, please stand.*

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ  
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C** Amen.

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**P** We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through  
the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you  
would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent  
love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen.

## The Sending

### BLESSING

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ grant you peace.

**C** Amen.

### SENDING HYMN

### LBW 158 "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,  
2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in  
3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, here on earth our  
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o -  
5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter,

his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the  
 sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be -  
 food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to  
 tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your  
 his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the

vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful  
 lieves, nor ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re -  
 you from day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of  
 foot - stool, heav'n your throne. As with - in the veil you  
 vic - to - ry a - lone. Hark! The songs of peace - ful

Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus  
 ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our  
 sin - ners, earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the  
 en - tered, robed in flesh, our great high priest, here on  
 Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus

out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."  
 hearts for - get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more?"  
 songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 earth both priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 out of ev - 'ry na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."

## DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
C **Thanks be to God!**

## POSTLUDE

Linda Hoch

"O Love How Deep, How Broad, How High (*DEO GRACIAS*)" - arr. David N. Johnson

**Dismissal:** *Ushers will release rows from the back of the church to the front. Please keep your bulletin.*

**Offering:** A basket will be placed by the baptismal font for offering. Offerings can be placed in the basket before or after the service.

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### **Today's flowers are given by...**

*Chris and Linda Hoch in celebration of Benny's 10th birthday.*

**Remember in our prayers...** *The Family of Jan Singleton, Stephanie Seech, Mary Ross, Randy Cashman, Marilyn Braatz, Manjula Kothuru, Mary Ulrich, Clarence Clapham, Janice Hardick, Joan Hassler, Shawn Turnbull*

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## Notes & News

**WELCOME, GUESTS!** *We welcome you as our guest in our church home and invite you to continue to worship with us.*

**Service Recording:** The recorded 8:30am service will be available at [www.grace43081.org](http://www.grace43081.org) around 11am.

**NURSERY** is closed, but will reopen beginning Sunday, June 6. If you have any question see Molly King.

**2020-2021 Grace Graduates:** Are you or do you have a child or grandchild who is graduating this year? Grace would like to recognize 2020-2021 high school and college graduates in the June Voice and Sunday, June 6 bulletin. Please email Molly King ([m.king@grace43081.org](mailto:m.king@grace43081.org)), Tom Seamon ([tomseamon@att.net](mailto:tomseamon@att.net)), or [office@grace43081.org](mailto:office@grace43081.org) with the graduate's name, degree received, major, and where he or she graduated from. If there are future plans you would like to share, a photograph, something about their activities at school, extracurricular activities, interests, honors, and awards, we would love to include those as well. The deadline to be included is Tuesday, May 25.



**Thinking of becoming a member of Grace?** The first new member class begins today at 9:30 in the sanctuary. The class will be led by Pastor Nicholas Hopman and facilitated by John and Kirsten Hicks. New Members will be welcomed during the 11am service on May 30th.



**Quarterly Giving Statements:** Grace has traditionally mailed quarterly giving statements but due to the increase in electronic giving and your ability to see that information online we no longer feel that most are receiving a benefit from that process. Going forward we will email or

mail paper statements at year end. If you would like a giving statement at any other time during the year, you may request one from Kathy at [k.wahlenmaier@grace43081.org](mailto:k.wahlenmaier@grace43081.org) or by calling the office.

**Altar Guild is looking for members to rejoin and new members.** Men, women, new to ministries at Grace, old to ministries at Grace, contact Vanessa Stewart who would be delighted to talk to you more about the Altar Guild team who faithfully serves Grace. The commitment is 1 weekend, 4-5 times a year. You can reach Vanessa by phone 614-588-2712 or email [vschpn55@gmail.com](mailto:vschpn55@gmail.com).



## YOUTH & FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Vision Statement:** To nurture Youth and Family in Christ through Bible based teaching, music, activities and community outreach.

**High School Sunday School** is meeting in Rose Garden 1 during the Sunday School hour. The last class is Sunday, May 23.

**On Sunday, June 6 Summer Sunday school will begin. This is for Kindergarten through 5th grade.** A parent will need to stay with children that are in Preschool. This will be a one room classroom. Everyone will have masks on and social distance. I am hoping to have outdoor activities weather permitting. The nursery will be open as well starting June 6th.



The curriculum we will be using is Simply Loved, Where Kids Experience God's Greatest Gift. This curriculum has memorable, hands-on, friendship-focused activities. The kids will be guided on a foundational, Jesus-centered journey through God's story of love.

I can't wait to see the kids! Looking forward to having Sunday school start again! If you have any questions let me know.

**2021 Vacation Bible School SAVE THE DATE:** The dates for VBS will be July 25-29, 5:30-8pm, the program is **Treasured, Discovering You're Priceless to God!** The children will discover God's greatest treasure isn't diamonds, gems or gold— it's them! Contact Molly King: [m.king@grace43081.org](mailto:m.king@grace43081.org) or 614-882-3026.



*Volunteers needed for VBS and we want YOU! Sign up at the Welcome Center:*

- ◇ **Bible Adventures Leader-** Repeats the Bible Point each day. Leads the kids in a daily Bible story in a hands on way. (2 adults needed)
- ◇ **Imagination Station Leader-** Repeats the Bible Point each day. Leads the kids in exciting experiments that connect to the day's Bible story and point.(2 adults needed)
- ◇ **Jungle Gym Games Leader-** Leads the kids in games that connect with the daily Bible Point. Kids listen to Sing & Play Roar songs as they play games.(2 adults needed)
- ◇ **Crew Leaders: Elementary–** Are an integral part of VBS, leading kids through VBS each day. (10 adults needed)
- ◇ **Crew Leaders: Preschoolers–** Are an integral part of VBS, leading kids through VBS each day. (5 adults needed)
- ◇ **Assistant Crew Leaders–** Rising 6th graders thru adults, assist Crew Leaders (15 volunteers needed)

- ◇ **Clean Team:** Helps ensure a clean space for VBS. Wiping down high touch surfaces.
- ◇ **Decoration and Tear Down Team:** This team gathers the Saturday before VBS to stage the church for VBS and puts final touches around the Sunday VBS begins. We will gather a few Sundays prior to VBS to put together larger projects and organize donations. Friday, the day after VBS we will tear down and put away decorations.

## **REACHING OUT TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY**

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**FIRST FRUITS SUNDAYS** *Let all that you do be done in love". (1 Corinthians 16:14)*

### **May Grocery List:**

*Alfredo Sauce; Canned: Asparagus, Beets, Artichoke, Spinach; Chicken Gravy; Salt & Pepper; Pancake Mix and Syrup; Stewed Tomatoes; Dried Beans (all types); Canned Salmon; Salsa; Tomato Paste; and Shelf Stable Juices. We cannot accept food that has reached its expiration date. Any fresh produce, baked goods and dairy products take directly to WARM. Make Checks Payable to: Grace Lutheran Church, memo notation for WARM. Blessings to all who are making this a part of your regular tithes and offerings.*

**Molly's Movers for Acceptance!** TODAY at 1:30pm join Molly on a 3 mile walk at Hoff Park to support acceptance and raise funds for GiGi's Playhouse Down syndrome Achievement Center. Molly was introduced to the program because of her nephew Luke who has Down syndrome and has benefited from GiGi's Playhouse. GiGi's Playhouse offers FREE therapeutic and educational programs to help individuals with Down syndrome, their families and the community be the best they can be! Find out more, sign-up to move with me, or make a donation at: <https://tinyurl.com/molly-king-Gigisplayhouse>

**Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits:** 100 Personal Care Kits will be shipped off to benefit Lutheran World Relief this week! Thank you to all who donated items during Lent, to the Middle and High School Sunday School who put the packets together and to those who sorted and helped along the way! One year ago we set a goal 100 kits during Lent and then COVID happened; this year we aimed for 50 but through generosity arrived at 100. What a blessing!

## **TEACHING THE FAITH... ENCOURAGING DISCIPLESHIP**

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**The Women's Bible Study:** Wednesday Bible Study Group began an eight weekly sessions on Psalm 40 by Sarah Mae. The subtitle of this study is: Crying out to the God who delights to rescue us. The group meets in Fellowship Hall at 10:30 a.m. each Wednesday. Molly King facilitates the study. Any questions contact Molly King, [m.king@grace43081.org](mailto:m.king@grace43081.org).

**AN ADULT BIBLE STUDY EXPERIENCE:** This adult SS class, led by John Westenhaver meets in Rose Garden 4 at 9:30 a.m. They are studying on 'Our response to the Cross. God is Faithful to His Word. Worship. What is it?' All are Welcome. Questions or concerns, contact John at [jwestenhaver@gmail.com](mailto:jwestenhaver@gmail.com).

**Adult Learning:** Please join one of the adult education class as we study the book of Habakkuk. This study will be led by Bill Kulju and began April 25 at 9:45 in the fellowship hall. In this study we get a glimpse into Habakkuk's job description—preparing God's people for Babylonian captivity. How we can maintain faith in God when the world seems to be falling apart. The key to this faith for the people entering captivity is the same for us today, come join us and find out!

**Men of Grace (MOG) will meet on Saturday, May 15 at 8:00 a.m.** in the Loaves and Fishes Cafe. (note the change of venue) All men are invited to attend this Bible study and fellowship session. The study will be based on the Parish Papers from April entitled “Readiness Is The Key To Congregational Change”. Come early for a light breakfast.

## ***MUSIC NOTES***

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### **“Partita on Hyfrydol” – arr. Charles Callahan**

HYFRYDOL is the tune for the hymn “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”. The text was written by William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898) to fill a need for Communion hymns in Church of England hymnals. This hymn was first included in Dix’s *Altar Songs* (1867), and a year later in the Appendix to the Original Edition of *Hymns Ancient and Modern*. The text draws from a number of scriptural passages concerning communion, Easter, and Ascension (Psalm 78:25; John 6:32, 41-59; Acts 1:9; Hebrews 9:11-14; and Revelation 5:9).

### **“Jesus Loves Me” and “Jacob’s Ladder” – arr. Dennis Alexander**

“Jesus Love Me” was written by Anna B. Warner (c. 1820-1915) and is probably one of the most popular of all Sunday school hymns. It first appeared in the novel *Say and Seal* (1860), a giant two -volume work that Anne and her sister Susan wrote. The novel contained several hymns and poems and in it is an ill young boy name Johnny who asks his Sunday School teacher, Mr. Linden, to sing, and he sings this song.

The text for “Jacob’s Ladder” is inspired by Jacob’s dream at Bethel (Genesis 28). It was first included in John W. Work’s collection, *American Negro Songs and Spirituals* (1940), and, as is true of all traditional spirituals, no author is named. The “Jacob’s Ladder” theme was heard in American spirituals beginning about 1825.

### **“Give Thanks” and “Lord, Be Glorified” – arr. Anne Krentz Organ**

“Give Thanks” was written by Henry Smith (b. 1978) who, at the time, was struggling to find steady work, despite having just earned his college degree. The lyrics refer to ‘the poor’ as rich, an echo from his difficulty finding work. His eyesight was also failing because of a degenerative condition that would eventually leave him legally blind. Thankfully, theological training informed him that God’s side of the equals sign is what matters. The music reminds us of our need to be grateful for all that God has done for us.

“Lord, Be Glorified” was written by Bob Kilpatrick (b. 1952) in the living room of his mother-in-law. He wanted something he and his wife could sing together before a concert or a service. The text is a repeated plea that God would be glorified in life, song, church, and world.

### **“Father, We Thank You” – arr. Anne Krentz Organ**

The text for this hymn by F. Bland Tucker (1895-1985) is a paraphrase of the ninth and tenth chapters of *The Teaching of the Twelve Apostles* (c. 110) called the *Didache*. It was discovered in Constantinople, and it is one of the most important parts of the Communion liturgy. It is a prayer for the whole church, described in the last stanza as grain scattered over the hillsides, but harvested and made into one loaf, bringing to mind the prayer of Christ to the Father in John 17:21, “That they all may be one.”

### **“O Love How Deep, How Broad, How High (DEO GRACIAS)” – arr. David N. Johnson**

This fifteenth – century anonymous Latin hymn, often ascribed to Thomas à Kempis (c. 1380-1471) gives the whole story (in 23 stanzas) of what God did and does “for us” in Christ by narrating his life, ministry, death, resurrections and ascension, plus the sending of the Holy Spirit.



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**Quarterly Recap:** With the first quarter of the year complete, giving has exceeded expectations with \$12k given in excess of budget. Expenses are matching giving with about 28% of the budget spent which leaves us with \$3k in access YTD.

**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, at [melissa.hodek@gmail.com](mailto:melissa.hodek@gmail.com) and it will be emailed to you.

March 2021	Estimated Giving	Collected	Excess/ (Deficit)
MTD	\$ 37,083	\$ 41,010	\$ 3,927
YTD	\$111,249	\$ 123,866	\$ 12,617

## Weekly Worship Attendance

**Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 9:** 8:30am: 70, 11:00am: 96, Total: 166

## Serving Today

PRESIDER/PREACHER	Pastor Nicholas Hopman			
ASSISTING MINISTER	Molly King, Commissioned Lay Minister			
CANTOR	Larry Schaller			
ORGANIST	Linda Hoch			
SACRISTAN	Fred Pfanz			
LECTOR	8:30	Vanessa Stewart	11:00	Andy Laderman
ALTAR GUILD <i>Team 1</i>	Linda Seamon, Cheryl Bush, Andrea Bush, Jean Claflin, Dorothy Cain, Cheryl Leiss, Twyla Ridder, Lou Swanson			
USHERS	8:30	Chris Banks, John Kotik, Dan George, Bela Bernhardt		11:00
		Kevin Thuman, Laurie Thuman, Paul Hotchkiss		
SOUND TECHNICIANS	Chris Banks, Dan George, Paul Grant, Eric Bush			

**Jeff Daubenmire** is a native of Logan, Ohio, in the Hocking Hills area of southeast Ohio. He holds degrees in Music Education and Educational Administration from Ohio University and currently serves as Executive Vice President of Hocking College in Nelsonville, Ohio. Jeff has been a church musician since the age of 12, and spent nearly 30 years as a Director of Music, conducting chancel choirs, handbell choirs, as well as serving as a cantor, organist and pianist. He enjoys presenting concerts, utilizing local, regional and professional talent and has performed throughout Ohio and across the United States. Jeff looks forward to joining the staff at Grace Lutheran, meeting many new people and leading the music ministry for the church and the community.



## This Week at Grace: May 16-23, 2021

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May 16

### SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PASTOR NICHOLAS HOPMAN

- 8:30 am Worship Service
- 9:30 am New Member Class #1 (Sanctuary)
- 9:45 am Adult Learning (Rose Garden 4 and Fellowship Hall) and High School Sunday School (Rose Garden 1)
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 12:30 pm Council Meeting

MON

TUES

- 5:30 pm Care Team Meeting
- 8:00 pm AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

WED.

- 10:30 am Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)

THURS

- 7:00 pm Bell Choir (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Fellowship Hall)

FRI.

- 8:00 pm AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

SAT

- 9:30 am AA Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
- 8:00 pm AA Meeting (Online Meeting)

May 23

### DAY OF PENTECOST

PASTOR NICHOLAS HOPMAN

- 8:30 am Worship Service
- 9:30 am New Member Class #2 (Sanctuary)
- 9:45 am Adult Learning (Rose Garden 4 and Fellowship Hall) and High School Sunday School (Rose Garden 1)
- 11:00 am Worship Service

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