




Coffee with Pastor Pilar

October 5 | Between Services | PBH
Join us for a conversation with Pr. Pilar. Learn about his ministry in the Quad Cities and get a chance to talk about the ongoing mission in Guatemala.

Coffee with Council

October 12 | Between Services | PBH
You are invited to join Grace council members to learn about their latest projects, share your joys and concerns, talk about the year ahead, ask questions, and get to know the folks who represent you.



Pictures into Memories

October 19 | Between Services
Join us for the second installment of Picture into Memories. In the first session, people shared pictures with Joel Lorentzen and Paul Lewellan. The group then talked about how to convert those picture into stories that could be passed on to others. Even if you could not attend the first session, grab a picture and join us on October 19. Lots of memories; never enough time.



Special Reception for Pastor Stephanie

Sunday, October 26 | Between Services
You are invited to a celebration of the 10th Anniversary of Pastor Stephanie's Ordination! Council members & the Personnel Committee will host a reception in her honor on Sunday, October 26, between Services. They will have a basket for cards and notes to mark this special occasion in the life of a Minister of Word & Sacrament.



TRUNK OR TREAT!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31 ~ 5PM SET UP
Join us for the 19th Annual Trunk or Treat night at Grace on Friday, October 31. We will gather at 5pm to decorate our trunks. Candy & treats will be handed out until they are all gone. If you plan to attend please let Hollie Swain know (563-514-4022 or k75hollie@gmail.com). The past several years we have treated about 200+ children. If the weather is a downpour or snow more than 2" we probably won't gather, but feel free to contact Hollie to be sure.

All Saints Sunday ~ Bring a Photo

On All Saints Sunday, November 2, we'd like to have a display of our loved ones who have passed. Please bring a photo of your Saint for the collection.

Looking Ahead


- **October 5 Coffee with Pr. Pilar**
- **October 7** Polling Location at Grace
- **October 5 & 12** Quilt Display
- **October 12** Coffee with Council
- **October 13** Pray & Play
- **October 19** Pictures into Memories
- **October 26** Reformation Sunday
- **October 26** Reception for Pr. Stephanie
- **October 26** IFF Party
- **October 31** Trunk or Treat
- **November 2** All Saints Sunday
- **November 4** Polling Location at Grace
- **November 7** Pray & Play
- **November 9** Stewardship Sunday

It's Food & Fellowship!

Sunday, October 26 | 3:00pm
Come enjoy fellowship around the fire pit at the home of Joel & Ann Lorentzen (3 College Hill Ct, Rock Island) as we celebrate Fall and Halloween, hosted by the Lorentzen's and the Meier's. Please **RSVP by October 17** to Ann 563-349-0208 or Sally 309-292-0281. We always have a great time visiting and enjoying good food and friends. We'd love to have you join us!



Grace Lutheran Church
1140 E High St | Davenport, IA



POW Journals of Ray Walton

Saturday, November 15
9:00am in Pat Bell Hall

The Grace Page Turners group invites you to a special presentation: Mike Walton will be presenting the *Prisoner of War Journals of Ray Walton*. These are the journals from Mike's father's experiences as a POW during World War II.

We are looking forward to sharing this story with you and also to honor our veterans. Please join us. If you have any questions, call Carol Keller 563-340-9013.

Sunday, October 5

Food Pantry Collection

- 8:30am Traditional Worship & Livestream
9:30am Coffee with Pastor Pilar - PBH
10:30am Contemporary Worship

Monday, October 6

- 10:30am Staff Meeting
4:30pm Centering Prayer

Tuesday, October 7

Davenport Primary - Polling Location

- 10:00am Pastor's Text Study - PBH
1:30pm Personnel Committee Mtg
5:00pm Property Committee Mtg
7:00pm The Anxious Generation Study

Wednesday, October 8

- 12:00pm Men's Lunch Group - Vanderveer
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 9

- 11:00am Story of Paul Bible Study

Friday, October 10

Saturday, October 11

- 1:30pm Praise Band Rehearsal

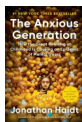
Sunday, October 12

- 8:30am Traditional Worship & Livestream
9:30am Coffee with Council - PBH
10:30am Contemporary Worship

Monday, October 13

Pray & Play 8:30am-4pm

- 10:30am Staff Meeting
4:30pm Centering Prayer



The Anxious Generation Book Study

Tuesdays, 7:00pm | Led by Pastor Kirsten

The Anxious Generation studies the epidemic of teen mental illness, including why children need play and independent exploration to mature into thriving adults. Anyone is welcome at anytime - this study is open to the community, so please invite your friends and family! Pr. Kirsten can answer any questions.



Story of Paul Bible Study

Thursdays, 11:00am | Led by Pastor Stephanie

Please contact the office at office@gracewelcomesyou.org or 563-322-0769 if you are interested. There is a participant book (\$15) with only a few pages of reading for each session. Pr. Stephanie can answer any questions.

Naomi Circle

Next Meeting: October 14, 9:00am in the narthex **Note Date Change* This year we will be studying the Parables, and in October we will help the quilters pack up quilts for LWR followed by meeting and study. All are welcome to join us! Contact Joyce Marinaccio 563-343-3404 or gsgopher50@gmail.com.

Service Day Quilters

Next Meeting Dates: October 14 & 15 | 9am-Noon

Anyone can join to help at church or at home. Questions? Contact Gloria Lange 563-271-1542 langejg1@msn.com or Kathy Miller kathyk1679@aol.com 563-676-0914.

Grief Support Group

Next Meeting: October 15 Grief Support Group meets the first and third Wednesdays month 5:30pm in Pat Bell Hall. Anyone is welcome at anytime, and please be assured our conversations are kept in confidence. Questions? Contact: Cindy Lee 563-370-5386.

Page Turners Book Group

Next Meeting: October 18 We meet at 8:30am the third Saturday each month at different locations for breakfast, book discussion, and great fellowship (reading the book is not required). **October Book:** *Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy: Four Women Undercover in the Civil War* by Karen Abbott **Host:** TBD **Location:** TBD

Centering Prayer

Mondays 4:30pm via Zoom In the Christian tradition, Contemplative Prayer is considered to be the pure gift of God - an the opening of mind and heart. Cheryl Kritsch 563-343-0135 facilitates the group which meets via Zoom every Monday (except holidays) at 4:30pm (link emailed in the Weekly Update).

Men's Lunch

The Men's Lunch meets at noon every Wednesday at Vanderveer Park (when the weather turns colder, we'll meet at church). Bring a lunch from home or pick something up from a restaurant. Contact Dennis Boehme at boehmed@aol.com or 563-320-2661 to be added to the email list.

Thank You!

From Hollie Swain ~ *Thank you all so much for your pet food and supply donations and a special thank you to Parish Life for coordinating the collection. Here is what we were able to give to Rescued (825 First Ave, Silvis IL):*

Cat food - 85.8 lbs	Towel - 1
Dog food - 136.2 lbs	Lead - 1
Chews - 6 pkgs	Tennis Balls - 2
Hydrant Toy - 1	



Habitat
for Humanity®
QUAD CITIES

Habitat for Humanity 2025

Saturday, November 1

9am-Noon or Noon-3pm

Help with framing, drywall, siding, and much more for families who dream of owning a home. No prior building experience needed. Register to attend at bit.ly/HabitatWorkDay or talk with Pastor Kirsten.

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current Weekly
Update email



Following Jesus' teachings, Grace seeks to educate, lead, and partner with all people through discipleship to worship, service, and faith celebration.

17th Sunday After Pentecost

October 5, 2025 8:30am

Grace Lutheran Church, Davenport, Iowa
Pastor Stephanie Wood † Pastor Kirsten Lee

Welcome! We are so happy you have joined us!

Congregational response in bold.

Prelude

Come, Let Us Sing David Paxton

Announcements

Call to Worship

Heart & Voice Choir *Trust in the Lord*

Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

Amen. Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. (*Silence is kept for reflection.*)

Merciful and loving God,

we are your stubborn people. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of † Jesus, your sins are forgiven! **Amen.**

Opening Hymn

Oh, Sing to God Above ELW 555

- 1 Oh, sing to God above
a hymn of joyful greeting,
a song of grateful love
in the new day's light repeating:
you made the sea and sky,
the sun and stars in splendor;
delight shone in your eye—
all your works were filled with wonder.

Refrain

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Oh, sing to God above: Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Oh, sing to God above: Alleluia!

- 2 Oh, sing to God above
a hymn of praise and blessing,
a song of grateful love,
hope and faith our hearts expressing:
creation lifts its voice
to tell your might and glory,
and we, too, will rejoice
to proclaim the saving story. *Refrain*

Oh, sing to God above: Alleluia!

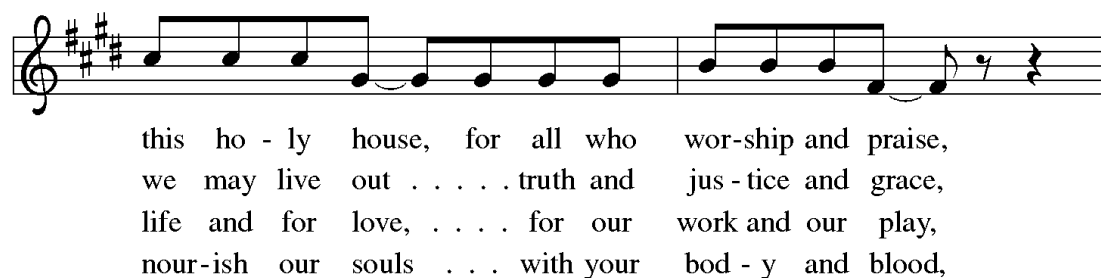
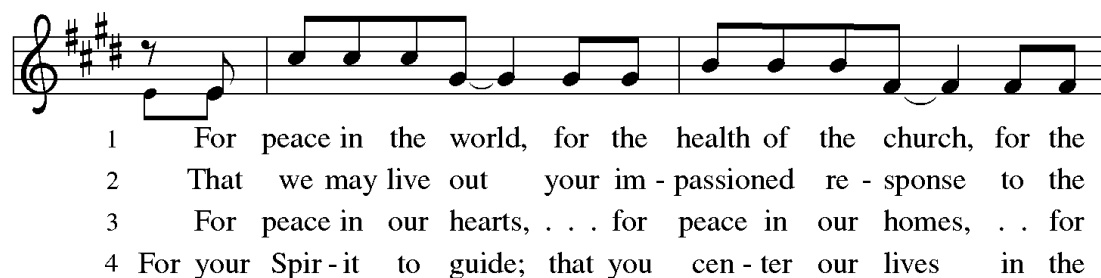
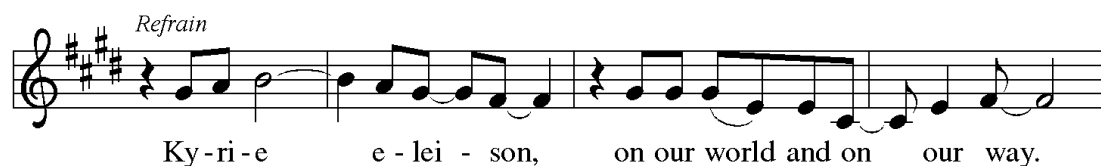
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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie

Kyrie Eleison, On Our World and On Our Way ELW p. 184



Hymn of Praise

This is the Feast..... ELW p. 187

Refrain
This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the

Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be

peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

Refrain
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of

vic - t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al -

le - lu - ia. 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain
This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the

Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Benevolent, merciful God: **When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Heart & Voice Choir Anthem

Sure Foundation Mark Hayes

*When you pass through the waters, I will be with you.
When you pass through the river, I am there.
Floods may seem to overwhelm you, but this one thing is sure.
I will never forsake you; do not fear.*

*When you pass through the fire you shall not be burned.
When the flame would consume you I am there.
Fiery trials may assail you, but this one thing is sure.
I will never forsake you; do not fear.*

*Do not fear, I have redeemed you. I have called you, you are mine.
You can trust my sure foundation until the end of time.
Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God, and will cause thee to stand,
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.*

*When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient shall be thy supply.
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.*

*The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose
I will not, I will not desert to his foes.
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake.
I'll never, no, never, no never forsake!*

Children's Message

First Reading | 2 Timothy 1:1-14

This letter written to Timothy is a personal message of encouragement. In the face of hardship and persecution, Timothy is reminded that his faith is a gift of God. He is encouraged to exercise that faith with the help of the Holy Spirit.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands, for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day the deposit I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 37:1-9

Do not be provoked by evildoers; do not be jealous of those who do wrong.

For they shall soon wither like the grass, and like the green grass fade away.

Put your trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and find safe pasture.

Take delight in the Lord, who shall give you your heart's desire.

Commit your way to the Lord; put your trust in the Lord, and see what God will do.

The Lord will make your vindication as clear as the light and the justice of your case like the noonday sun.

Be still before the Lord and wait patiently.

Do not be provoked by the one who prospers, the one who succeeds in evil schemes.

Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; do not be provoked; it leads only to evil.

For evildoers shall be cut off, but those who hope in the Lord shall possess the land.

Gospel Acclamation*

Alleluia. Lord, to Whom Shall We Go?..... ELW p. 188



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, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.
Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Reading | Luke 17:5-10

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus instructs his followers about the power of faith and the duties of discipleship. He calls his disciples to adopt the attitude of servants whose actions are responses to their identity rather than works seeking reward.

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me; put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So, you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound..... ELW 779

- 1 Amazing grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
 I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.
- 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
 how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!
- 3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come;
 'tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
- 4 The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope secures;
 he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

5 When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt., sts. 1-4; anonymous, st. 5

Apostles' Creed

Let us proclaim our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

Prayers of the People

Let us pray. Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Call to Offering

As we walk alongside God, we attune ourselves to the gentle voice urging us to trust in everything we offer. The Spirit of God encourages us to embody our faith by sharing our gifts, abilities, and time with all of creation.

Offering Hymn

As the Grains of Wheat written and setting by Marty Haugen

Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were

gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from

all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless - ing is shared with - in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when

Refrain

may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen

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Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Lord of the harvest,

we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

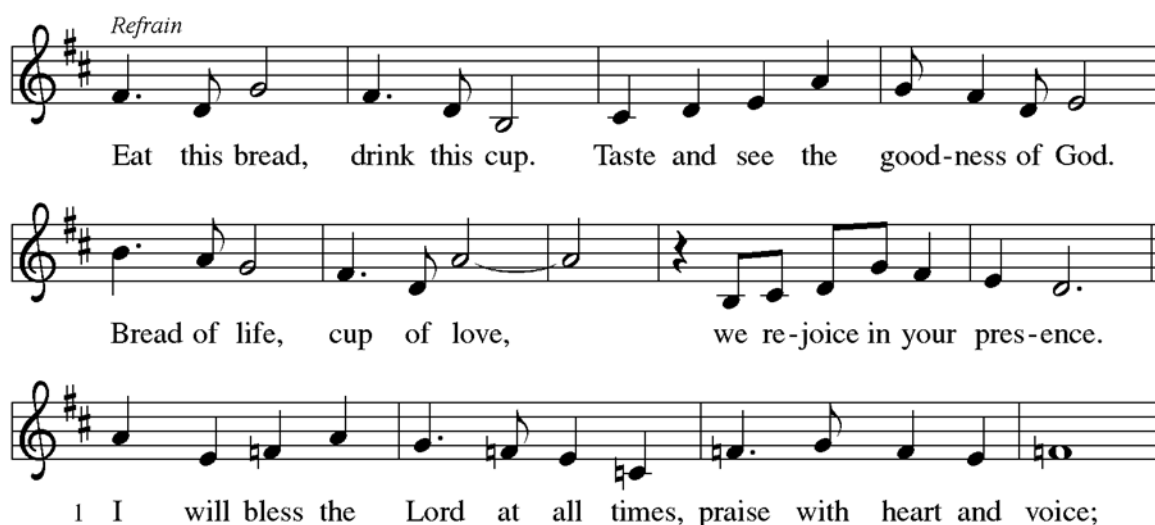
Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Communion Hymn

Eat this Bread, Drink this Cup ELW 492

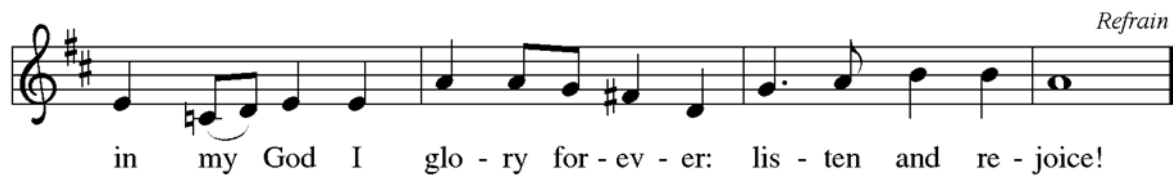
Refrain



Eat this bread, drink this cup. Taste and see the good-ness of God.

Bread of life, cup of love, we re-joice in your pres-ence.

1 I will bless the Lord at all times, praise with heart and voice;



Text: Jeremy Young, b. 1948, refrain; *With One Voice*, stanzas, based on Ps. 34
 Music: STONERIDGE, Jeremy Young
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Prayer After Communion

Let us pray. O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Blessing

The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, † bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

For the Bread Which You Have Broken..... ELW 494

- 1 For the bread which you have broken,
 for the wine which you have poured,
 for the words which you have spoken,
 now we give you thanks, O Lord.
- 2 By this promise that you love us,
 by your gift of peace restored,
 by your call to heav'n above us,
 hallow all our lives, O Lord.
- 3 With the saints who now adore you,
 seated at the heav'nly board,
 may the church still waiting for you
 keep love's tie unbroken, Lord.

4 In your service, Lord, defend us;
 in our hearts keep watch and ward;
 in the world to which you send us
 let your kingdom come, O Lord.

Text: Louis F. Benson, 1855-1930, alt.; Text © Robert F. Jefferys Jr.

Sending

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.
Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Sing the Glad Song Franklin Ritter



Junior Bible Study | Today: God Helps Joseph Forgive

Junior Bible Study is offered for children after the children's sermon during worship at both services. We will return from our time together before communion begins. Once again, we will use The Story as our guide for our learning. We will learn the familiar Bible Stories through these books, felt board, games, and crafts. We hope your children can join us!

Interested in Joining Grace?

Please contact the church office office@gracewelcomesyou.org, for information about joining Grace Lutheran Church. All are welcome and we would be overjoyed to have you engaged in the worship, ministries, and congregational life at Grace.

Do You Receive the Weekly Update Email?

Every Thursday we email out the Weekly Update with current announcements, links, birthdays, anniversaries, Synod/ELCA updates, and more. If you would like to be added to our email list, please contact Annie in the church office.

Serving in Worship

Presiding Minister	Pastor Stephanie Wood
Director of Outreach & Youth Minister	Pastor Kirsten Lee
Assisting Minister	Jane Rock
Communion Assistants	Jane Rock, Russ Finkler, Debbie Alejo, Hollie Swain
Communion Bread	Hollie Swain
Acolyte	Debbie Alejo
Crucifer	Denise Eads
Greeters	Gail & Gene Carber
Ushers	Adolfo Alejo, Dean Rock
Sound System	Russ Finkler
Jr Bible Study	Pastor Kirsten, Denise Eads
Prayers	Paul Lewellan
Altar Guild	Mike Keller
Heart & Voice Choir Director	Sally Meier
Organist	Susan Senn
Pianist	Kathi Parrish
Worship Tech & Praise Band Leader	Vey Rodriguez
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