

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Next Sunday

Joey Souther
Debra Shevlin
Lisa Giroir
Mary Lou & Lorie

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost	October 5, 2025
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Welcome to God's house! Please allow us to keep in touch with you by signing the register in the foyer/narthex. Thank you!

Altar Flowers are placed today to the glory of God in memory of all the children who have been lost to abortion in this fallen world.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated each week. Those Christians who truly believe that they receive the true body and blood of Christ Jesus our Savior, in, with and under the bread and wine are invited to partake in the Lord's Supper.

The Apostle Paul's words in 1 Corinthians 11:27-29 set forth, *"Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself."*

If you are concerned about having a proper understanding of the Lord's Supper, we urge you to speak with pastor. Questions and answers that may aid your understanding of and preparation for Holy Communion are on pages 329-330 in the pew hymnal.

Non-alcoholic wine is white and located in the center of the individual cup trays for those who cannot tolerate alcohol.

Introit

Psalm 119:162, 164–165, 167; antiphon: v. 166

Pastor: I hope for your salvation, O Lord,
People: and I do your commandments.

Pastor: I rejoice at your word
People: like one who finds great spoil.

Pastor: Seven times a day I praise you
People: for your just and righteous decrees.

Pastor: Great peace have those who love your law;
People: nothing can make them stumble.

Pastor: My soul keeps your testimonies;
People: I love them exceedingly.

Pastor: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
People: and to the Holy Spirit;

Pastor: as it was in the beginning,
People: is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Pastor: I hope for your salvation, O Lord,
People: and I do your commandments.

Collect of The Day

O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, by Your grace hear the prayers of Your Church. Grant that those things which we ask in faith we may receive through Your bountiful mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

This is the House of God.

Let us be thoughtful and reverent.

Before the Service, speak to the Lord.

During the Service, let the Lord speak to you.

After the Service, speak to one another.

Divine Service

Setting One

Lutheran Service Book, Page 151

Pre-Service Music

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| 1. Opening Hymn | # 720 |
| 2. Confession and Absolution | p 151 |
| 3. Introit | Bulletin |
| 4. Kyrie | p 152 |
| 5. This is the Feast | p.155 |
| 6. Salutation | p 156 |
| 7. Collect of the Day | Bulletin |
| 8. First Reading | Bulletin |
| 9. Epistle Reading | Bulletin |
| 10. Alleluia Verse | p 156 |
| 11. Glory to you, O... | p 157 |
| 12. Holy Gospel | Bulletin |
| 13. Praise to you, O... | p 157 |
| 14. The Nicene Creed | p 158 |
| 15. The Word for Children | |
| 16. Sermon Hymn | # 587 |
| 17. Sermon | |
| 18. Meditation | |
| 19. Prayer of the Church | p.159 |
| Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,
People: hear our prayer. | |
| 20. Offertory* | # 955 |
| 21. Preface | p 160 |
| 22. Holy, Holy, Holy... | p 161 |
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| 24. The Words of Our Lord | p 162 |
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| 26. Pax Domini | p 163 |
| 27. Agnus Dei | p 163 |
| 28. Communion Hymn | # 843 |
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| Communion Hymn | # 643 |
| 29. Thank the Lord | p 164 |
| 30. Post Communion Collect | p 166 |
| 31. Benediction | p 166 |
| 32. Closing Hymn | # 333 |

Postlude

*Offering boxes are on each side of the doors exiting the sanctuary.

Old Testament

Habakkuk 1:1–4; 2:1–4

¹The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw.

²O Lord, how long shall I cry for help,
and you will not hear?

Or cry to you “Violence!”
and you will not save?

³Why do you make me see iniquity,
and why do you idly look at wrong?
Destruction and violence are before me;
strife and contention arise.

⁴So the law is paralyzed,
and justice never goes forth.
For the wicked surround the righteous;
so justice goes forth perverted.

¹I will take my stand at my watchpost
and station myself on the tower,
and look out to see what he will say to me,
and what I will answer concerning my complaint.

²And the Lord answered me:
“Write the vision;
make it plain on tablets,
so he may run who reads it.

³For still the vision awaits its appointed time;
it hastens to the end—it will not lie.
If it seems slow, wait for it;
it will surely come; it will not delay.

⁴“Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him,
but the righteous shall live by his faith.”

Epistle

2 Timothy 1:1–14

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life that is in Christ Jesus,

²To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

³I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. ⁵I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well. ⁶For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, ⁷for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.

⁸Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, ⁹who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, ¹¹for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, ¹²which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that Day what has been entrusted to me. ¹³Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

Gospel

Luke 17:1-10

¹[Jesus] said to his disciples, "Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! ²It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin. ³Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, ⁴and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' you must forgive him."

⁵The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" ⁶And the Lord said, "If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you."

⁷"Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and recline at table'? ⁸Will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink'? ⁹Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? ¹⁰So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.'"

"You Are the Light of the World"

**You are the light of the world
You are the light of the world
So shine, shine, shine where you are
You are the light of the world**

**You are a city on a hill
You are a city on a hill
So shine, shine, shine where you are
You are a city in a hill**

**You are a candle in the dark
You are a candle in the dark
So shine, shine, shine where you are
You are a candle in the dark**

**You are a star in the night
You are a star in the night
So shine, shine, shine where you are
You are a star in the night**

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**Life Chain, Respect Life
TODAY: Sunday, October 5, 2025
from 12 to 1 p.m.**

**Signs will be provided
Any questions please Contact:
Pastor/Church Office 985-879-1865**

Please join us for the Life Chain on Respect Life. Participants will be lining up along the road in front the church holding Life Chain signs as a peaceful, prayerful & public witness to the community that "Abortion Kills Children" and "Jesus Forgives and Heals" and that the Church community supports the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death.

This is not exclusively a GLC event. We anticipate Christians of other denominations will attend.

BUILDING SECURITY & STEWARDSHIP

If you're among the last to leave the church building at any time, please be sure *all* doors are locked *and* closed completely. Also, please make sure all thermostats are returned to vacant-building settings.



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This Week at Grace

Today	9:00 a.m.	Worship
		Coffee & Youth Biscuits
	10:45 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
	12:00 p.m.	Life Chain, Respect Life
Monday	6:00 p.m.	Bible Study — <u>Cancelled</u>
Tuesday	1:00 p.m.	Bible Study — <u>Cancelled</u>
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	Potluck Fellowship
	6:45 p.m.	Prayer & Praise

For the week October 5-12, 2025

Birthdays

10/05 Dave Greve

Presley Spolarich

10/06 Mary Harding

10/10 Dale Boger

10/11 Victoria Thalheim

Baptismal Anniversary

10/09 Gabriella Crawford

In the palm of God's Hands...

PRESSING HEALTH CONCERNS: Arthur Dean Parfait, Charles Calloway and Vickie Ogle.

BATTLING CANCER: Alyssa Rogers, Beau Bourgeois, Charlene Shroyer, Helen Duplantis, Michael Hamilton, Mike Moss and Nileen Nemeth.

RECOVERING FROM SURGERY/INJURY: Kim Cape, Richard Reaves and Roy Labat.

CHRONIC CONDITIONS & ELDERLY: Bob Dieterian, Connie Oswalt, DeAnn Barrios, Donna Bass, Donna Von Burgsdorff, Frank Alessio, James Hillman, Jackie Webb, Jaxon Greene, Jeanne Norman, John Wegner, Josephine Hebert, Kim Cape, Marilyn Beach, Mike Wallace, Richard LaCour and Toni St. Amant.

NEW & EXPECTING MOTHERS: Hailey & Ezekiel Long, Karoline and baby Cormier, Krista & Braxton Moore, Lei'Lyn Hebert and Arthur, Nikki and baby Boudreaux and Toni and Linnen Randolph.

SERVING IN OUR ARMED FORCES & THEIR FAMILY: Haize Shroyer, Jason Reid-O'Neill, Jaxx Dardar, Julia Shroyer, Kyle Turcott, Lei'Lyn Hebert and Noah Scheufens.

COLLEGE STUDENTS: Alyssah Kinsella, Jonathan Dahl, Nicholas Scott, Niyah Shroyer and Victoria Thalheim.



Grace's Mission

***Building one body in Christ through Worship, Witness,
Stewardship, Service, Love, Teaching and Fellowship***