GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Today Next Sunday

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Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 12, 2025

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 by Bonnie Dupre in celebration of her son Charles's birthday on the 8th and her daughter Becky's birthday on the 15th.

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

Introit

Psalm 34:2-4, 17; antiphon: Psalm 48:1a

Pastor: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised

People: in the city of our God!

Pastor: My soul makes its boast in the Lord; **People: let the humble hear and be glad.**

Pastor: Oh, magnify the Lord with me,

People: and let us exalt his name together!

Pastor: I sought the Lord, and he answered me **People: and delivered me from all my fears.**

Pastor: When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears **People: and delivers them out of all their troubles.**

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: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised

People: in the city of our God!

Collect of The Day

Almighty God, You show mercy to Your people in all their troubles. Grant us always to recognize Your goodness, give thanks for Your compassion, and praise Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (Sung)



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Old Testament

Ruth 1:1-19a

¹In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. ²The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. ³But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. ⁴These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, ⁵and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

⁶Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the Lord had visited his people and given them food. ⁷So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. ⁸But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. ⁹The Lord grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. ¹⁰And they said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." ¹¹But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? ¹²Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, ¹³would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand of the Lord has gone out against me." ¹⁴Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

¹⁵And she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." ¹⁶But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. ¹⁷Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the Lord do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you." ¹⁸And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more.

¹⁹So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem.

Epistle

2 Timothy 2:1–13

¹You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, ²and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will

be able to teach others also. ³Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him. ⁵An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. ⁶It is the hardworking farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. ⁷Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.

⁸Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, ⁹for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. ¹¹The saying is trustworthy, for: If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

¹²if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us; ¹³if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself.

Gospel

Luke 17:11-19

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance ¹³and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." ¹⁴When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? ¹⁸Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

"The Nails in Your Hands" Richard Cimino

The nails in Your hands, the nail in Your feet, They tell me how much You love me; The thorns on Your brow, they tell me how, You bore so much shame to love me.

And when the heavens pass away,
All Your scars will still remain,
And forever they will say how much You love me...

The nails in Your hands, the nail in Your feet, They tell me how much You love me; The thorns on Your brow, they tell me how, You bore so much shame to love me.

And when the heavens pass away,
All Your scars will still remain,
And forever they will say how much You love me...

And I want to say, "Forever my love, Forever my heart, Forever my life is Yours."

"Forever my love, Forever my heart, Forever my life is Yours."

Because you love me...

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Grace's Mission

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

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.

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.

This Week at Grace

Today 9:00 a.m. Worship

Coffee & LWML Baked Goods

10:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

Monday 6:00 p.m. Bible Study

Tuesday 1:00 p.m. Bible Study

Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Potluck Fellowship

6:45 p.m. Prayer & Praise

Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Dying In Christ

For the week October 12-18, 2025

Birthdays 10/14 Amiee Cima 10/17 Michael Shroyer, Sr. Baptismal Anniversary 10/15 Seth Cunningham

In the palm of God's Hands...

<u>PRESSING HEALTH CONCERNS</u>: Arthur Dean Parfait, Charles Calloway, Heather Guidroz, Lynn Cinnater and Vickie Ogle.

<u>BATTLING CANCER</u>: 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.

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

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

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

