14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 11, 2022



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PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

Cong: Amen.

Pastor: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does. God of mercy and forgiveness,

Cong: we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

Pastor: Beloved of God: our sins are forgiven + and we are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Cong: Amen.

<u>HYMN</u>

The King of Love My Shepherd Is.....ELW #502

- The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;
 I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.
- Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me,
 And on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.
- 4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear Lord, beside me, Thy rod and staff my comfort still; thy cross before to guide me.

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GREETING

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

Cong: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray....

All: O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

HOLY SCRIPTURE

Exodus 32: 7-14 Psalm 51: 1-10 1 Timothy 1: 12-17

Lessons conclusion response: Thanks be to God.

Luke 15: 1-10

Gospel announcement response: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel conclusion response: Praise to you, O Christ.

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SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

- 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.
- 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!
- Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come;
 `Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

APOSTLE'S CREED

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.

PRAYERS

Pastor: As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

Each petition ends with "God of grace " **The response is "Hear our prayer"**

Pastor: Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Cong: Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor: Let us Pray....

All: Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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; 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.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

Cong: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pastor: Let us pray...

All: God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

FINAL BLESSING

Pastor: God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless us with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide us always in faith, hope, and love.

Cong: Amen.

GO FORTH IN SONG

Pastor: Go in peace, with Christ beside us.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

SENDING HYMN

Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak.....LBW #403

- Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in living echoes of your tone;
 As you have sought, so let us seek your straying children, lost and lone.
- Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the wand'ring and the wav'ring feet;
 Oh, feed us, Lord, that we may feed your hung'ring ones with manna sweet.
- 3. Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the precious truths which you impart; And wing our words, that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's **Flowers** are given by Pastor & Kathy in celebration of our 31st Wedding Anniversary.

Today's **Bulletins** are given by Patty & Rich Avery in memory and honor of all victims of 9/11.

Adult Bible Study meets every Wednesday at 7 PM in the lounge. **Sunday morning** Adult Bible Study will **resume September 18th** in Fellowship Hall and will focus on the Sunday scripture lessons. Sunday scripture lessons can be found on our website. Go to **gracelutheranpa.org—click on Readings** and pick the date (*works best on a laptop or PC.*)

Senior Adult Group Will meet for lunch Wednesday, September 21st, 12 Noon at the Grand Valley Inn. Please see Regina Blinn 724-843-7707 for more information/sign-up.

