# 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost October 23, 2022—8:30am



## **Grace Lutheran Church**

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## **Our Mission Statement:**

We are a community of believers in Christ called to be servants to all people.

Page numbers (p.) are in front half of the hymnal. Hymn numbers (#) are in back half of the hymnal. Everyone is invited to join in **bolded responses**. + Please stand as you are able.

## + Gathering +

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

#### **Prelude**

"Guide My Feet" ACS 987

## + Confession and Forgiveness

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

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness, 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.

Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven + and you 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. **Amen.** 

## + Gathering Song

"Better Is One Day"

How lovely is Your dwelling place, O lord Almighty. For my soul longs and even faints for You. For here my heart, is satisfied within your presence. I sing beneath the shadow of your wings.

Refrain:

Better is one day in your courts, better is one day in Your House, better is one day in Your courts, than thousands elsewhere. Better is one day in Your courts, better is one day in Your house, better is one day in your courts, than thousands elsewhere, than thousands elsewhere.

One thing I ask and I would seek: To see Your beauty, to find you in the place your glory dwells. One thing I ask and I would seek: To see your beauty to find you in the place your glory dwells.

My heart and flesh cry out for You, the living God. Your spirit's water to my soul. I've tasted and I've seen, come once again to me, I will draw near to You, I will draw near to You, to You.

Better is one day, better is one day, better is one day than thousands elsewhere. Better is one day, better is one day, better is one day than thousands elsewhere.

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## + Prayer of the Day

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#### + Word +

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

Second Reading 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

+ Gospel Acclamation ELW #172

+ Gospel Reading Luke 18:9-14

Young at Heart Message & Sermon The Rev. Judith Cobb

## + Song of the Day

"Lord, Have Mercy"

Jesus, I've forgotten the words that You have spoken. Promises that burned within my heart have now grown dim. With a doubting heart, I follow the paths of earthly wisdom. Forgive me for my unbelief; renew the fire again.

Refrain: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on me. Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on me.

I have built an altar where I worship things of man. I have taken journeys that have drawn me far from You. Now I am returning to Your mercies ever flowing. Pardon my transgressions; help me love You again.

I have longed to know You - - and Your tender mercies, like a river of forgiveness, ever flowing without end. I bow my heart before You in the goodness of Your presence; Your grace forever shining like a beacon in the night.

Lord, have mercy; Lord have mercy on us; Lord, have mercy; Lord have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy; Lord have mercy on us; Lord, have mercy; Lord have mercy on us.

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## + Apostles' Creed

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#### + Prayers of Intercession

sung refrain: "God Will Make a Way" God will make a way where there seems to be no way; He works in ways we cannot see, He will make a way for me; He will be my guide, hold me closely to His side, with love and strength for each new day; He will make a way, He will make a way.

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#### + Peace

#### +Meal+

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

## Offering

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Checks can be also be sent to church: 521 Providence Rd, Chesapeake, VA 23325



+ Offering Prayer

+ Great Thanksgiving

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+Thanksgiving at the Table

+ Lord's Prayer (sins)

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+ Invitation to Communion

#### Notes about Communion Distribution at Grace

When we're gathered around the table, there is enough food, drink, blessing, space and time for all to share in Holy Communion! GLC practices Eucharistic hospitality since we trust that God welcomes all who come to the table where Christ is both host and meal.

Wine (red) and grape juice (white) are distributed in individual cups. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

If you prefer to stay in the pew, there are prepackaged kits (wine, juice, and gluten free options) available at the sanctuary doors. If you prefer not to receive the wafer and wine/grape juice, you may kneel or stand at the rail with arms folded across your chest to receive a blessing.

## **Communion Song**

"Lamb of God"

Your only Son no sin to hide, but you have sent Him from Your side to walk upon this guilty sod and to become the Lamb of God.

Your gift of love they crucified, they laughed and scorned Him as He died. The humble King, they named a fraud and sacrificed the Lamb of God

**Refrain:** O Lamb of God, Sweet lamb of God, I Love the holy Lamb of

God. O wash me in His precious blood, My Jesus Christ, the

Lamb of God.

I was so lost, I should have died, but you have brought me to your side to be led by Your staff and rod, and to be called the lamb of God.

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## +Sending+

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

## **Blessing**

#### **Announcements**

+ Sending Song "Christ Is Risen"

Let no one caught in sin remain inside the lie of inward shame; but fix our eyes upon the cross, and run to Him, who showed great love and bled for us, freely You've bled for us.

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling over death by death come awake, come awake, come and rise up from the grave. Christ is risen from the dead, we are one with Him again come awake, come awake, come and rise up from the grave.

Beneath the weight of all our sin, You bowed to none but heaven's will; No scheme of hell, no scoffer's crown, no burden great can hold You down. In strength You reign; forever let Your church proclaim:

O death, where is your sting? O hell, where is your victory? O church, come stand in the light; the glory of God has defeated the night.

Singing: O death, where is your sting? O hell, where is your victory? O church, come stand in the light; our God is not dead He's alive, He's alive!

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#### + Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### **Postlude**

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