

# **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.

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+ Please stand as you are able.

### + Gathering +

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

#### **Prelude**

"Come, Thou Almighty King" arr. by Cindy Berry

## + Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.** 

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of  $\pm$  Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves. **Amen.** 

## + Gathering Hymn

ELW #415

# Father Most Holy



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+ Greeting ELW p.94

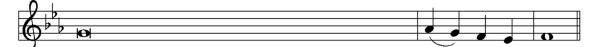
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you**.





In peace, let us pray to the Lord.





For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.





For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

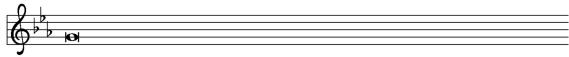


and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

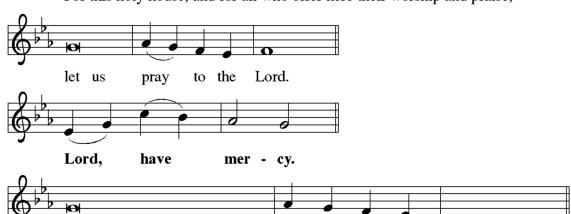


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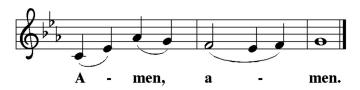
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For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.





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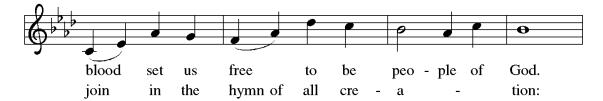


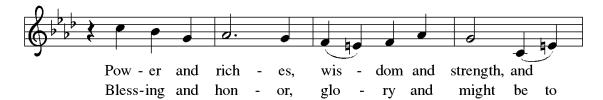


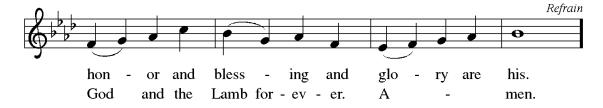
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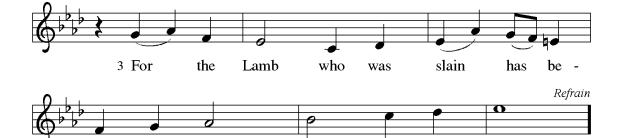
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# + Prayer of the Day

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Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### +Word+

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

### First Reading

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

A reading from Proverbs.

<sup>1</sup>Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? <sup>2</sup>On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; <sup>3</sup>beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: <sup>4</sup>"To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.

<sup>22</sup>The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. <sup>23</sup>Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. <sup>24</sup>When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. <sup>25</sup>Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth— <sup>26</sup>when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil. <sup>27</sup>When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, <sup>28</sup>when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, <sup>29</sup>when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, <sup>30</sup>then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, <sup>31</sup>rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race."

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Psalm 8 ELW #8

Let us recite together Psalm 8 as translated in the Evangelical Lutheran Worship Hymnal.

<sup>1</sup>O LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!—

<sup>2</sup>you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children;

you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.

<sup>3</sup>When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

4what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?

5Yet you have made them little less than divine;

with glory and honor you crown them.

You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:

<sup>7</sup>all flocks and cattle,

even the wild beasts of the field,

8the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,

and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

<sup>9</sup>O LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

### **Second Reading**

Romans 5:1-5

A reading from Romans.

¹Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God



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### + Gospel Reading

John 16:12-15

The holy gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] <sup>12</sup>"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

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

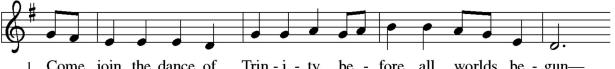
Young at Heart Message & Sermon

The Rev. Leslie D. Weber

### + Hymn of the Day

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# Come, Join the Dance of Trinity



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- 2 Come, see the face of Trin - i - ty, new - born in Beth - le - hem;
- Come, speak a loud of tongues of flame Trin - i - ty, as wind and
- With in the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun,



of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, the in - ter-weav-ing Son. then blood-ied by a crown of thorns out side Je - ru - sa - lem. peo - ple free at Pen - te - cost to tell the Sav - ior's name. set sing the prais - es of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son. we



The u - ni - verse of space and time did not a - rise by chance, Trin - i - ty The is meant for hu - man flesh and bone; dance of We yoke of sin and death, our necks have worn it smooth; know the love and hope set free, Let voic - es rise and in - ter-weave, by



and hope, made room with-in their dance. the Three, in but as love dance in death, God rolls when fear con-fines the a - way the stone. weight and woe that go tell the world of we are free to move! shape in song this joy, this life: the dance of Trin - i - ty. to

Text: Richard Leach, b. 1953

Music: KINGSFOLD, English folk tune

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#### **Welcome of New Members**

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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.

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People of God, do you promise to support and pray for these new members in their life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Let us welcome these sisters and brothers in Christ to this community of faith.

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

### + Prayers of Intercession

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

#### A brief silence.

One God, giver of life, you established peace through your Son and gave your church the hope of sharing in your glory. Enliven us by your Spirit to speak and act in love for the sake of the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.** 

Creator of all, you rejoice in creation and have given humankind responsibility for the works of your hands. Instill in everyone your Spirit of care for the earth, especially in areas threatened by ecological devastation. God of grace, **hear our prayer**.

Loving Redeemer, you delight in the human race. Move the hearts of world leaders to seek wisdom, speak truth, and care for all endangered by poverty, prejudice, or violence. Further the work of international collaboration and peacemaking. God of grace, hear our prayer.

Abiding Comforter, you call out to all who live. Restore severed relationships and protect children who lack trustworthy caregivers. Grant hope to those who are experiencing fear, pain, or grief, especially for those listed on our prayer list and those we name now aloud or silently (pause for names). God of grace, hear our prayer.

Holy God, we remember your saints for their strong faith and witness, even unto death, especially the Emanuel Nine, whom we commemorate this week. Console grieving families. Stir up in us the resolve to end the sin of white supremacy and pursue the courageous path of justice. God of grace, **hear our prayer**.

God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping. **Amen.** 

#### + Peace

#### +Meal+

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

### Offering

Thank you for supporting the mission of the church as you are able! Electronic donations can be made at

https://tithe.ly/give\_new/www/#/tithely/giveone-time/475611.

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

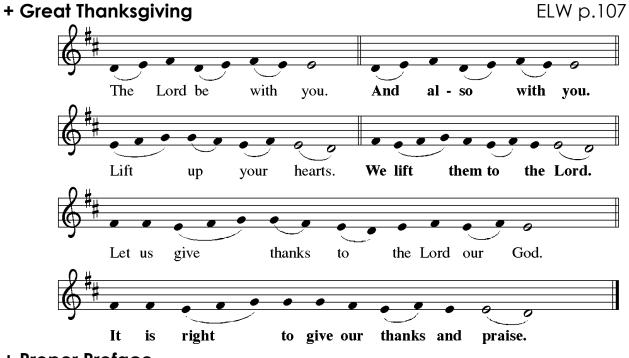


### + Offering Prayer

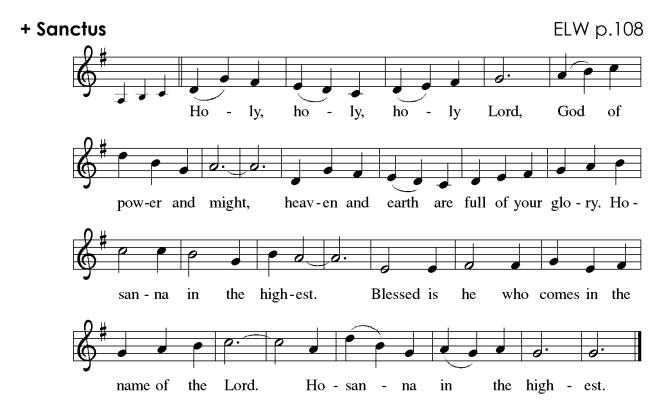
Please stand as you are able. Let us pray.

### A brief silence is kept.

God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. **Amen.** 



# + Proper Preface



## + Thanksgiving at the Table

### + Lord's Prayer

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Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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;

and lead us not into temptation

but deliver us from evil.

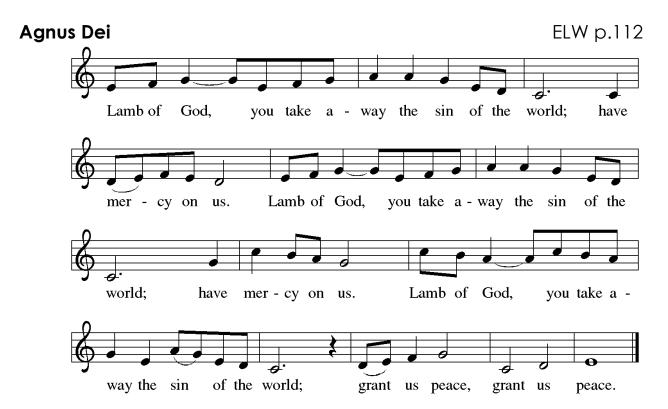
For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen.

#### + Invitation to Communion

In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy. Come to the banquet.



#### 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.

### **Distribution Hymn**

ELW #461

# All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly



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### + Blessing After Communion

### + Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

### A brief silence is kept.

Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. **Amen.** 

### + Sending +

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

#### + Benediction

The God of peace, Father,  $\pm$  Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always. **Amen.** 

#### **Announcements**

## Farewell & Godspeed

+ Sending Hymn

Hymn Lotto

#### + Dismissal

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

#### **Postlude**

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