Grace Lutheran Church 2006 60th Street, Kenosha, Wisconsin 53140 Sunday, June 11, 2023

2nd Sunday after Pentecost Pastor: Rev. Jonathan Barker

Interim Pastor: Rev. Stephen Gifford

Organist: Nancy Brichacek Lay reader: Judy Gregory Communion assisants:

Projectionist: Jarlene Kriehn ELW Holy Communion Setting Four



GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- Blessed be the holy Trinity, → one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.
- C Amen.
- Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors. Merciful God,
- we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.
- P Righteous God,
- we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.
- God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ.
- C Amen.

GATHERING SONG: *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* (ELW #858) vv. 1 & 3

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!

Let all who hear now to his temple draw near, joining in glad adoration!

3: Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;

surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.

Ponder anew what the Almighty can do if with his love he befriend you.

GREETING

- P 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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.
Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.
This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray.
 - O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- G Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Leviticus 19:2, 11–17

A reading from Leviticus.

Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy. You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; and you shall not lie to one another. And you shall not swear falsely by my name, profaning the name of your God: I am the LORD.

You shall not defraud your neighbor; you shall not steal; and you shall not keep for yourself the wages of a laborer until morning. You shall not revile the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind; you shall fear your God: I am the LORD.

You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 15 (read in unison)

LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle?

Who may abide upon your holy hill?

²Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right,

who speak the truth from their heart;

3they do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends;

they do not cast discredit upon a neighbor.

In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the LORD.

They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.

They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the innocent. Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

SECOND READING: Romans 13:8-10

A reading from Romans.

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah* (ELW #172) <u>Halle, Hallelujah</u>

GOSPEL: Luke 10:25-37

P The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" 26He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?"

He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You

have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead.

"Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on

the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

"But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

"The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him;

SERMON: "Love, Being Loved and Loving II"

HYMN OF THE DAY Jesus Loves Me! (ELW #595)

1: Jesus loves me! this I know, for the Bible tells me so; little ones to him belong, they are weak, but he is strong.

Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so. and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.'

"Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?"

He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

- **P** The gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to you, O Christ.
- 2: Jesus loves me! he who died heaven's gates to open wide; he will wash away my sin, let his little child come in. Refrain
- 3: Jesus loves me! he will stay close beside me all the way; when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high. Refrain

CREED

© 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.

VERSE: Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (ELW #752)

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

- Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need. We pray, O God, for the church. Unite us with any on the margins, that the whole world recognizes that your mercy is greater than our human capacity to restrict it. God, in your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- We pray, O God, for creation. Tend forests and fields and safeguard all cattle, birds, and wild animals. Preserve lakes, rivers, and oceans and send rains to water the earth. Revive lands recovering from natural disasters. God, in your mercy,
- **6** hear our prayer.
- We pray, O God, for the nations. Awaken in our leaders compassion for people who have too often felt forgotten or neglected, and inspire policy solutions that promote equity and inclusion. God, in your mercy,
- **©** hear our prayer.

- We pray, O God, for all who are in need. Accompany anyone enduring chronic illness, any who suffer in secret, and those grieving a loved one's death. Send healing for all who plead for relief from sickness or pain, especially:
- Mary Andrews (Welcome Center volunteer)
- Dawn Bench (Welcome Center volunteer)
- Doug Becker (Marlene Binninger's son)
- Pat Bernacchi
- Jackie Brichacek (Nancy's sister-in-law)
- Jean Boothe (Grace soup kitchen supervisor)
- Hank Buehrens
- Andrew Calvert
- Barb Caputo
- Holly Cummings
- Eric Dangerfield (Carolyn Reynold's boyfriend)

- Pastor Rafael Escobedo
- Gregory Foster
- Judy Gregory
- Shirleen Gulick
- Cogan Holly Hall
- Aggie Hartnell (Bert's mother)
- Christine Hill
- Sydney & Skyler Houston
- Dick Kauffman
- Karen Kempinen
- Becky McCarthy (Jarlene's sister)
- Rubel Pierce (Randy's father)
- Carolyn Reynold's children Eddie, Santino, and Lytosha

- Martha, Joel, and Jeanette Sanchez
- Cynthia Schwartz (Norma's daughter)
- Marcia Swanson
- Joyce Swift
- Andrew Tate
- Ron and Linda Wadham
- Steve & Heather Waldron
- Florence and Jacqueline Walker (Carolyn's sisters)
- Timothy Walker
- Dottie Watts
- Chris Webb (Bert's sister)
- Kristi Weiss God, in your mercy,
- **G** hear our prayer.
- We pray, O God, for the eradication of racial hatred. On this week when we commemorate the Emanuel Nine, we implore you to cast out the demons of white supremacy that make us believe lies about ourselves and our neighbors. God, in your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- We give thanks, O God, for Barnabas and all the saints (*especially*). Renew our faith that you can do what you have promised and raise us, with all our beloved dead, to new life. God, in your mercy,
- **6** hear our prayer.
- Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ.
- Amen.

PEACE

MEAL

OFFERING. We Give Thee but Thine Own (ELW #686) We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;

all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

OFFERING PRAYER

- God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **©** We lift them to the Lord.
- Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 153)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation, the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise.

When sin had scarred the world, you sent your Son to heal our ills and to form us again into one.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his acts of healing, his body given up, and his victory over death, we await that day when all the peoples of the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life. Send your Spirit upon us and this meal: as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

- **P** 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

P All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.

VIRTUAL COMMUNION

IN-PERSON COMMUNION

- The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.
- R7 Amen.

COMMUNION SONG (ELW p. 154)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

SONG DURING COMMUNION: Touch That Soothes and Heals: See My Hands and Feet (ACS #939)

1: Touch that soothes and heals the hurting, hands that break a loaf of bread; steps that walk beside the weary, bearing burdens in their stead: Refrain: "See my hands and feet," said Jesus, love arisen from the grave. "Be my hands and feet," said Jesus, "live as ones I died to save."

- 2: Feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit ones in need of care, give the homeless warmth and shelter:
 Christ will find a welcome there. Refrain
- 3: Love and serve without distinction all earth's people, first and least. Know within each act of kindness hope and wholeness are increased. Refrain
- 4: Hands that beckon little children, bind a wound, prepare a meal, feet that rush to share good tidings, Christ arisen, still reveal. Refrain

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

BLESSING

- The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed + bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.
- C Amen.

SENDING SONG: How Great Thou Art (ELW #856) vv. 1 & 4

1: O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed;

Refrain: Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

4: When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation, and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!"

Refrain

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DISMISSAL

- **P** Go in peace. Share the harvest.
- Thanks be to God.

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In the coming weeks, Pastor Stephen will be offering a sermon series themed: Love, Being Loved and Loving, which will explore the mandates in scripture for how God's love is to be embodied in our own ways of loving. In the series, we will look at Loving Neighbor and Self, Loving the Stranger, Loving the Enemy, Loving the Community of Christ, Loving in Family settings and Loving Creation.

Thank you to Jarlene Kriehn for sponsoring worship bulletins in June; and to Judy Gregory for giving the altar flowers this month!

After the worship service today, please join us in the narthex for cake to celebrate Pastor Gifford's 50 years in the ministry.

Thank you to Lincoln Middle School's National Junior Honors Society for putting together eight baskets of diapers and blankets and donating them to our Infant Moses Ministry this week!

Kids Camp is being postponed; August dates are yet to be announced. To help with planning, please see David or Senja Underwood.

Birthdays and anniversaries this week: June 18 — Judy Gregory



Pastor Barker is on family leave through July 16.	June 4 offerings/receipts	
During this time, Rev. Stephen Gifford is Grace's	General	\$ 1,070.00
Interim Pastor. In case of emergency, please	Benevolence	\$ 5.00
contact Pastor Barker through Pastor Stephen	Grace Notes postage	\$ 5.00
(262-308-8269). For everything else, Pastor	Pastor's benefits package	\$ 165.00
Stephen and church council have the resources to	From friends:	
make appropriate decisions. Dawn Houston: 262-	General	\$ 250.00
960-6363. Bert Felland: 262-945-0771.	Pastor's benefits package	\$ 2,000.00
Church council will meet after the worship service this morning.	Welcome Center	\$ 100.00
	Minus internet fees	\$ (16.97)
	Total	3,578.03

Attendance June 4: ≥ 23

Opportunities This Week at Grace

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Sunday, June 11	St. Barnabas 9:30 am 11:00 am 7:00 pm	Worship service Church council meeting NA	sanctuary/Facebook library/Zoom library/Rainbow Room
Monday, June 12	Office closed 8:00 am - noon 8:00 am	Food pantry volunteers Prayer group	Rainbow room, kitchen, AV room library/sanctuary
Tuesday, June 13			Rainbow room, kitchen, AV room front lawn, parking lot
Wednesday, June 14	Flag Day. Office hours 9:00-2:00		
Thursday, June 15		2:00 Grace Welcome Center breakf Infant Moses diaper ministry	
Friday, June 16	Office hours 9:00-2 8:00-9:00 am	2:00 Welcome Center breakfast	front lawn
Saturday, June 17			
Sunday, June 18	Fathers Day 9:30 am 7:00 pm	Worship service NA	sanctuary/Facebook library