

Grace Lutheran Church  
2006 60<sup>th</sup> Street, Kenosha, Wisconsin 53140-3893  
August 25, 2024 • 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
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## GATHERING

### WELCOME

- ☐ Good morning! Grace Lutheran wishes to acknowledge and honor the Potawatomi people, upon whose ancestral homelands we gather for worship this morning, as well as all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to care for this place — this land — and call it their home.

WELCOME SONG — Carolyn Reynolds

### AFFIRMATION OF WELCOME STATEMENT

- ☐ Let us affirm our welcome statement.
- ☑ **Grace Lutheran Church commits to live as a community of people seeking reconciliation and wholeness in our life together and in our ongoing outreach to the world. We commit to the work of anti-racism, anti-ableism, liberation, and environmental justice for all of God's beloveds.**

We affirm the sacredness of people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and

gender expressions. We affirm the sacredness of all those who have experienced exclusion because of race, culture, disability, age, or physical demeanor. We affirm the sacredness of those who wrestle with addiction, physical or mental health, imprisonment, socio-economic circumstances, or anything that too often divides us.

You are absolutely invited to share your gifts as you join us in this lifelong journey. We welcome and embrace all who are seeking God's love and grace. We need each other and our sincere hope is by being in community together we will know the kingdom of God has come near.

### "JESUS LOVES THE LITTLE CHILDREN"

*Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world. Every identity and every race. All are worthy of his grace. Jesus loves the little children of the world.*

## WORD

### READING: Jeremiah 1:1–10

📖 A reading from Jeremiah:

**J**he words of Jeremiah son of Hilkiyah, of the priests who were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, to whom the word of the LORD came in the days of King Josiah son of Amon of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign. It came also in the days of King Jehoiakim son of Josiah of Judah, and until the end of the eleventh year of King Zedekiah son of Josiah of Judah, until the captivity of Jerusalem in the fifth month.

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy."

But the LORD said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you.

Do not be afraid of them,

for I am with you to deliver you,  
says the LORD."

Then the LORD put out his hand and  
touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,  
Now I have put my words in your mouth.  
See, today I appoint you over nations and over  
kingdoms,  
to pluck up and to pull down,  
to destroy and to overthrow,  
to build and to plant.



The word of the Lord.



**Thanks be to God.**

## YOUTH MESSAGE; SERMON

### HYMN OF THE DAY: "INSTRUMENT OF PEACE

Refrain: **Lord make me an instrument of peace**  
**An instrument of peace** (repeat)

**1: Where is there hatred let me sow love**  
**Where there is darkness let me sow light**  
**For in the giving we shall receive**  
**And in the dying we're given life.** Refrain

**2: Where there is sorrow, let me sow hope.**  
**Where there is doubt, let me sow faith.**  
**Where there is injury, your pardon give**  
**Your consolation to those in pain.** Refrain

Coda: **Amen Amen**

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**PEACE** (ELW p. 206)

- The peace of Christ be with you always.
- And also with you.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## MEAL

### OFFERING PRAYER

- Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

**Amen.**

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION (ELW p. 207)

- 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.

### LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

***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 debts***  
***As we forgive our debtors***  
***And lead us not into temptation***

***But deliver us from evil***  
***For thine is the kingdom***  
***The power and the glory forever***  
***And ever. Amen***

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### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

*All are welcome at Christ's table. It is by Christ's invitation that we are able to receive his body and blood in the sacrament.*

### COMMUNION

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

### "SPIRIT MOVE"

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### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

☑ Amen.

## SENDING

**BLESSING** (sung)

“JOHN 13:34-35”

Verse: *A New Commandment I give to you  
That you love one another  
Just as I have loved you.* Repeat.

Chorus: *You ought to love one another,  
Love one another, love one another.*

Verse: *A New Commandment I give to you  
That you love one another  
Just as I have loved you.*

Repeat verse; repeat chorus.

Bridge: *By this all people will know that you are  
my disciples*

*If you have love for one another.*

Repeat twice. Chorus. Verse again.

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## DISMISSAL

☑ Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

☑ **Thanks be to God.**

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## OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, August 25	Pastor Barker at church		
	9:30 am	Worship service	3802 25 <sup>th</sup> Street/Facebook
	7:00 pm	NA	library
Monday, August 26	Pastor Barker at church		
	9:00 am-noon	Welcome Center volunteers	lower level
	9:00 am	Prayer group	library
Tuesday, August 27	Pastor Barker at church. Paul in office 9:00-2:00		
	8:00 am-noon	Welcome Center volunteers	lower level
	4:00-5:30 pm	Welcome Center food pantry	courtyard, parking lot
Wednesday, Aug. 28	Pastor Barker at home. Paul in office 9:00-2:00		
Thursday, August 29	Pastor Barker at home. Office hours 9:00-2:00		
	8:30-9:15 am	Welcome Center breakfast	Rainbow Room, gym
	2:00-5:00 pm	Infant Moses diaper ministry	Room 102
Friday, August 30	Pastor Barker at home. Office hours 9:00-2:00		
	8:30-9:15 am	Welcome Center breakfast	Rainbow Room, gym
Saturday, August 31	Pastor Barker at church		
Sunday, September 1	Pastor Barker at church		
	9:30 am	Worship service	parking lot/sanctuary/Facebook
	7:00 pm	NA	library

Thank you to Brian & Bert Felland for giving the altar flowers and sponsoring Sunday bulletins in August for the glory of God and in celebration of their anniversary.

L’Arche will meet in the church narthex at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 9.

Attendance last Sunday: ≥27 in person, ≥3 on line.

Birthdays and anniversaries this week:

Amelia Carlson, August 25

Kenneth & Jacqueline Wermeling,

August 25 (28)

Brian & Bert Felland, August 27 (41)

Rae and Rev. Barker thank their dear brothers Greg and Randy for throwing a beautiful ten-year anniversary party last Sunday! Thank you so much for surrounding us with love on this special day!

Join the Rainbow Forward Task Force for September's Queer Liberation Studies, Wednesday, September 4, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Bradford Community Church. This week: "Mary, the Badass Mother of God."

The Greater Milwaukee Synod's weekly e-news is the best way to get the latest official news and event information from the synod office, which especially encourages pastors, deacons and lay leaders from Greater Milwaukee Synod congregations to sign up, at <https://milwaukee-synod.org/connect/subscribe/>

Our Harmony Club Inc. 501(c)(3) respite care provider has openings at all five locations in Racine, Kenosha, and Lyons. If you are caring for a loved one with age related challenges such as Alzheimer's and other dementias, Parkinsons, or social isolation, please call them. They can provide six hours of respite

care at each site. You can find detailed information on their website at: [www.ourharmonyclub.org](http://www.ourharmonyclub.org). Call Dawn Vlach at 262-880-5301 or Danielle Branley at 254-319-2535.

Registration is open for Outreach for Hope's 2024 Family Ride Run Walk fundraiser. Join all of your friends the morning of Saturday September 21, for road and trail bike ride, walking and running routes, followed by a picnic lunch and fellowship. Like last year, the Racine-Kenosha event site is at Petrifying Springs Park, site 3.

Receipts last week:

General offering.....	\$ 1,811.00
Benevolence .....	\$ 205.00
Infant Moses Ministry .....	\$ 200.00
From friends of the congregation:	
General offering.....	\$ 400.00
Holy Assembly building usage.....	\$ 500.00
<u>Minus on-line banking fees .....</u>	<u>\$ (0.00)</u>
Total .....	\$ 3,116.00
Grace weekly budget in 2024:	\$ 3,851.39

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