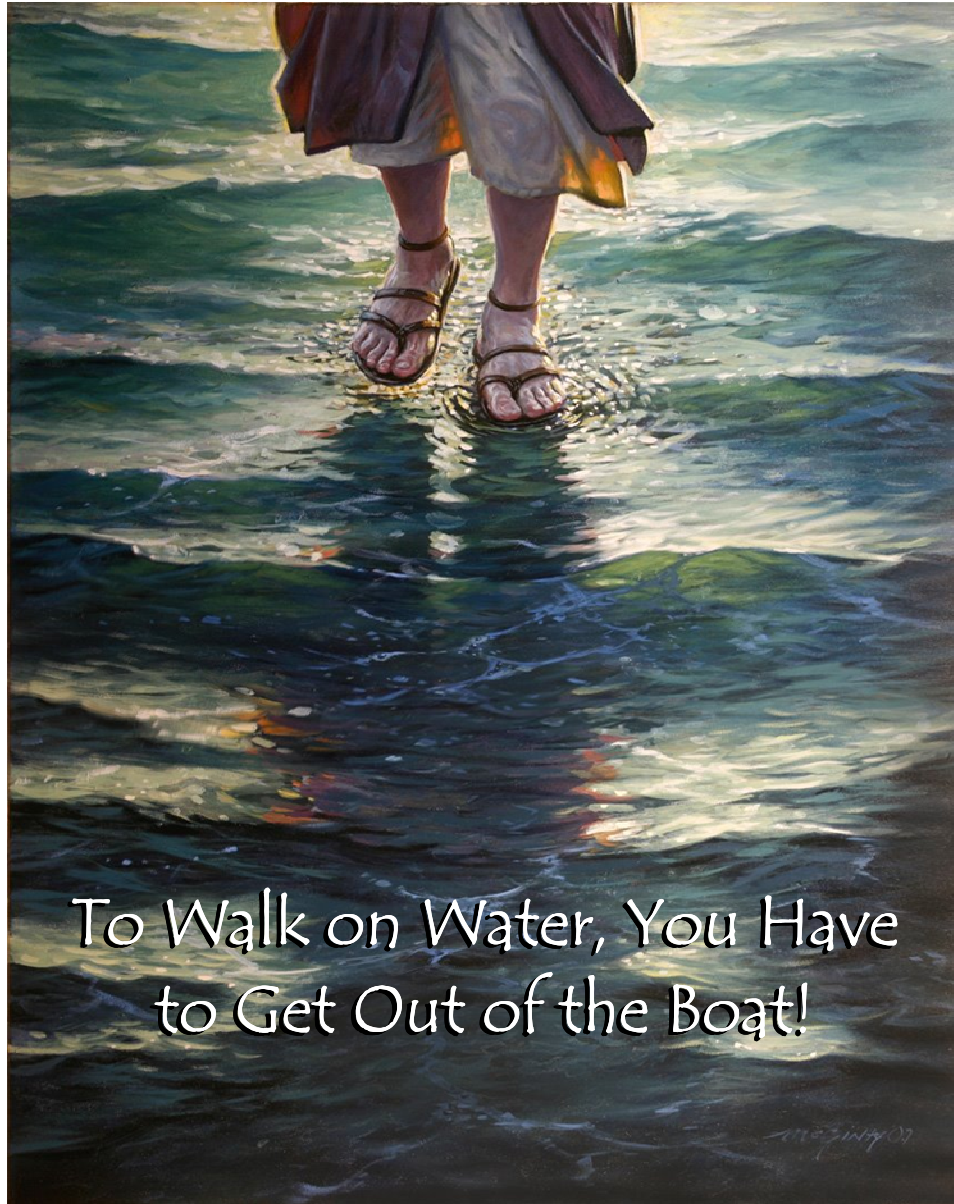


# Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

September 4, 2011



*From the fullness of his GRACE we have all received one blessing after another.*

*John 1:16*

**PRESERVICE MUSIC**

**7:45 AM**

**How Deep the Father's Love for Us**  
*Arr. by Carol Tornquist*

**10:00 AM**

**Fugue**  
*Arr. by Samuel Long*



**SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT**  
*Christian Worship*

**WELCOME**

**HYMN**

**Father, We Praise You**  
*Christian Worship #581*

**STAND**

**MINISTER:** The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**CONGREGATION:** And also with you.

**CONFESSIONS OF SINS**

**M:** God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

**C:** **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

**M:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

### LORD, HAVE MERCY

#### *Kyrie*

**M:** For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



**M:** For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



**M:** For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

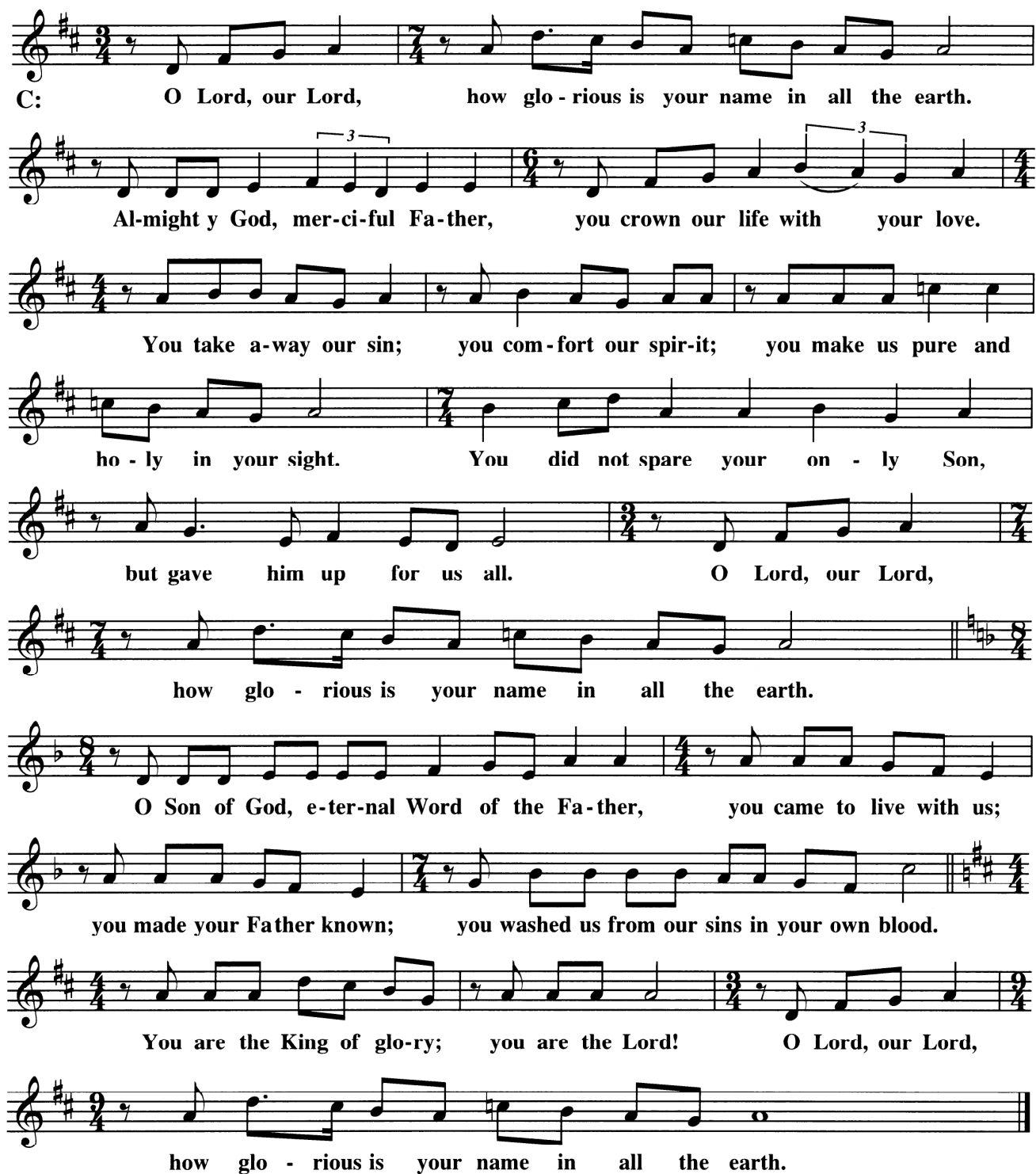


**M:** Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



**M:** The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

## O LORD, OUR LORD



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

Al-might y God, mer-ci-ful Fa-ther, you crown our life with your love.

You take a-way our sin; you com-fort our spir-it; you make us pure and

ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,

but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,

how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

O Son of God, e-ter-nal Word of the Fa-ther, you came to live with us;

you made your Father known; you washed us from our sins in your own blood.

You are the King of glo-ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,

how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**BE SEATED**

## THE WORD

### FIRST LESSON

### Exodus 14:10-31

As Pharaoh approached, the Israelites looked up, and there were the Egyptians, marching after them. They were terrified and cried out to the LORD. They said to Moses, “Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you brought us to the desert to die? What have you done to us by bringing us out of Egypt? Didn’t we say to you in Egypt, ‘Leave us alone; let us serve the Egyptians’? It would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the desert!” Moses answered the people, “Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the LORD will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again. The LORD will fight for you; you need only to be still.” Then the LORD said to Moses, “Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to move on. Raise your staff and stretch out your hand over the sea to divide the water so that the Israelites can go through the sea on dry ground. I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they will go in after them. And I will gain glory through Pharaoh and all his army, through his chariots and his horsemen. The Egyptians will know that I am the LORD when I gain glory through Pharaoh, his chariots and his horsemen.” Then the angel of God, who had been traveling in front of Israel’s army, withdrew and went behind them. The pillar of cloud also moved from in front and stood behind them, coming between the armies of Egypt and Israel. Throughout the night the cloud brought darkness to the one side and light to the other side; so neither went near the other all night long. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and all

that night the LORD drove the sea back with a strong east wind and turned it into dry land. The waters were divided, and the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued them, and all Pharaoh’s horses and chariots and horsemen followed them into the sea. During the last watch of the night the LORD looked down from the pillar of fire and cloud at the Egyptian army and threw it into confusion. He made the wheels of their chariots come off so that they had difficulty driving. And the Egyptians said, “Let’s get away from the Israelites! The LORD is fighting for them against Egypt.” Then the LORD said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand over the sea so that the waters may flow back over the Egyptians and their chariots and horsemen.” Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at daybreak the sea went back to its place. The Egyptians were fleeing toward it, and the LORD swept them into the sea. The water flowed back and covered the chariots and horsemen—the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed the Israelites into the sea. Not one of them survived. But the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left. That day the LORD saved Israel from the hands of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the shore. And when the Israelites saw the great power the LORD displayed against the Egyptians, the people feared the LORD and put their trust in him and in Moses his servant.

## SECOND LESSON

James 1:2-8, 12

Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything. If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him. But when he asks, he must believe and

not doubt, because he who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. That man should not think he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a double-minded man, unstable in all he does...Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! These words are  
writ - ten that we may be - lieve that Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of  
God. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## STAND

## GOSPEL

Matthew 14:22-33

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." "Lord, if it's you,"

Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." "Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?" And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

**BE SEATED**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less**  
*Christian Worship #382*

**SERMON**

**Matthew 14:22-33**  
**To Walk on Water, You Have to Get Out of the Boat**

**STAND**

**NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**BE SEATED**

**OFFERING** *Members of Grace respond to their Savior's love with offerings that are given joyfully, generously, regularly, and in a way that is proportionate to how the Lord has blessed them. Their cheerful gifts support the mission and ministry of our congregation. If you are a guest today, please know that we do not expect you to contribute to our congregation's work. However, if you would like to give an offering to the Lord in response to his love to you, we are happy to receive it and put it to work in God's kingdom.*

*Please fill out the Friendship Register located in the red folder at the end of the pew and pass it along. Thank You!*

**OFFERTORY MUSIC**

**7:45 AM**

**O Lord, We Praise You**  
*Arr. by Otto Schenk*

**10:00 AM**

**Cantate Domino**  
**"Sing a New Song to the Lord"**  
*By Rebecca Kramer*

**STAND**

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**M:** Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.

**C:** **Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.**

**M:** Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

**C:** **Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

**M:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

**M:** Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C:** **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

**C:** **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

*7:45 AM - Please continue on page 9 with the Words of Institution.*

## THE SACRAMENT

**M:** The Lord be with you.





M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

### *Sanctus*



C: Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is



full of your glo - ry. You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks for you have be - come my sal - va - tion.



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is



full of your glo - - - ry.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

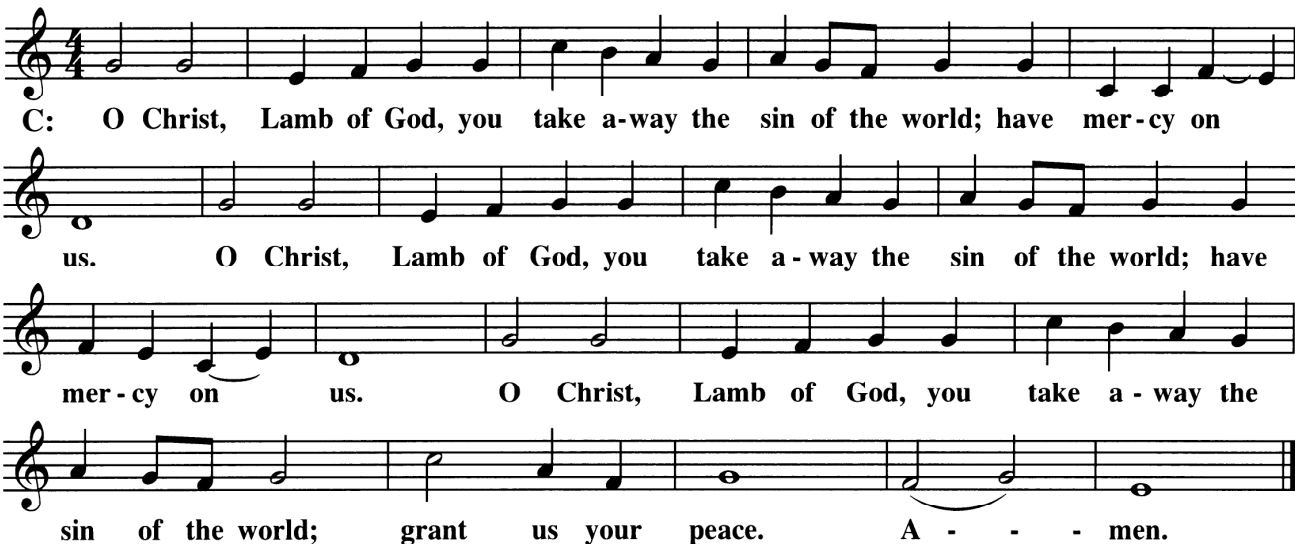
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.



## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

*Agnus Dei*



**BE SEATED**

## DISTRIBUTION

*Our church practices "Member Communion." If you are a guest today and are a confirmed member of another WELS church, we invite you to the Lord's Table with us. If you are a guest today and are not a member of one of our Wisconsin Synod churches, we ask that you would speak to one of the pastors after church today or at some other time to discuss receiving the Lord's Supper with us in the future.*

**DISTRIBUTION MUSIC**

**7:45 AM**

**Take and Eat**  
*Christian Worship Supplement #741*

STAND

## THANKSGIVING

## THANK THE LORD

C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev - 'ry-one what he has done.

Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud - ly bear his name.

He re - news his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with

shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

**M:** Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.  
The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

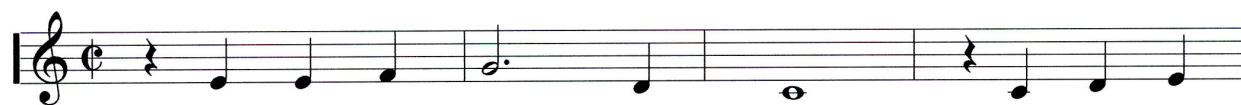
C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

BE SEATED


ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CLOSING HYMN**—*The choir will sing the first stanza once all the way through. The congregation is asked to repeat stanza 1 and continue with stanzas 2 & 3.*


## For Grace We Thank You, Lord




1. For grace we thank you, Lord For glo - rious  
 2. For grace in Christ, your Son Sent by your  
 3. For grace that comes to us, Grace in your




grace so free - ly giv - en, through the One you love  
 love, for sins for - giv - en, for our re - demp - tion  
 Word, your Sac - ra - ments, so un - de - served you come



Set a - part from birth, called by mer - cy,  
 For the bless - ings of life e - ter - nal,  
 Make us ho - ly by your Spir - it



We praise Your grace!  
 On - ly by grace!  
 All by your grace!



*Refrain*  
 From your full - ness we've re - ceived grace u - pon grace and



bless - ing af - ter bless - ing. Lord, we praise your name!

*This hymn emphasizes God's abounding grace  
 as he has called us to be his children through faith in Christ's saving work,  
 keeps us in faith through the means of grace,  
 and blesses us in our family of faith.*

*From the fullness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another.  
 John 1:16*

POSTLUDE

7:45 AM

All Depends on Our Possessing  
*Christian Worship #421*

10:00 AM

I Sing the Mighty Power of God  
*By Mark Hayes*

### THOSE ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher ..... Pastor Colin Rieke, *Grace's Mission Pastor to Vail*  
Worship Leader ..... Pastor Ron Koehler  
Communion Assistants ..... Pastor Nathan Kassulke,  
Pastor Mark Hallemeyer  
Worship Choir Director ..... Teri Guenther  
Accompanists ..... Gloria Gerds (7:45 AM)  
Elaine Goldie (10:00 AM)  
Sound & Recording Tech ..... Chris Stuhr (10:00 AM)

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### Anniversary Hymn Practice

For those of you who would like to practice the Anniversary Hymn that will be sung at the two upcoming Anniversary Services, there will be a small group of vocalists and instrumentalists running through it after the 10:00 AM service **TODAY**.

### Interested in Playing the Handbells?

We would like to get our handbell group started and are in need of people interested in playing! If you might be interested in playing or learning to play the handbells please speak with the director, Jenna Denzler, at the front of church **TODAY** after the 10:00 AM service.



Jenna Denzler,  
Director

### Women of Grace Fall Meeting Date Has Changed!

Due to a conflict with the Women's Retreat at Deer Valley in Phoenix, the WOG Fall Meeting which was scheduled for September 24 will now be **September 18 after the 10:00 AM worship service in the sanctuary**. This will just be a business meeting. After enjoying some coffee and cookies at the coffee fellowship, please make your way back into the church for the meeting (please refrain from bringing food or drinks into the sanctuary).

### Choir This Week

The choir is preparing for our special 100th anniversary services. What a blessing from God to sing praises in thanksgiving for 100 years of His grace! If EVER you have considered joining choir here at Grace, this is the time! We invite ALL members confirmation age and up! **Practice is this Thursday, September 8 @ 6:30 PM!**

### A Simple and Convenient Way to Give

This Fall, consider signing up for electronic giving. Grace relies on the generous offerings of the Lord's people and electronic giving offers an easy way to give on a recurring basis. Please contact the church office for details, 623-6633.



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**To Aid You in Worship...**

- LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX. ASK A GREETER OR USHER FOR A COPY.
- *For those with young children:* A private Mother's Room is located across the courtyard in the Ladies' Restroom. Parents of young children may also use the Child Care Room in the basement at any time to quiet and care for them (the service can be heard in both locations).
- Sermon copies & service CDs are available in the narthex.

## Welcome to Grace!

**Our mission at Grace** is to teach the inspired and inerrant Word of God, to proclaim that Jesus Christ is the crucified and risen Savior of the world and to nurture believers for lives of Christian service.

### Holy Communion

There are before-communion and after-communion prayers in our Christian Worship hymnal on p. 11, and a personal preparation guide on p.156 to help prepare you to receive the Lord's Supper. Guests and visitors, please see p. 9 in today's worship folder under "Distribution" for information about our practice of Member Communion.

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***Read Ahead for Next Sunday:***

Joshua 2:8-21  
Romans 11:13-15, 28-32  
Matthew 15:21-28

***Next Sun. Sermon Text & Theme:***

Romans 11:13-15, 28-32  
*God Has Mercy on Us All*

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### You Are Invited

You are invited to a coffee fellowship following 10:00 AM worship today hosted by the Miller Family. Please join us in the courtyard.

### Cheer on the ALA Coyotes!



This Tuesday, the Arizona Lutheran Academy Junior Varsity football team (which includes Grace members Danny Koehler and Josiah Weinstein) will be in Tucson to play the Pusch Ridge Lions at Pusch Ridge Christian Academy (9500 N. Oracle Road). The game starts at 6:00 PM. Come out and cheer them on (wear black)!

### Anniversary Service

Please plan to join us next Sunday, September 11 at 3:00 PM, to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Grace Lutheran Church. Rev. Jon Buchholz, our District President and a son of our congregation, will preach.

**Please RSVP on the sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall  
TODAY if you plan to attend the September 11  
dinner following the service!**

### Fruit Platters and Kitchen Help Needed for Anniversary Service

The Anniversary Committee is planning the meal for next Sunday following the Anniversary Service and is asking for donations of fruit platters and help setting up the kitchen and the food service tables. There are two different sign-up sheets in the Fellowship Hall, one if you can make a fruit platter and the other for volunteers to help with the tables and kitchen set-up.

## This Week's Schedule (9/4/11 - 9/11/11)

### Today

- Worship Services/Communion.....7:45 & 10:00a
- Children's Sunday School .....8:45a
- Youth Confirmation Class .....8:45a
- Adult Bible Class: *The Life of Christ: The Child Jesus*.....9:00a
- Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study* .....9:00a
- Coffee Fellowship Following 10 AM Worship.....
- WELS Tucson Campus Ministry..... 7:00p

### Tuesday

- ALA JV Football at Pusch Ridge** ..... 6:00p

### Wednesday

- Grace Extension Meeting.....9:00a
- Midweek Bible Class: *Church History*..... 10:00a
- Wind Ensemble ..... 5:30p
- Midweek Bible Class: *Church History*..... 6:45p
- NEW!** Bible Study in Vail..... 7:00p

### Thursday

- Women's Bible Study: *Prayer* ..... 9:00a
- Worship Choir .....6:30p
- Men's Bible Study .....6:30p

### Saturday

- Christian Fellowship @ Cody's Beef & Beans** ..... 12:00p

### Sunday

- Worship Services.....7:45 & 10:00a
- Children's Sunday School .....8:45a
- Youth Confirmation Class.....8:45a
- Adult Bible Class: *The Life of Christ: The Child Jesus* .....9:00a
- Lifeliners (High School Group): *Bible Study* .....9:00a
- Coffee Fellowship Following 10 AM Worship.....
- 100th Anniversary Service Followed by a Meal** .....3:00p
- NO** WELS Tucson Campus Ministry .....

### New Bible Study in Vail

Pastor Rieke will be starting up a new Bible study at the home of Eric & Julie Prigge (5391 S. Black Falls Dr, 85747) this Wednesday, September 7 at 7:00 PM. They will be going through the book "Prepared to Answer." All are welcome to join!

### Men's Fellowship & Devotional Events!

On Thursday evenings (2nd, 3rd, and 4th Thursday of each month) we will be gathering to discuss the roles and responsibilities of a Christian man in today's world. We will also be doing various fellowship events to have fun and encourage each other. **Please join us in the Grace Fellowship Hall this Thursday, September 8 at 7:30 PM for a men's Bible Study.**

### Women's Bible Study

Join Pastor Koehler and your sisters in Christ Thursdays at 9:00 AM for a series of discussions on Prayer. We are using the People's Bible Teaching book *Prayer—An Audience with the King* as our guide. If you've ever wondered HOW to pray, WHY to pray, WHAT prayer is (and is not!), this is the class for you. Your prayer life is very important to God. Come hear him tell you why.

### NEW! Grow in Grace Class Starting Soon

Pastor Clemons will be starting a new Grow in Grace class Sunday, September 18 at 9:00 AM in the conference room in the Church Office. Contact Pastor Clemons if you plan on attending, 623-6633.

### Financial Peace University

Members of Grace and guests alike have benefitted from Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University (FPU). We have offered this 13 week financial management course regularly over the last several years. **Two new classes are scheduled to start soon.** One class will be at Pastor Rieke's house in Vail (10596 E. Pleasant Pasture Dr, 85747) **starting this Wednesday, September 7, from 12:00-2:00 PM.** The other class will be in the Fellowship Hall on **Thursdays, 6:30-8:30 PM beginning September 15.** For more information or to register, please contact the Church Office at 623-6633 or visit [www.GraceTucsonWELS.com/fpu](http://www.GraceTucsonWELS.com/fpu).



## Free Scrip!

If you have never purchased Scrip (fundraising gift cards), or at least not in the last year, you need to stop by the Scrip table in the courtyard today! The first 12 individuals (one per family) will receive a FREE Scrip card and information about the program. All we ask is that you try it and see how easy it is to use! Scrip profits are paid by the merchant whose card you are purchasing – NOT you! You just spend money as usual and the places at which you shop donate the funds - no extra cost to you! See Vic and Lois Thornton (after early service and after Bible Class) or Debbie Koehler (after late service) today!

## Going Out for Lunch? Having Dinner Out this Week?

Just a few of the restaurants included in the Scrip Gift Card Program are Applebee's, Black Angus, Cheesecake Factory, Chipotle, Chili's/On the Border/Macaroni Grill, Mimi's Café, Olive Garden/Red Lobster, **Paradise Bakery (NEW!)**, and Texas Roadhouse. Visit Vic & Lois Thornton (after early service and after Bible Class) or Debbie Koehler (after late service) at the Scrip table in the courtyard to make your purchases! Questions about Scrip? We're happy to help!

## Christian Fellowship Group

Please join your Christian friends for good food and fellowship at Cody's Beef 'N Beans (2708 E. Ft. Lowell Rd) this Saturday, September 10 at noon. *The Christian Fellowship Group provides people 55 and older with an opportunity to enjoy the company of others on a very informal basis.*

## Dear Valley Lutheran Church Women's Retreat

Deer Valley Lutheran Church is hosting a Women's Retreat Saturday, September 24, from 8:30 AM-2:00 PM. The theme this year is "You Are What You Wear," and the guest speaker is our very own Mary Clemons! The DVLC Players will present "Festival of Fashion" — a special fashion show you'll have to see to believe! A continental breakfast and luncheon are also included in the day. The suggested door donation is \$5. You can register online at [www.deervalley.org](http://www.deervalley.org) or call (623) 581-1198.

## 100th Anniversary Cookbooks Available

Celebrate our 100th anniversary with a new Grace cookbook! Cookbooks will be available in the courtyard after the 7:45 AM and 10:00 AM services today. Suggested donation for the books is \$10.

## LWMS Fall Rally

The fall rally of the Grand Canyon Circuit of LWMS will be held at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Tempe on October 1. There is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall if you plan on attending. Registration fee is \$10 which includes lunch and should be given to Sue Sargent no later than September 11. More information can be found in the Women of Grace display case in the courtyard. You can also talk to Sue Sargent (647-3049) or Dorothy Rauh (296-8840) if you have further questions.

## Prayers and Donations for the Rerecich Family

Addison Rerecich, a member at Redeemer and classmate of several of our Grace children, has been hospitalized for some time at UMC. Unfortunately, she is now in need of new lungs and is currently on the transplant waiting list. Her family has set up an account where donations can be sent directly to help with the hospital expenses. If you would like to donate funds for the Rerecich family contact Cora in the church office (623-6633) for more information, or you can also call Teri Guenther (235-1177). Please keep Addison and her family in your prayers.