FROM THE **RISING OF** THE SUN TO ITS SETTING, THE NAME OF THE LORD IS TO BE **PRAISED PSALM 113:3** 

# **Grace Lutheran Church**

Companion Congregation: Msindo Parish in Tanzania

## Welcome to Worship Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 4, 2024 9:00 a.m. Liturgical worship with piano Setting 10

#### OUR STATEMENT OF MISSION

# Grace Lutheran Church is a community of faith, centered in worship, held in grace, strengthened in love, sent forth in mission, in Jesus' name.

**Welcome!** If this is your first time worshiping at Grace Lutheran, we're glad you are here!

You can learn more about our congregation

- •on our website at www.gracedm.org
- •by asking a greeter or other members of the congregation
- •picking up one of our brief brochures from the Visitor Center in the Gathering Hall, or newsletters in the Entryway.

Worship Online: During times when we are online-only, or when you cannot be with us in person, you can participate in worship on our website or Facebook page @gracelutherandm .

We worship together in many ways: Standing, sitting, singing, speaking, listening. You are invited to worship in as many (or few) ways as you are comfortable and able. When following along in the bulletin, the congregation is invited to read the items in bold (often marked with a C:) aloud.

Large print bulletins are available from the ushers.

**Children belong and are welcome in worship!** Children's bulletins are available from the ushers, and activity bags are available outside the doors to the sanctuary. If needed, the **Kids Corner** in the Gathering Hall has puzzles, books, coloring pages and Megablocks! This space is intended to offer a place for children to be and play if they need to step of out of worship and during fellowship times.

**Communion – We welcome all people to the Lord's table** to receive Holy Communion. Children ages 3 and above are welcome at the parents' discretion, after meeting for instruction with the pastor. Children not instructed are invited to come forward for a blessing. If you are not able to come forward to take communion, please notify an usher before the service. Then try to sit by the aisle and the pastor will commune you in your pew.

*If you are interested in finding out more about membership at Grace, please contact Pastor Mike at Mike@gracedm.org, 515-276-6873.* 

Prelude "Give Me Jesus" African American spiritual, arr. David M. Cherwien

#### Welcome

Please stand as you are able Confession and Forgiveness L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. C: Amen.

L: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: God, our provider,

C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

L: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **C: Amen.** 

C. Amen.

Gathering Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" #858

#### Greeting

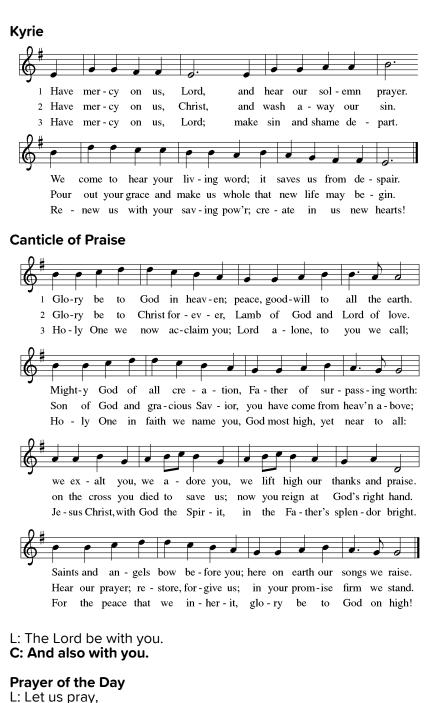
L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.** 

#### **Gathering Hymn**

We are a "singing church," so we follow the advice of the apostle Paul to teach and admonish "one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord" (Colossians 3:16).

#### Kyrie

In Mark 10 we hear of Jesus' journey through Jericho to Jerusalem where he encounters Bartimaeus, a blind man, who hears this is Jesus and shouts, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me." From that time to the present, Jesus' followers have prayed that same prayer to God: "Kyrie Eleison" ("Lord, have mercy"). We are totally dependent upon God, so we pray for mercy in every aspect of life.



C: O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place

your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this	
world in all its need with the life that comes only from you,	
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.	

#### Please be seated

#### Psalm 113

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD.

- <sup>2</sup> Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time on and forevermore.
- <sup>3</sup> From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised.
- <sup>4</sup> The LORD is high above all nations and his glory above the heavens.
- <sup>5</sup> Who is like the LORD our God, who is seated on high,
- <sup>6</sup> who looks far down on the heavens and the earth?

<sup>7</sup>He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap,

- <sup>8</sup> to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people.
- <sup>9</sup>He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children. Praise the LORD!

#### Sermon

Please stand as you are able Hymn of the Day "Soli Deo Gloria"

#878

#### 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.

#### Creed

The Creed is our response to God's speaking to us. Martyrs and saints have been confessing this creed since 325 A.D. The word "creed" comes from the Latin "credo" which means, "I believe!"

#### Prayers of the People

This prayer in the service follows the directive of the Apostle Paul to young Timothy, a pastor: "I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone – for Kings and all those in authority, that we may live in peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness."

#### Offering

As Lutherans, we believe that Christian giving is about worship AND action. As an option to the offering plate, scan this QR code to access our secure digital offering plate.



#### Lord's Prayer

We gather in prayer in response to the gospel heard in the proclamation that this meal is given "for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin." We find ourselves at the very

#### Prayers of the People L: Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

L: We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping. **C: Amen.** 

All: God of love, have mercy on us. Pour out your Spirit upon us. Center us in worship. Hold us in grace. Strengthen us in love. Send us forth in mission. In Jesus' holy name. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all,

C: And also with you!

Please be seated Announcements

### Please stand as you are able

Offering Prayer

L: Let us pray,

C: 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.

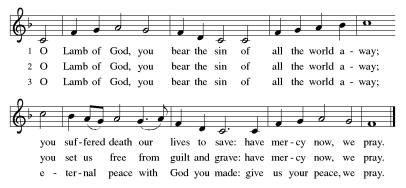
Thanksgiving at the Table L: In the night in which he was betrayed...

L: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray. Lord's Prayer Our Father in heaven. hallowed be your name, vour 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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the alory are yours. now and forever. Amen.

#### **Invitation to Communion**

L: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come! Please be seated

#### Lamb of God



#### Distribution Hymns: #616 (3x), #712, #779, #482

### Please stand as you are able

#### Prayer after Communion

L: 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.

#### C: Amen

#### Blessing

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

#### C: Amen

Sending Hymn "When In Our Music God is Glorified"

#851

#### **Dismissal** L: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **C: Thanks be to God.**

# Postlude"All Things Bright and Beautiful"17th century English tune, arr. David M. Cherwien

heart of the gospel message. Christ not only speaks to us in the supper, but gives us what he is speaking about: his body and blood for the foraiveness of sins. Communion Today we will receive Holy Communion through wafers and pouring chalice. The line forms from the front pews to the back, with the ambo side of the aisle going first followed by the organ side. Please use the hand sanitizer provided and take a cup from the tray. Then proceed to receive the glutenfree wafer .Both wine and grape juice will be available. Please place your cup in the basket by the side aisle as you return to the pew. Blessina Here as we leave to continue our journey through the wilderness to the Promised Land, God uses the pastor to say words that were said

first through Aaron in the wilderness more than 3,000 years ago.

Welcome to Grace!
Ministers —the people of Grace
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<b>Tech Crew</b> – Greg Boeschen, Jamie Briggs, Chuck Denton, Paul Nelson, Jon Rissman, & Amy Schmelzer
Counters – Mark Stumme & Jason Galle
Coffee & Donuts – Mike & Marilyn Nizzi



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