



"People who love each other fully and truly are the happiest people in the world. They may have little, they may have nothing, but they are happy people. Everything depends on how we love one another."

Love as you are Loved



Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.



5th Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Entrance Hymn

[Tune 712]

O the deep, deep love of Jesus vast, unmeasured, boundless, free!
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me!
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of thy love-
Leading onward, leading homeward, to thy glorious rest above!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus spread his praise from shore to shore!
How he loves us, ever loves us, changes never, never more!
How he watches o'er his loved ones, died to call them all his own;
And it lifts me interceding, watching o'er them from the throne!

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, love of every love the best!
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest!
O the deep, deep love of Jesus 'tis a heaven of heavens to me;
And it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to thee!

Easter Greeting

P: In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

A: Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you

P: Let us pray:

C: O God in your perfect love for us you resurrected your Son, Jesus, who revealed the depth of his love for us through his obedience to your will, even to giving himself on the cross. Fill out hearts with the same Spirit of Love that he shared with you, that we, too, will respond now in joyful obedience to His command to love as we have been loved. We ask this in the name of our Savior and Lord, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

First Lesson

Deuteronomy 6 & Leviticus 19

Now this is the commandment--the statutes and the Ordinances--that Adonai, your God, charged Moses to teach you to observe in the land that you are about to cross into and occupy, so that you and your children and your children's children may fear Adonai, your God, all the days of your life, and keep all God's decrees and God's commandments that I am commanding you, so that your days may be long. Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you, and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as Adonai, the God of your ancestors, has promised you. Hear, O Israel, our God, Adonai, is One! Now you are to love Adonai your God with all your heart, and with all your being, and with all your substance! These words, which I myself am commanding you today, are to be upon your heart. You are to repeat them to your children and are to speak of them when you are sitting in your house and when you are walking on the way, and when you are lying down and when you are rising up. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates . . .

You, my people, are to be holy, for I, Adonai, your God, am holy . . . You are not to insult the deaf and before the blind, you are not to place a stumbling-block. Rather, you are to hold your God in

awe - I am the Lord! You are not to commit corruption in justice . . . with equity you are to judge your neighbor. . . You are not to hate your brother or sister in your heart . . . You are not to take vengeance - you are not to retain anger against any of your people, but you are to be loving to your neighbor - like you are to yourself. I am the Lord! My laws, you are to keep.

Reader: The Word of the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God!

Psalms

33

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous.

Praise befits the upright.

**Praise the Lord with the lyre;
make melody to the Lord with the harp of ten strings.**

Sing to the Lord a new song;

play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

**For the word of the Lord is upright,
and all the Lord's work is done in faithfulness.**

The Lord loves righteousness and justice;

the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

**Truly the eye of the Lord is on those who fear the Lord,
on those who hope in the Lord's steadfast love,
to deliver their soul from death,
and to keep them alive in famine.**

Our soul waits for the Lord;

the Lord is our help and shield.

**Our heart is glad in the Lord,
because we trust in the Lord's holy name.**

*Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,
even as we hope in you.*

Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 12 & 13

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but

do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may speak proudly about my accomplishments, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious, or boastful, or arrogant, or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will be come to end when Christ returns. As for tongues, they will also cease. As for knowledge, it too will come to an end. For we know now only in part, and we prophesy now only in part; but when the complete comes in Christ, all that is now partial will be worthless. Look, when I was a child, I spoke like a child; I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became an adult, I put an end to my childish ways. Right now, we can only see in a mirror, dimly, but when Christ comes, then we will see face to face. Right now, I know only in part; but then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And right now, faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

Reader: The Word of the Lord! **C: Thanks be to God!**

Children's Sermon

Verse



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, give
 thanks to the ris - en Lord; Al - le -
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, give - praise to his name.
 Spread the good news o'er all the - earth;
 Je - sus has died and has ris - sen!

Gospel Acclamation

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 13th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

Gospel

John 13

The Command to Love as We have been Loved

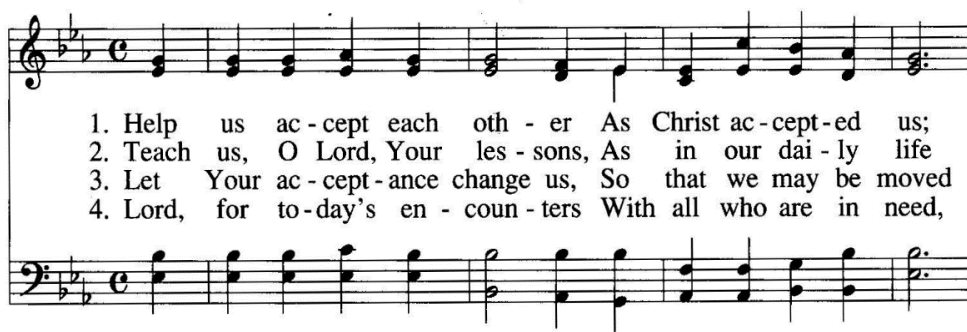
During the Last Supper, after Judas had left, Jesus said to the disciples still at the table, "... Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to my fellow Jews, so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

P: The Gospel of the Lord!

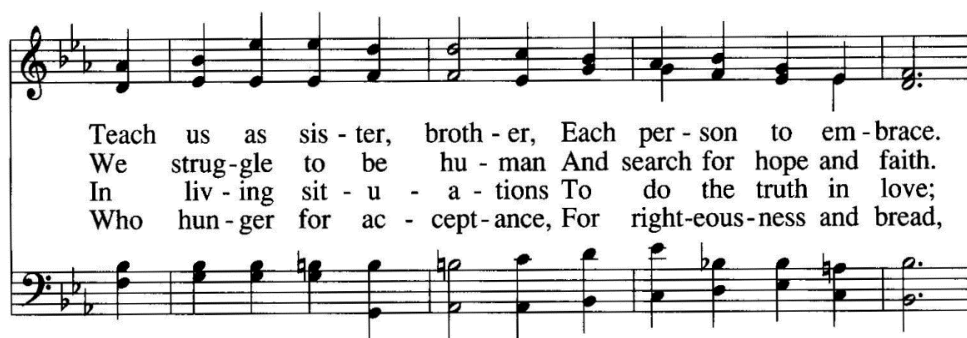
C: Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

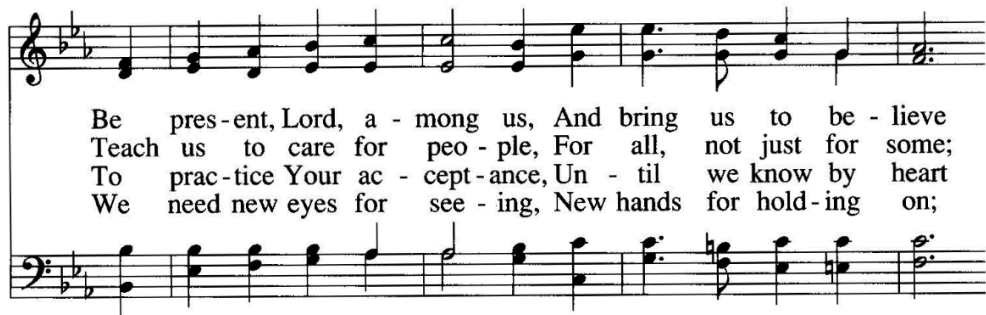
Hymn of the Day



1. Help us ac - cept each oth - er As Christ ac - cept - ed us;
2. Teach us, O Lord, Your les - sons, As in our dai - ly life
3. Let Your ac - cept - ance change us, So that we may be moved
4. Lord, for to - day's en - coun - ters With all who are in need,



Teach us as sis - ter, broth - er, Each per - son to em - brace.
We strug - gle to be hu - man And search for hope and faith.
In liv - ing sit - u - a - tions To do the truth in love;
Who hun - ger for ac - cept - ance, For right - eous - ness and bread,



Be pres - ent, Lord, a - mong us, And bring us to be - lieve
 Teach us to care for peo - ple, For all, not just for some;
 To prac - tice Your ac - cept - ance, Un - til we know by heart
 We need new eyes for see - ing, New hands for hold - ing on;



We are our - selves ac - cept - ed And meant to love and live.
 To love them as we find them, Or as they may be - come.
 The ta - ble of for - give - ness And laugh - ter's heal - ing art.
 Re - new us with Your Spir - it; Lord, free us, make us one!

Text: Romans 15:7; Fred Kaan, b.1929, © 1975, Hope Publishing Co.
 Tune: AURELIA, 7 6 7 6 D; Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1810–1876

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 truly 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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic 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.

The Prayers of the Church & Passing of the Peace

Dedication of the Font Cross

Introduction & Reading from Galatians

Hymn This is the Spirit's Entry Now 448

- | | |
|--|---|
| 1. This is the Spirit's entry now:
The water and the word.
The cross of Jesus on your brow.
The seal both felt and heard. | Our life comes through his death.
3. Let water be the sacred sign
That we must die each day,
To rise again by his design
As foll'wers of his way. |
| 2. This miracle of life reborn,
Comes from the Lord of breath.
The sinless one from life was torn, | |

Dedication Prayer

Offertory Prayer

A: Let us Pray

C: Living God, we praise you for the abundant blessings of this life. In humble recognition of the love you always show to us, we bring these gifts and ourselves as our thanks. Use them and us to bear the fruit of goodness and grace so that your glory will be known to all. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

S 152

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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.

P: It is indeed . . .

S 153

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

The Lord's Prayer

C: 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. 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 now and forever. Amen.

Distribution Hymns

708, 631

Refrain
Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show
us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.



- 1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their feet,
2 Neigh - bors are wealth - y and poor, var - ied in col - or and race,
3 These are the ones we will serve, these are the ones we will love;
4 Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash - ing their feet:



Refrain

mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
neigh - bors are near - by and far a - way.
all these are neigh - bors to us and you.
this is the way we will live with you.



- 1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Post Communion Blessing & Prayer

Benediction

Recessional

1 Great God, your love has called us here, as we, by love, for
 2 We come with self - in - flict - ed pains of brok-en trust and
 3 Great God, in Christ you call our name and then re - ceive us
 4 Then take the towel, and break the bread, and hum-ble us, and
 5 Great God, in Christ you set us free your life to live, your



love were made. Your liv - ing like - ness still we bear, though
 chos - en wrong, half - free, half - bound by in - ner chains, by
 as your own, not through some mer - it, right or claim, but
 call us friends. Suf - fer and serve till all are fed, and
 joy to share. Give us your Spir - it's lib - er - ty to

marred, dis - hon - ored, dis - o - beyed. We come, with all our
 so - cial forc - es swept a - long, by powers and sys - tems
 by your gra - cious love a - lone. We strain to glimpse your
 show how grand - ly love in - tends to work till all cre -
 turn from guilt and dull de - spair and of - fer all that

heart and mind your call to hear, your love to find.
 close con - fined, yet seek - ing hope for hu - man - kind.
 mer - cy seat and find you kneel - ing at our feet.
 a - tion sings, to fill all worlds, to crown all things.
 faith can do while love is mak - ing all things new.

Dismissal A: Go in peace, serve the Lord! C: Thanks be to God!

Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God in memory of Luke Rathschmidt.



Sunday, May 18

8:30 a.m. Worship

9:45 a.m. Confirmation Class Final Exam

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:10 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, May 19

7:00 p.m. Confirmation rehearsal

7:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting

7:30 p.m. Confirmand interviews w/ Church Council

Tuesday, May 20

6:30 a.m. Early Birds Bible Study & Breakfast

11:00 a.m. Bible Study w/ Pastor Chris – hybrid

3:30 p.m. Bible Study Lite 101 w/ Pastor Chris

4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class Final Exam

7:00 p.m. Bible Study w/ Pastor Chris – online

Wednesday, May 21

9:00 a.m. Peacemakers Quilting Group Meeting

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, May 25

Deadline to RSVP for May Dining Out Gathering @ Four Brothers

8:30 a.m. Worship

9:45 a.m. No Confirmation Class

9:45 a.m. No Sunday School

10:10 a.m. No Choir Rehearsal

11:00 a.m. Worship



Scan this QR to Donate to Grace

Sunday, June 8th will be a special Day here at Grace! We will have the closing of our Sunday School Program, Distribution of Bibles, Confirmation for our students & a Baptism!

Schedule of Events:

No 8:30 a.m. Service

10:00 a.m. Service - Sunday School Closing, Distribution of Bibles & Confirmation

11:00 a.m. Service - Confirmation & Baptism