

**Pray**  
in This Way



The  
Lord's  
Prayer

8:30

9:45

II:00



Prelude  
Confession & Absolution

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

**C: Amen**

*P: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us gather with true hearts that confess our sins to God, that earnestly ask for forgiveness and that trust in our renewal through the work of our Savior Jesus the Christ.*

*A: Our help is in the name of the Lord,*

**C: who made heaven and earth.** [Psalm 124:8]

*A: I said I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.*

**C: And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.** [Psalm 32:5]

*A: Almighty God, merciful Father:*

**C: I confess to you all my sins with which I have offended you and my neighbors. I am sorry for them. I devote myself to repentance and pray for your mercy. In your boundless grace and compassion send me your Holy Spirit that I may be strengthened in my faith and made ready for a life obedient to your will and your way.**

*P: God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and full of steadfast love. [Exodus 34:6] Therefore, in obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I declare the entire forgiveness of all your sin in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

**C: Amen.**

## Entrance Hymn

## Blessing and Honor

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1 Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and pow'r, wis - dom and  
 2 Let all the heav - ens sound forth Je - sus' name; let all the  
 3 Ev - er as - cend - ing the song and the joy, ev - er de -  
 4 Give we the glo - ry and praise to the Lamb! Take we the

rich - es and strength ev - er - more, be to the Lamb who our  
 earth sing his glo - ry and fame. O - cean and moun - tain, stream,  
 scend - ing the love from on high; bless - ing and hon - or and  
 robe and the harp and the palm; sing we the song of the

bat - tle has won, whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the  
 for - est, and flow'r ech - o his prais - es and tell of his  
 glo - ry and praise— this is the theme of the hymns that we  
 Lamb who was slain, dy - ing in weak - ness and ris - ing to

throne; whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the throne!  
 pow'r; ech - o his prais - es and tell of his pow'r.  
 raise; this is the theme of the hymns that we raise.  
 reign; dy - ing in weak - ness and ris - ing to reign!

# Greeting

*P: 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**

# Kyrie

ELW Setting 2

*P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.*



*P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.*



*P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.*



*P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.*



*P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.*



# Hymn of Praise

ELW Setting 2



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



*Refrain*  
Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of



God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



*Refrain*  
Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

## Prayer of the Day

*P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.*

*P: Let us pray:*

**C: Gracious Lord, you have always desired the prayers of your people. Give us the faith to bring our concerns and thanks to you this day. Sustain us with the hope that our prayers are always heard with compassion and gratitude. We ask this in the name of your Son who taught us how to pray, Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

## First Lesson

Genesis 18

### *Abraham Deepens His Understanding of God*

**T**hen the men who had visited Abraham and Sarah set out from his tent, and they looked toward Sodom and Abraham went with them to set them on their way.

Now Yahweh, God, had thought, "Will I hide from Abraham what I am about to do? For Abraham is to become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth will find blessing through him. Indeed, I have known him - that he may instruct his children and his household after him to keep the way of Yahweh - to do what is right and just so that Yahweh may bring upon Abraham what Yahweh spoke concerning him."

So, Yahweh said, "The outcry of Sodom and Gomorrah - how great it is! And their sin - how exceedingly heavy it weighs! Now let me go down and see what is happening there. If they have done the things that have been cried out to me, then, destruction! And if not, I wish to know."

So, those who had been visiting Abraham turned from there, and went toward Sodom while Abraham remained standing before Yahweh.

Abraham came near and said, "Will you really sweep away the innocent with the guilty? Suppose there are fifty innocent people within the city; will you really sweep it away? Will you not bear with the place because of the fifty innocent people who are in it? May you have a curse if you do such a thing - to deal death to the

innocent along with the guilty, that it should come about: 'like the innocent, like the guilty.' May you have a curse! The judge of all the earth – will this judge not do what is just?"

And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous people in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake."

Abraham spoke up and said, "Now pray, I have ventured to speak to my Lord and I am but dust and ashes . . . Perhaps of the fifty innocent, five will be lacking - Will you bring ruin upon the whole city because of the five?"

Yahweh said, "I will not bring ruin if I find there are forty-five."

But Abraham continued to speak to Yahweh and said, "Perhaps there will be found there only forty!"

Yahweh said, "I will not do it for the sake of the forty."

But Abraham said, "Pray, do not let my Lord be angry that I speak further . . . Perhaps there will be found there only thirty."

Yahweh said, "I will not do it, if I find there thirty."

But Abraham said, "Now pray, I have ventured to speak to my Lord . . . Perhaps there will be found there only twenty."

Yahweh said, "I will not bring ruin for the sake of twenty."

But Abraham said: "Pray let my Lord not be angry that I speak further just this one time . . . Perhaps there will be found there only ten."

Yahweh said: "I will not bring ruin for the sake of ten."

Yahweh left as soon as this conversation with Abraham ended, and Abraham returned to his place.

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

## *Psalm*

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*I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;  
before the gods I sing your praise;*

**I bow down toward your holy temple  
and give thanks to your name  
for your steadfast love and your faithfulness;**

*For you have exalted your name  
and your word above everything.*

**On the day I called, you answered me,  
you increased my strength of soul.**

*All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord,  
for they have heard the words of your mouth.*

**They will sing of the ways of the Lord,  
for great is the glory of the Lord.**

*For though the Lord is high, the Lord regards the lowly;  
but the haughty the Lord perceives from far away.*

**Though I walk in the midst of trouble,  
you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;**

*You stretch out your hand,  
and your right hand delivers me.*

**The Lord will fulfill the Lord's purpose for me;  
your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.  
Do not forsake the work of your hands.**

## Second Lesson

Colossians 2

**P**aul writes: As you, therefore, have undertaken Christ Jesus, the Lord, continue to walk about in him, being rooted and built up in him, established in the faith - just as you were taught - abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit - according to human tradition - according to the elemental spirits of the universe - and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him who is the head of every ruler and authority.

In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision without hands . . . buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the action of God, who woke him from death. And when you were dead in missteps and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our missteps, erasing our indebtedness . . . Therefore, do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are

only a shadow of what is to come, but the body is Christ. Do not let anyone rob you of your prize . . . hold fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and, held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

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

## Verse

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

*P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter.*

**C: Glory to you, O Lord!**

## Gospel

Luke 11

Jesus came to a certain place and was praying. When he stopped, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John the Baptizer taught his disciples to pray!"

So, Jesus said to them, "Whenever you may pray, say:

Father, your name has been made holy!

You have brought in your kingdom!

Give us day to day our daily bread!

And forgive us our sins, for we forgive all who owe us.

And do not bring us into temptation"

And Jesus said to them,

"Which of you will have a friend, and you go to your friend at midnight and say to your friend, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread! For, a friend of mine has come from the way and I have nothing to set before him' and he answers from within, 'Do not provide me with troubles! The door has already been closed and my children are with me in bed. I am not empowered to be rising up to give you things.' I tell you, even if, rising up, the friend will not give the friend things because the friend is a friend, still, because of the friend's shameless persistence. the friend, having gotten up, will give the friend as much as the friend needs. So, I

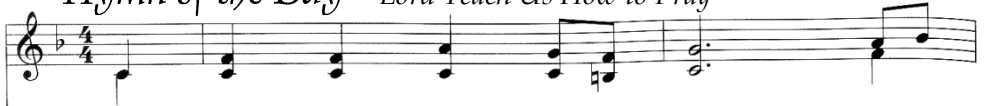


say to you, ask, and it will be given you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened for you. For all the asking, receive, and the seeking, find, and for the knocking, it will be opened. But who among you, if the son asks the father for a fish, not fish, but a snake he will give him? Hey! - and if he will ask for an egg, he will give him a scorpion? If you then, who are possessing evil, know how to give good gifts to your children - how much more the Father from heaven will give the Holy Spirit to those asking him!"

*P: The Gospel of the Lord! C: Praise to you, O Christ!*

Sermon

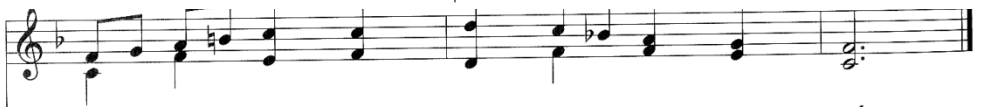
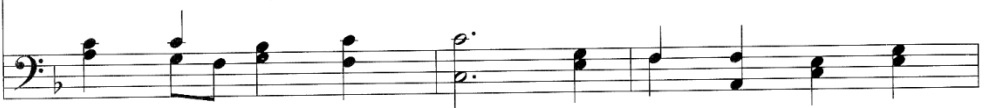
Hymn of the Day *Lord Teach Us How to Pray*



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| 1. Lord, | teach | us | how | to | pray  | As   |
| 2. Lord, | teach | us | how | to | pray  | When |
| 3. Lord, | teach | us | how | to | pray  | When |
| 4. Lord, | teach | us | how | to | pray; | Re - |
| 5. Lord, | teach | us | how | to | pray; | Re - |



|        |       |         |        |         |      |      |      |       |       |
|--------|-------|---------|--------|---------|------|------|------|-------|-------|
| once   | the   | twelve  | you    | taught, | For  | we   | can  | nev - | er    |
| hearts | are   | dull    | and    | dead,   | Or   | when | we   | feel  | no    |
| cares  | dis - | tract   | the    | mind.   | Help | us   | to   | wait  | in    |
| kin -  | dle   | faith's | bright | flame,  | Un - | til  | our  | faith | leaps |
| mind   | us    | day     | by     | day     | That | you  | wait | ea -  | ger - |



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|--------|------|-------|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|
| find   | the  | words | To   | praise | you  | as     | we   | ought. |
| thirst | for  | you   | And  | faith, | once | firm,  | has  | fled.  |
| qui -  | et - | ness, | A    | calm - | er   | spir - | it   | find.  |
| up     | a -  | gain, | To   | speak  | and  | praise | your | name.  |
| ly     | to   | hear  | Be - | fore   | we   | think  | to   | pray.  |



# Apostles 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.

## Thanksgiving for an Anniversary

Hymn

*When in Our Music God is Glorified*

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1 When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied, and ad - o -  
2 How oft, in mak - ing mu - sic, we have found a new di -  
3 So has the church, in lit - ur - gy and song, in faith and  
4 And did not Je - sus sing a psalm that night when ut - most  
5 Let ev - 'ry in - stru - ment be tuned for praise; let all re -



ra - tion leaves no room for pride, it is as  
men - sion in the world of sound, as wor - ship  
love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong, borne wit - ness  
e - vil strove a - gainst the light? Then let us  
joyce who have a voice to raise; and may God

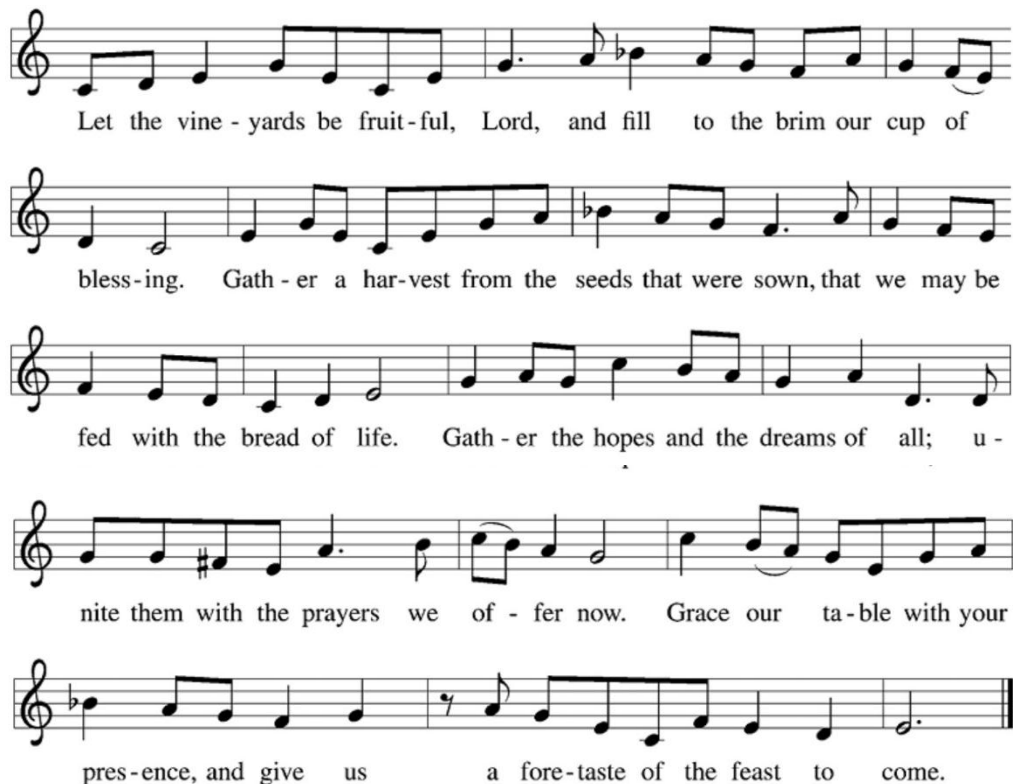


though the whole cre - a - tion cried:  
moved us to a more pro - found  
to the truth in ev - 'ry tongue: Al - le - lu - ia!  
sing, for whom he won the fight:  
give us faith to sing al - ways:

# Prayers & Passing of the Peace

## Offering / Offertory

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Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be  
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -  
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

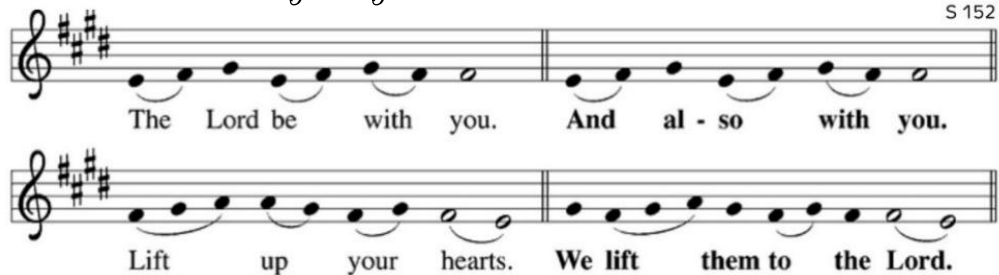
*A: Let us Pray*

**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.**

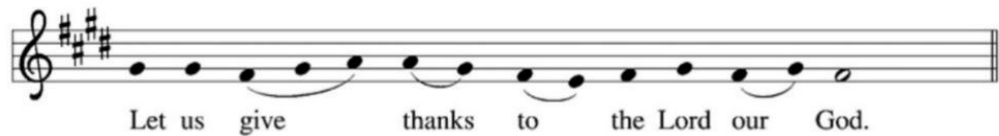
## Great Thanksgiving

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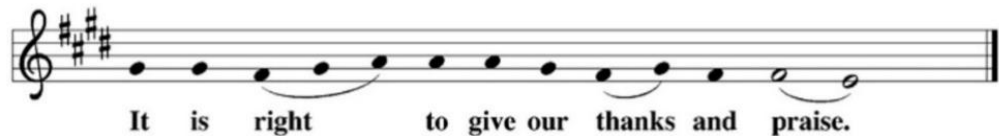
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The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

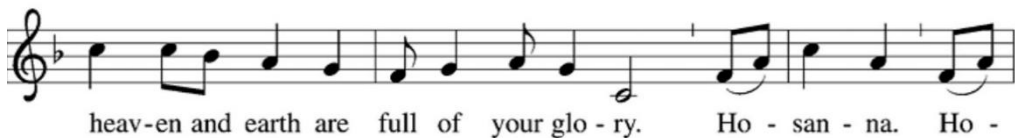


It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*P: It is indeed . . .*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -



san-na. 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*

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1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won-der con-sid-er  
 2 When through the woods and for-est glades I wan-der, I hear the  
 3 But when I think that God, his Son not spar-ing, sent him to  
 4 When Christ shall come, with shout of ac-cla-ma-tion, and take me

all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might-y  
 birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; when I look down from loft-y moun-tain  
 die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my bur-den glad-ly  
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad-o-

thun-der, thy pow'r through-out the u-ni-verse dis-played;  
 gran-deur and hear the brook and feel the gen-tle breeze;  
 bear-ing he bled and died to take a-way my sin;  
 ra-tion and there pro-claim, "My God, how great thou art!"

*Refrain*

Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to thee, how great thou

art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to

thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

1 For the beau-ty of the earth, for the beau-ty of the skies,  
 2 For the won-der of each hour of the day and of the night,  
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de-light,  
 4 For the joy of hu-man love, broth-er, sis-ter, par-ent, child,  
 5 For each per-fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;

for the love which from our birth o-ver and a-round us lies:  
 hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:  
 for the mys-tic har-mo-ny link-ing sense to sound and sight:  
 friends on earth and friends a-bove; for all gen-tle thoughts and mild:  
 for thy-self, best gift di-vine, to our world so free-ly giv'n:

*Refrain*

Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac-ri-fice of praise.

Post Communion Blessing & Prayer  
Benediction & Recessional

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1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?  
3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!  
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged— take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need - less pain we bear—  
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?  
Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!  
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness— take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

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

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**Sunday, July 27**

8:30 a.m. Worship

9:45 a.m. Worship outside in the Memorial Garden

11:00 a.m. Worship

Summer fellowship in the narthex after each

service

**Monday, July 28**

7:00 p.m. Social Ministry/Green Team Meeting

7:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting

**Tuesday, July 29**

4:45 p.m. First Communion Class

7:00 p.m. Sunday School Planning Meeting

**Wednesday, July 30**

9:00 a.m. Piecemakers Quilting group

6:00 p.m. Property Committee Meeting

**Sunday, August 3**

8:30 a.m. Worship

9:45 a.m. Worship outside in the Memorial Garden

11:00 a.m. Worship

Summer fellowship in the narthex after each service



Grace Lutheran is collecting school supplies to donate to the Community Food Pantry @ St. Mary's Mohegan Lake. Please visit the St. Mary's collection box located outside the church office for a list of requested items. All donations will be delivered to local children in need. Last day to donate is 8/20