

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.

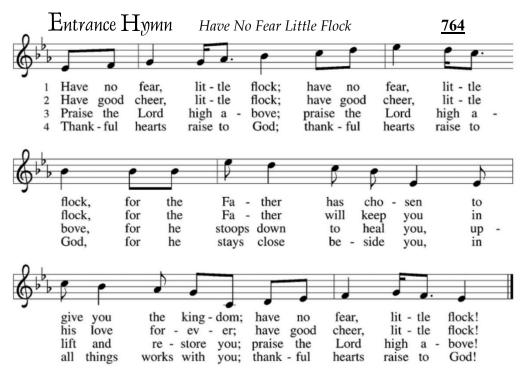
C: And you forgave the iniquity of my sin. [Psalm 32:5]

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.



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.

Lord, have mer - cy.

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.





God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy

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Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you

C: And also with you

P: Let us pray:

C: Lord, keep us from striving after things which have no real meaning or value. Do not let us become consumed or overburdened with tending to money, possessions or status. Keep us secure in our faith, trusting that You will provide all that we truly need. In Your name we pray. Amen.

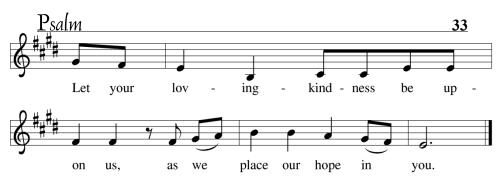
Abraham Questions the Promise from God of an Heir

A fter these things the word of Yahweh came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great."

But Abram said, "My Lord, Yahweh, what *is going on here*, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?"

And Abram said, "Take note, to me you have not given seed. Take note, a distant relative will have to be *my promised* heir." But the word of Yahweh came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." *Yahweh* brought *Abram* outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then *Yahweh* said to *Abram*, "So shall your descendants be." And *Abram* believed Yahweh; and Yahweh reckoned it to *Abram* as righteousness.

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



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 shall praise you, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth.

They shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord. R

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 his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands. R

Second Lesson

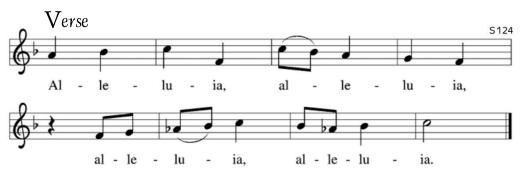
Hebrews II

Live in the New Life you have been given!

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old--and Sarah herself was barren--because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore, from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

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



Gospel Acclamation

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 12th *chapter.*

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

Gospel Luke 12

Tesus then said to his disciples, "Therefore, I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you may eat - or about your body, what you may wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. How much more are you worth than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not being empowered to do so small a thing, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet, I tell you, even King Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But, if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is being thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you -- you of

little faith! And you, do not seek what you may eat and what you may to drink, and do not be made wobbly, for it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things - and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, seek your Father's kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well. Have no fear, little flock, because it pleases your Father to give you the kingdom. Trade away what is sustaining you and give charity. Make yourselves coin purses that are not becoming useless - an enduring storehouse in the heavens where no thief comes near and no moth ruins. For where your storehouse is, there your heart will be.

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

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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.

Prayers & Passing of the Peace



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.

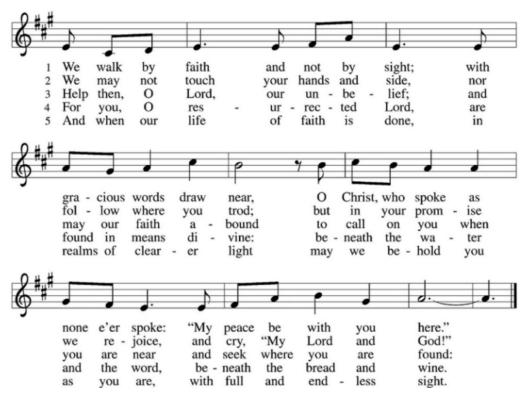


The Lord's Prayer

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.







Post Communion Blessing & Prayer Benediction







Postlude & Dismissal

Grace could use some HELP! . . .

Grace wants to be a place where you have the opportunity to use your hands, your heart, your skills and your gifts to make faithful things happen. Let's face it, Covid really changed the way we do things at work, at school, at home, and, yes, even at church and help is needed in some areas of Grace's ministry:

<u>The #I need at Grace right now is help with Sunday School.</u> Sure, it is really hard to think about making a commitment to being part of something every Sunday — who does that anymore? So, don't. But with more people there is more flexibility and more variety! Don't think about what you can't do, consider what you can and let Pastor Chris know. There is need at Grace for help with the upcoming Fellowship Events. You know how that works, so reach out to Georgette Muller at gmail.com

There is a need at Grace for help as Assisting Ministers, Lectors and Communion Assistants. Those who already have answered the call to serve in one of these ways can tell you that it may be a bit nerve-racking at first, but there is great joy and satisfaction in being an important part of worship leadership. Think you have what it takes? Contact Deacon Carol Straub at DCBstraub@verizon.net.



Sunday, August 10

8:30 a.m. Worship 9:45 a.m. Outdoor worship in the memorial garden 11:00 a.m. Worship Summer fellowship in the narthex after each service

Monday, August 11

9:30 a.m. Widowed Support Group 7:00 p.m. Social Ministry/Green Team Meeting

Tuesday, August 12

4:45 p.m. First Communion class

Wednesday, August 13

9:00 a.m. Piecemakers Quilting Group 1:00 p.m. Grace Book Club

Thursday, August 14

7:30 p.m. Digital Committee Meeting

Sunday, August 17

First Communion
Deadline to RSVP for August Dining Out
8:30 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Outdoor worship in the memorial garden
11:00 a.m. Worship
Summer fellowship in the narthex after each service



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