



Sunday, September 16, 2018/ Pentecost 17

*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

8:00 and 10:45 a.m. Worship

LBW - LUTHERAN BOOK OF WORSHIP
WOV-WITH ONE VOICE

God Gathers Us

Prelude

We All Are One in Mission

Gilbert M. Martin,
Robert A. Hobby

Words of Welcome/Greeting Our Guests

Temple Talk

Lori Fain

2nd, 5th and 9th grade Bible Presentation (10:45)

***Invocation and Salutation**

***Opening Hymn**

Lord, Speak to us, that We May Speak

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***Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness**

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***Sharing the Peace of the Lord**

***Kyrie**

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***Hymn of Praise**

Glory to God

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***Prayer of the Day**

The Children's Sermon

(PRAYER CARDS PICKED UP BY USHERS AT THIS TIME)

Holy Scripture: Isaiah 50-4-9

⁴The Sovereign Lord has given me a well-instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed. ⁵The Sovereign Lord has opened my ears; I have not been rebellious, I have not turned away. ⁶I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting. ⁷Because the Sovereign Lord helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will

not be put to shame. ⁸ He who vindicates me is near. Who then will bring charges against me? Let us face each other! Who is my accuser? Let him confront me! ⁹ It is the Sovereign Lord who helps me. Who will condemn me? They will all wear out like a garment; the moths will eat them up.

Holy Scripture: James 3:1-12

³ Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly. ² We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check. ³ When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal. ⁴ Or take ships as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants to go. ⁵ Likewise, the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark. ⁶ The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one's life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷ All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles and sea creatures are being tamed and have been tamed by mankind, ⁸ but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹ With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God's likeness. ¹⁰ Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be. ¹¹ Can both fresh water and salt water flow from the same spring? ¹² My brothers and sisters, can a fig tree bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Neither can a salt spring produce fresh water.

***Holy Gospel: Mark 8:27-38**

²⁷ Jesus and his disciples went on to the villages around Caesarea Philippi. On the way he asked them, "Who do people say I am?" ²⁸ They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." ²⁹ "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" Peter answered, "You are the Messiah." ³⁰ Jesus warned them not to tell anyone about him. ³¹ He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. ³² He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³ But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. "Get behind me, Satan!" he said. "You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns." ³⁴ Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. ³⁶ What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? ³⁷ Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? ³⁸ If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels."

Sermon

What Good Is It?

Pastor Thomas M. Brodbeck

***The Apostles' Creed**

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***The Prayer of the Church**

We Respond to God's Grace
Our Response in Tithes and Offerings

Musical Offering (8 a.m.) *Hymn to Joy*

Ludwig van Beethoven
arr. Kevin McCheney

(10:45 a.m.) *Down to the River to Pray* with
Lord, Listen to Your Children

Ken Medema
arr. Mary McDonald
Sanctuary Choir
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*Prayer of Dedication

God Feeds Us
The Sacrament of Holy Communion

*The Great Thanksgiving

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord*

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*The Words of Institution

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*The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

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Distribution of the Meal and Blessing of the Children

Musical Offering

Lord, I Need You

arr, Ron Mallory
Grace Notes

***Post-Communion Blessing**

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***Closing Hymn**

Rise Up, O Saints of God

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***Benediction**

***Dismissal**

P Gathered by God

C Receiving the Lord

P Sent by the Spirit

C Revealing His Love

The Postlude

Song of Jubilation

James Mansfield

PRAYERS AND PRAISES

Intercessory Prayers

8/26/18

Evan Crew

Benjamin Hopkins (brother of Kristina and Kimberly Hopkins)

Charlie Lantz

9/2/18

Norman Parks (friend of Dan Shroyer)

Scott Garrett (brother of Steve Garrett)

Margot Simpson

9/9/18

Bob and Diane Winterhoff

Prayers of Sympathy

For the friends and family of Jason Thompson and Cassie Day

(relatives of Sandy & Robert Thompson)

For the friends and family of Jim Brandeberry (friend of Mel Leonard)

For the family and friends of Helen Hixson

Prayers of Support

For Springfield City Youth Mission

For members of the U.S. military

For first responders

For marriages and families in crisis

For all seeking employment

For 2018 Grace council and staff

For those suffering from addiction

For Christian faith-based ministries

For our community, country, and our world

For family and friends living in care facilities

For Bishop John Bradosky, the North American Lutheran Church,

and the Southwest Ohio Mission District of the NALC

Father, we have so much to be thankful for, things unseen and seen, for all that You have done in our lives. We are so grateful for the relationship we have with You. We are thankful for the decisions that You allow us to make and the lessons that come from these decisions. Your mighty power is at work within us, transforming us, and guiding us. Help us to be a blessing to someone today. Grant us the opportunity to encourage, love and comfort someone who needs Your grace today. Lord, we give You our unending thanks. Amen.

Prayerfully submitted on behalf of the Grace Prayer Support Team.

THIS WEEK

Sun., Sept. 16	8:00 a.m.	Worship (S)
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School for children & youth
	9:15 a.m.	Lay Ministry Wax Museum for adults (CC/FH/N/CW)
	10:15 a.m.	Fellowship (CC)
	10:45 a.m.	Worship/Bible Presentation (S)
	8:00 p.m.	Community group (P)
Mon., Sept. 17	10:00 a.m.	Women's Ministry Team (CR)
	2:00 p.m.	Stephen Ministry (CR)
	7:00 p.m.	Community group (N108)
Tue., Sept 18	8:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study (P)
	11:30– 1:00 p.m.	Grace office closed for staff mtg
	6:15 p.m.	7-8 grade youth group (YW)
	7:00 p.m.	Grace Council (P)
	7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts (CW105)
Wed., Sept. 19	5:30 p.m.	Grace Notes rehearsal (S)
	6:00 p.m.	Wednesday Night Dinner (FH)
	6:30 p.m.	GriefShare (P)
	6:45 p.m.	9-12 grade youth group (CC)
	7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir rehearsal (MR/S)
	7:00 p.m.	Spiritual Gifts Class (YW102)
	7:00 p.m.	Disciple Fast Track (N108)
Thu., Sept. 20	11:00 a.m.	Adult Bible study (P)
	7:00 p.m.	Call Committee (P)
	6:00 p.m.	Prayer Support Team (L)
Fri., Sept. 21	8:00 p.m.	Community group (CR)
Sat., Sept. 22	8:00 a.m.	Men's Bible study (P)
	4:00 p.m.	Private party (FH)
Sun., Sept. 23	8:00 a.m.	Worship (S)
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School for children & youth
	9:15 a.m.	Outreach Fair for adults (CC)
	10:15 a.m.	Fellowship (FH)
	10:45 a.m.	Worship (S)
	8:00 p.m.	Community group (P)

C	Café
CC	Community Center
CR	Conference Room
CW	Children's Wing
FH	Fellowship Hall
K	Kitchen
L	Library
MR	Music Room
N	Narthex
NY	Nursery
P	Parlor
S	Sanctuary
YW	Youth Wing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Email announcements to bulletin@grace-nalc.org by NOON on Tuesdays.)

Today during the Sunday school hour join us in the community center for our Wax Museum. Follow the tour and finish back in the community center and you could win one of four gift baskets.

Today we welcome and thank Lori Fain for her Temple Talk.

Today at the beginning of the 10:45 worship service, we will be presenting Grace 2nd, 5th, and 9th graders with new Bibles, designed specifically for their age levels. Those participating today include:

- 2nd graders Luke Powell, Tahmyah DeArmond, and Isaac Jordan.
- 5th graders Aiden Kouse and Jansen Rembold.
- 9th graders Noah Jordan, Isabella and Noah Veskauf, Ryan Hanford, and Kurt Rembold.

Today's Adult Sunday School offerings (through Sept. 29th) will support the Springfield City Youth Mission (SCYM).

Appreciation Lunch, September 30th after the 10:45 a.m. service. Everyone is invited to join us in the community center for lunch to show our appreciation for your commitment to Grace through your time, talent and treasure. Sign up in Sign-Up Central.

Wednesday Night Dinners. If you are willing to prepare a meal or bring a dessert, please sign up in Sign-Up central. Next Wednesday night dinner will be Pork Stew, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, salad and dessert.

The next session of GriefShare is on Wed., Sept. 19, 6:30—8:30 p.m. in the Grace parlor.

Outreach Ministry Festival will be held next Sunday morning during the Sunday School hour. Join us in the Community Center as 10 ministries introduce you to have they serve Jesus in our community.

Wednesday night learning opportunities are:

- Discover Your Spiritual Gifts, taught by Janet Rice (four weeks)
- Sept. 19: Disciple Fast Track, taught by Leslie McKinney and Sam Poston (see other announcement)
- Oct. 10: 1 Peter Bible Study Intensive, taught by Pastor Brodbeck (six weeks)

The Valley Brass will be guest musicians for our Sept. 23 services. We look forward to hearing the well-blended sounds of this french horn quartet.

The Grace Garden ministry needs help both shelling and picking bean pods off plants the next several weeks. This is a group effort with volunteers sitting around a pile of bean plants. We also need help with the harvest table. We especially need people to help breakdown and put away produce, containers and tables after the second service. We are also harvesting each Saturday at 8 a.m., and need help with cleaning the produce.

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Disciple FAST TRACK: Come join this 24 week course as we study the Bible from beginning to end using a thematic approach to the study of scripture. The class will meet on Wednesday nights starting Sept. 19, 7-8:30 p.m. The first chapter should be completed before the first session. See the table in the narthex for more information.

Congregational Workshop at Grace, Saturday, October 13, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Everyone is encourage to attend this workshop to educate the congregation on the Call Process of our next Senior Pastor.

Save the Date: Sunday, October 28, 4 –6 p.m. Surviving the Holidays event designed especially for those who will be grieving a loves one’s death during this holiday season.

Operation Christmas Child: Now is the time to start preparing for boxes as school supplies and summer clearance items are on sale. Please, no candy of any kind, no toothpaste, no cookies or chocolates, and no liquids. For answers to your questions, call Agnes Smoot, Hope

Guild, 937-964-3194. Boxes will be available October 7th.

How have you served the Lord this week? As a part of our efforts to provide 10,000 hours of service to area outreach ministries, share how you have served by completing the statement found on Sign-Up Central.

September is the best time to join one of our choirs. Regular weekly rehearsals on Wednesday, at 7 p.m. Contact Barbara Blackburn (barbara.blackburn@grace-nalc.org) if you have any questions. Sign Up in Sign Up Central.

Save the Date, Saturday, November 10, 9:30-3:30 Women of Grace one day retreat at Grace Lutheran Church. Cost: \$20.00 More information to come in September. Sign Up in Sign-Up Central.

The chancel flowers are placed with love and in honor of Pastor and Jill Powell’s 40th wedding anniversary by their children and grandchildren.

Scripture Readings
Next week - September 23, 2018
18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Jeremiah 11:18-20
James 3:13-4:3,7-8
Mark 9:30-37

Attendance Records
Last Sunday - September 9, 2018

8:00 a.m. Worship.....120
Adult Sunday School.....46
Youth Sunday School.....57
10:45 am Worship.....174

Tithes and Offerings....\$10,684

SERVING THIS MORNING

Pastor	Daniel M. Powell
Pastor	Thomas M. Brodbeck
Acolytes	Tristan Kouse (8:00) Leah Fraker (10:45)
Lectors	Richard Kogler (8:00), Janet Weller (10:45)
Communion Asst:	Richard Kogler, Michelle Kouse, Stacey Laux (8:00) Max and Val Holly, Chuck Weller (10:45)
Ushers	*Brett and Darla Kalifoot, Ray Anderson, Mike Thompson (8:00) *Chris Mokren, Mike Ray, John Maxwell, Dean and Shirl Settles (10:45)
Altar Care	Barb Archbold, Betsy Moell
Sight & Sound	Jason Kouse(8:00), Craig Witker (10:45)
Organist	Bev Kaech
Offering Tellers	Kevin Kreider, Phyllis Hefler (8:00), Charles and Mary Lantz (10:45)
Church Prep	Bill Lawson
Greeters	Sallie Stephenson (8:00), John Joseph (10:45)
Parking Assts.	Ray Anderson, Sam Shuey(8:00), Ron Laucher, Tom O'Neal (10:45)
Welcome Ctr.	Linda Mitchell (8:00), Minola Bernardi (10:45)
Safety Stewards	*Steve Garrett, Jim Rolfes (7:30 - 10:00) Ron Coss (10:00-12:30)
Nursery Attendants:	Erynn and Ryan Hanford (7:45) Carol Drown (9:00) Marsha Ackerman, Zane Mohler (10:30)



GRACE STAFF

Daniel M. Powell, Senior Pastor
Thomas M. Brodbeck, Associate Pastor
Barbara Blackburn, Director - Sanctuary, Handbell, and Handchime Choirs
Carol Drown, Nursery Attendant
Bev Kaech, Coordinator of Worship Music & Arts, Principal Organist
Darla Kalifoot, Church Administrator
Janet Rice, Director of Lay Ministry
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