



GRACE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

**The Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 3, 2020
8:30 a.m.**

WELCOME TO GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome

In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you as we hear God's holy Word. We worship online in an effort to minimize the spread of COVID-19 and encourage you to follow along in this document as you also watch or listen to the live stream of our service. May the Lord bless our worship this day.

As we gather:

The thing about dark valleys is that you don't know when they'll end. A glint of light and a glimmer of hope go a long way. Darkness is much more bearable when we know dawn will soon break. We're in a dark valley now. Death casts a long shadow. And we don't know how long this pandemic will last, how far it will reach. We do not, however, walk through the valley as lost sheep. We follow the Good Shepherd, the One who lays down his life to give life to his sheep. The promise Jesus gives us is not one of a little life, just enough. The Shepherd promises abundance. Cups will overflow, leaving no room for death. Listen! The Shepherd calls today. Listen and follow him into a life of abundance on both sides of the grave.



✠ GATHERING ✠

PRELUDE: The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Michael D. Costello

GREETING

☐ Alleluia! Christ is risen!

☑ He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

ENTRANCE HYMN: The King of Love My Shepherd Is

(green) **LBW #456**



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant
love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my



I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
thine unction grace bestoweth;
and, oh, what transport of delight
from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,
thy goodness faileth never.
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
within thy house forever.

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821–1877

Music: St. COLUMBA, Irish tune

GREETING

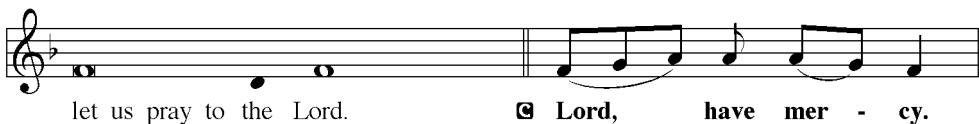
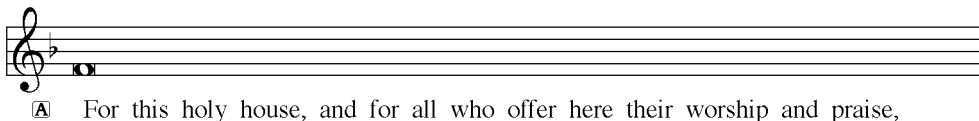
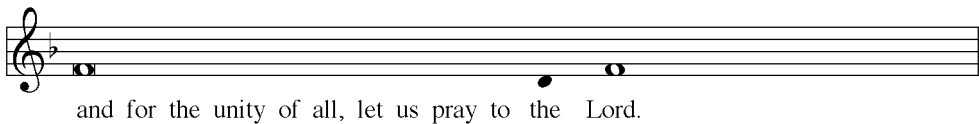
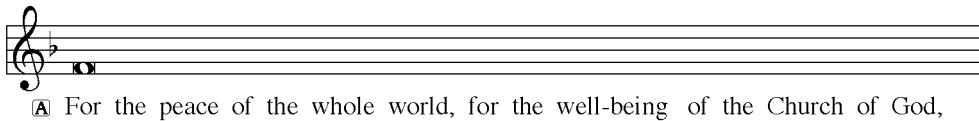
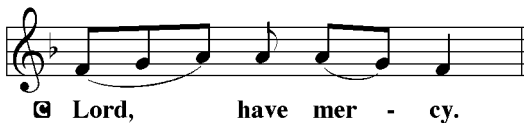
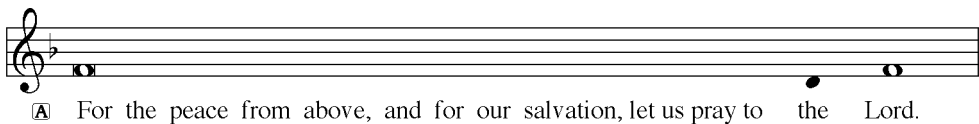
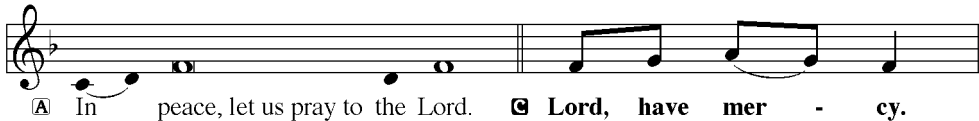
P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

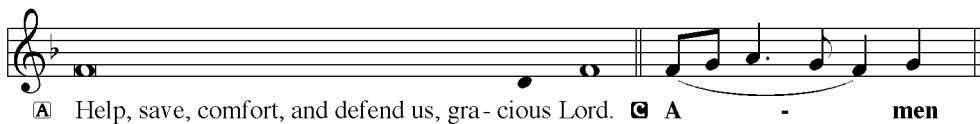
C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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





Ⓐ Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra- cious Lord. Ⓒ A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE: Worthy Is Christ



Ⓒ This is the feast of vic- to- ry for our God. Al- le- lu - ia,



al- le- lu - ia, al- le - lu - ia. Ⓘ Wor- thy is Christ, the Lamb who was



slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



Ⓒ This is the feast of vic- to- ry for our God. Al- le- lu - ia,



al- le- lu - ia, al- le - lu - ia. Ⓜ Pow - er, rich - es, wis- dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.



Ⓒ This is the feast of vic- to- ry for our God. Al- le- lu - ia,



al- le- lu - ia, al- le - lu - ia. Ⓜ Sing with all the peo- ple of God, and

join in the hymn of all cre-a - tion: Bless-ing, hon-or, glo-ry, and
might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A - men.
☐ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu - ia,
al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. II For the Lamb who was
slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu - ia.
☐ This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

☐ The Lord be with you.

☑ And also with you.

☐ Let us pray.

O God our shepherd,
you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death.
Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security
to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

☑ Amen.

✝ WORD ✝

FIRST READING: Acts 2:42–47

[The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

⁴³Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts,⁴⁷praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

℣ The Word of the Lord.

☞ Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

℣ The Lord | is my shepherd;*
I shall not | be in want.

☞ He makes me lie down | in green pastures*
and leads me be- | side still waters.

℣ He re- | vives my soul*
and guides me along right pathways | for his name's sake.

☞ Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall | fear no evil;*
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they | comfort me.

℣ You spread a table before me in the presence of those who | trouble me;*
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is | running over.

☞ Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life,*
and I will dwell in the house of the | Lord forever.



SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:19–25

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. ²⁰If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. ²¹For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

²²"He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth."

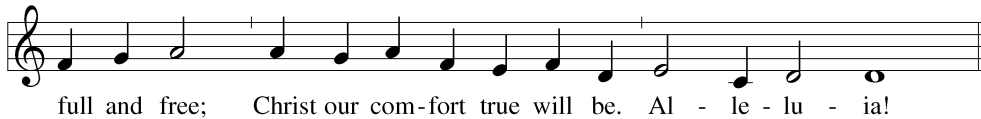
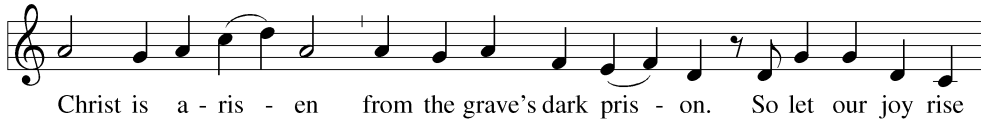
²³When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. ²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

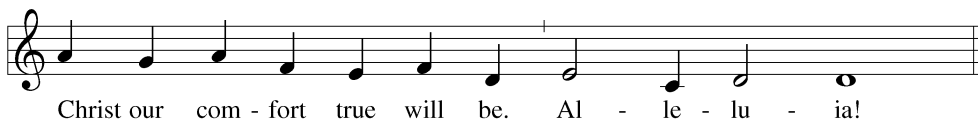
²⁵For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

L The Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN: Christ Is Arisen





HOLY GOSPEL: John 10:1–10

☐ The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.

☒ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said:] “Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁷So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

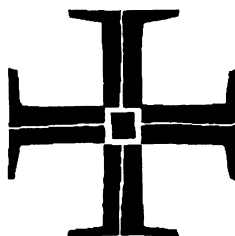
☐ The Gospel of the Lord.

☒ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON: Life Abundant

Pastor David R. Lyle
John 10:1–10; Psalm 23



HYMN OF THE DAY: Have No Fear, Little Flock

(green) LBW #476

1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; have no fear, lit - tle
 2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; have good cheer, lit - tle
 3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; praise the Lord high a -
 4 Thank-ful hearts raise to God; thank - ful hearts raise to

flock, for the Fa - ther has cho - sen to
 flock, for the Fa - ther will keep you in
 bove, for he stoops down to heal you, up -
 God, for he stays close be - side you, in

give you the king - dom; have no fear, lit - tle flock!
 his love for - ev - er; have good cheer, lit - tle flock!
 lift and re - store you; praise the Lord high a - bove!
 all things works with you; thank - ful hearts raise to God!

Text: Luke 12:32, st. 1: Marjorie Jilson, b. 1931, sts. 2-4

Music: LITTLE FLOCK, Heinz Werner Zimmermann, b. 1930

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NICENE CREED

P Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

C 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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each petition concludes:

A Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
Trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

L Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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;
and 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, forever and ever. Amen.

✠ SENDING ✠

BENEDICTION

P Almighty God: Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.



SENDING HYMN: Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing

(green) LBW #196



1 Praise the Lord, rise up re - joic - ing, wor - ship, thanks, de -
 2 Scat - tered flock, one shep - herd shar - ing, lost and lone - ly,
 3 Sins for - giv - en, wrongs for - giv - ing, we go forth a -



vo - tion voic - ing: glo - ry be to God on high!
 one voice hear - ing, ears at - ten - tive to your word;
 lert and liv - ing in your Spir - it, strong and free.



Christ, your cross and pas - sion shar - ing, by this eu - cha -
 by your blood new life re - ceiv - ing, in your bod - y,
 Part - ners in your new cre - a - tion, seek - ing peace in



rist de - clar - ing yours the fi - nal vic - to - ry.
 firm be - liev - ing, we are yours, and you the Lord.
 ev - 'ry na - tion, may we faith - ful fol - l'wers be.

Text: Howard C. A. Gaunt, 1902–1983, alt.
 Music: ALLES IST AN GOTTES SEGEN, Johann Löhner, 1645–1705, adapt.
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DISMISSAL

- Ⓐ Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- ☑ He is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- Ⓐ Go in peace. Serve the risen Lord.
- ☑ Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE: Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing

Michael D. Costello

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. David R. Lyle, presiding minister

The Rev. Michael D. Costello, organist

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LET US PRAY. . .

Those who are sick and recovering from illness

Rose Mary Anderson	Dennis Forgue	Rachel Hindery	Tim Sandvoss
Annalise Balock	Belen and Ron Gresens	Joan Koerber	Pat Scala
Cathy Barker	Carl and Donna Gruendler	Jerry Koenig	Carl Schalk
Ruth Barker	David Gruendler	Drew Krueger	Nikki Schmidt
Jeanne Bloch	Marlene Hallman	Dan Lehmann	Rich and Bonnie Stasack
Ed Borg	Kathy Hale	Karen McMahon	Gerlinde VanDriesen
Sophia Cetin	Kathy Hayes	Jennifer Murtoff	
Hans Dumpys	Ken Heppner	Paul Nelson	
Ken Folgers	Al Hillmer	Adrienne Rott	

Valerie Anderson (<i>friend of Mary Margaret Bartley & Stewart Clarke</i>)	John Larson (<i>father of Morgan Anderson</i>)
Bob Andree (<i>friend of Deb Maxwell</i>)	Maria Laskowski (<i>friend of Joe Modrich</i>)
Vanice Bakko (<i>friend of Irmgard Swanson</i>)	Lily (<i>friend of Carrie Douma</i>)
Vera Leora Barnett (<i>friend of Paul Eichwedel</i>)	Karen Luebbe (<i>mother of Jenny, sister of Stan Reddel</i>)
Ira Birnbaum (<i>friend of Sandy and David Lentz</i>)	Joyce and John Lunde (<i>friends of Susan Messerli</i>)
Stephanie Bogue and Elva (<i>friends of Pat Anderson</i>)	Anne Matthys (<i>mother of Susan Curran</i>)
Elizabeth, Martin and Melanie Byrne (<i>mother, brother and sister of Elizabeth Asher</i>)	Leone, Gracie, and Brian Maxwell (<i>cousins of Tom and Deb Maxwell</i>)
Patricia Carey (<i>friend of Marilyn Heppner</i>)	MaryJo Meyer (<i>aunt of Brooke Schedler</i>)
Karla Carter (<i>friend of Lance and Stephanie Wilkening</i>)	Don Moehlenkamp (<i>brother of Marilyn Moehlenkamp</i>)
Nessim Cicurel (<i>uncle of Ed Schumacher</i>)	John Moehlenkamp (<i>brother of Marilyn Moehlenkamp</i>)
Stephen Clarke (<i>brother of Stewart</i>)	Donald Mullins (<i>friend of Ed and Susan Schumacher</i>)
The Corlew Family (<i>friends of Pat Anderson</i>)	Aaron Offermann (<i>grandson of Don and Verna</i>)
Linda DeMeyere (<i>friend of Randy and Ellie Schnack</i>)	Mary Kay Olson (<i>friend of Paul and Cindy Koester</i>)
Peggy Dickenson (<i>mother of Paul Eichwedel</i>)	Misty Olson (<i>friend of Sara Chizzzo</i>)
Kris Diderickson (<i>cousin of Susan Schumacher</i>)	Marilynn Paulson (<i>mother of Mary Paulson</i>)
Patti and Neal Enslin (<i>friends of Marilyn Heppner</i>)	James Pawlowski (<i>brother-in-law of Jennifer Staples</i>)
Richard Freeman (<i>brother of Linda Webb</i>)	Becky Peterson (<i>friend of Jennifer Staples</i>)
Ray Garmatz (<i>son of Margaret Garmatz</i>)	James Powers (<i>friend of Al Swanson</i>)
Rebecca Graves (<i>daughter of Scott and Linda Street</i>)	Susan Prather (<i>cousin of Adrienne and Ronald Rott</i>)
Mike Guss (<i>friend of Lance and Stephanie Wilkening</i>)	Zach & Ellie Radosevich (<i>grandchildren of Ginny & Frank Swaba</i>)
Jerry Haase (<i>friend of Mary Margaret Bartley & Stewart Clarke</i>)	Phillip Rice III (<i>friend of Pat Anderson</i>)
Ryan Hall (<i>nephew of Judy and Jim Kerns</i>)	Ronald Riley (<i>friend of Al Swanson</i>)
Thomas Heinze (<i>brother-in-law of Pat Gulik</i>)	Florence Saeger (<i>friend of Karl and Ruth Reko</i>)
Harry Heppner (<i>brother of Ken Heppner</i>)	Shirley Moyers Schnack (<i>sister-in-law of Randy Schnack</i>)
Ellen Hinz (<i>mother of Julie Hinz</i>)	Linda Schroeder (<i>aunt of Anne-Marie Bogdan</i>)
Marian Hogue (<i>mother of Merrily Smith</i>)	Mary Lu Shipstad (<i>friend of Marilyn Heppner</i>)
Gale Holmlund (<i>friend of Deb Maxwell</i>)	Nancy Stelling (<i>friend of Pastor Phyllis Kersten</i>)
Kathy Howard (<i>friend of Pat Anderson</i>)	Lee Stephens (<i>brother of Tony</i>)
John Hunt (<i>friend of Ken and Marilyn Heppner</i>)	Konrad Swider (<i>friend of Al Swanson</i>)
Rob Kay (<i>brother of Tom Kay</i>)	Ilene Thompson (<i>sister of Marilyn Heppner</i>)
Don Kersten (<i>brother of Phyllis Kersten</i>)	Nate Tiemann (<i>son of Ernie, brother of Leslie Sleuwen</i>)
Sally Kindsfater (<i>sister of Mary Jane Endicott</i>)	Rev. Mark Van Scharrel (<i>friend of Karl and Ruth Reko</i>)
Lenny Kobilca (<i>friend of Deanna Marotz</i>)	Mary Lou and Ron Wagoner (<i>sister and brother-in-law of Stan Reddel</i>)
Andrew Korcek (<i>friend of Eunice Spurgat</i>)	Verna Walsh (<i>aunt of Dan and Deanna Marotz</i>)
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Kathryn Krubsack (<i>niece of Irmgard Swanson</i>)	Robert West (<i>friend of John and Carol Stanger</i>)
Marty Krueger (<i>cousin of Irmgard Swanson</i>)	Lucy White (<i>friend of Mary Beth Logas</i>)
Mary Jane Kuehnert (<i>friend of Stephanie and Lance Wilkening</i>)	Fr. Dennis Woerter (<i>friend of Grace E. Marotz</i>)
Maxx Kusper and family (<i>friends of Deb Maxwell</i>)	Elise Wojack (<i>niece of Pat Gulik</i>)
	Randi Woodworth (<i>sister of Tammy Bretscher</i>)
	Veronica Zurowski (<i>mother of Tom</i>)

Benevolence ministries

The Night Ministry

Thanksgiving for

The birth of **Gavin Tyler Marotz** (*son of Liz and Tyler Marotz*)

The birth of **Elijah Gabriel Samuelson-Roberts** (*son of Miriam and Daniel Samuelson-Roberts, grandson of Harriet and John Roberts*)

For those who mourn

Nadine Koehne (*mother of Bill Koehne, grandmother of Aiden, Ethan, and Ryan*)

Those serving in the armed services

Timothy Berghaus (*grandson of Len and Judy Berghaus*)

Kevin Buss (*nephew of Christa Krout*)

Reid Beveridge (*son-in-law of the Schnacks*)

David Danford (*son of John and Karen*)

E. Michael Garcia Goetting (*son of Mary Goetting*)

Matthew Garmatz (*grandson of Margaret Garmatz*)

Brent Knop (*great-nephew and godson of Martha Rohlfing*)

Bradley Larson (*cousin of Rhea Sprecher*)

Sonny Putman (*nephew of Susan Franzone*)

Rusty Robb (*grandnephew of Margaret Kruse/ Roberta Gillespie*)

Jason Brown (*nephew of Tim and Sue Sandvoss*)

Christopher W. Sylvester (*grandson of Janet Sylvester*)

Those in the foreign service

Julie Kmet (*friend of Ed and Susan Schumacher*)

Kari Paetzold (*niece of Jim and Sharman Galezenski*)

Those studying abroad

Colleen Lattyak (*Germany*)

Those who are homebound

Barbara Bunjes

Ruth Laux

Christopher Davis

Walt and Carolyn Martin

Marie Gierke

Joanne Nelson

Ronald Gresens

Barbara Rinnan

Gloria Hillert

Kathleen Wrobel

Those who need encouragement

Bruce Burnside (*friend of Bob and Margaret Burke*) in Oakhill Correctional Institution

Cheryl Luchetta (*friend of Joan Koerber*) in Logan Correctional Center

Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church

We are glad that you are worshipping with us!

If you are visiting us for the first time or would like to learn more about Grace, please complete this form, detach, and place it in the offering plate.

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Pat Gulik, Parish Nurse
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Gwen Gotsch, Communications Coordinator
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