

**“Be opened.”
And immediately his
ears were opened,
his tongue was released ...**

Mark 7:34-35, NRSV



*SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST*

*Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
500 South Wayne Avenue, Waynesboro, VA 22980
September 8, 2024*

*“A Community of Servants Sharing in the
Word and Work of Jesus”*

Service of the Word and HOLY COMMUNION

(All Creation Sings—Setting 12)

Congregational responses are in bold print

We welcome all our visitors, members, friends and family to this morning's celebration of the Word and Sacrament. We gather each week to worship, study and share fellowship so we can joyfully serve others. We especially welcome those new to our worship. If you are looking for a church home, we would love to tell you more about Grace! Please fill in a visitor card and place it in the offering plate.

We ask that all who commune fill in a communion card.

We have Gluten Free Communion Wafers available.

Please inform Communion Assistant of your need.

Restrooms: Located to your left as you face the rear of the church.

During worship, you'll notice parts of the service in regular type, which are spoken/prayed by various worship leaders. Then there are the parts you and the rest of the congregation respond and/or pray in bold type. All of us are participants as we worship God! When asked to stand, please do so as you are able.

As Jesus welcomed all in the crowds who gathered around him, so he welcomes us.

Gathering

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements



Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism.

Blessed be the Father, the ✙ Son, and the Holy Spirit, one God,
full of compassion and mercy,
abounding in steadfast love.

Amen.

Trusting God's promise of forgiveness,
let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Eternal God, our creator,
in you we live and move and have our being.
Look upon us, your children,
the work of your hands.
Forgive us all our offenses,
and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires.
By your grace draw us near to you,
our refuge and our strength;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit given to us.
In the mercy of almighty God,
Christ died for us while we still were sinners;
and for his sake, God ✙ forgives you all your sins.
Amen.



Gathering Song: *"Earth and All Stars"*

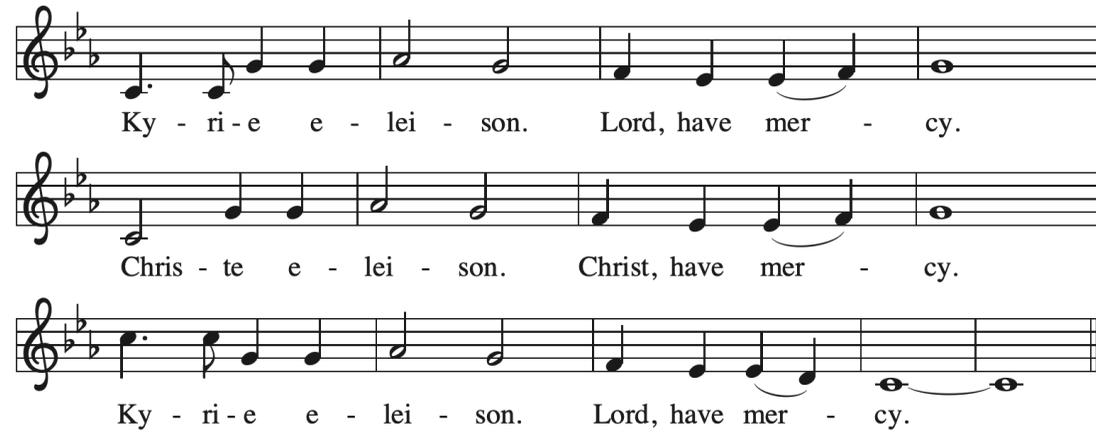
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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Kyrie

Hymn of Praise



1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;

yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.
yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.

Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;
Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;
Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;

ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.

Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;

yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord.

Amen.

We sit.

Word

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

A reading from Isaiah:

⁴Say to those who are of a fearful heart,

"Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance,
with terrible recompense. He will come and save you."

⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

⁶then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert;

⁷the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water;

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 146

¹Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

²I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

³Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

⁴When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.

⁵Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God,

⁶who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;

⁷who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets the prisoners free;

**⁸the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
the LORD loves the righteous.**

⁹The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow,
but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

¹⁰The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations.

Praise the LORD!

Second Reading: James 2:1-10, 14-17

A reading from James:

¹My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? ²For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, ³and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," ⁴have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? ⁷Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? ⁸You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ⁹But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. ¹⁴What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? ¹⁷So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

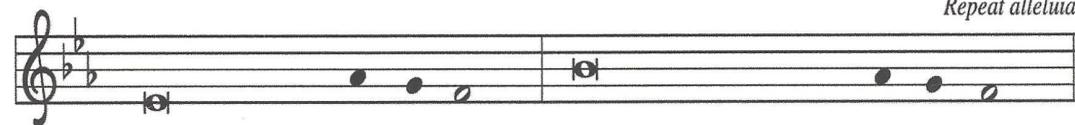
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

Repeat alleluia



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

Gospel: Mark 7:24-37

The holy gospel according to St. Mark:

Glory to you, O Lord

²⁴From there Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, ²⁵but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. ²⁶Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." ²⁸But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." ²⁹Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go — the demon has left your daughter." ³⁰So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

³¹Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. ³⁴Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." ³⁵And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Pastor Paul Pingel

Sermon

Pastor Paul Pingel

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Blessing for Grace's Rally Day

Insert

Apostles' Creed

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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.**

Imani ya Mitume

**Ninamwamini Mungu, Baba Mwenyezi,
Muumba wa mbingu na dunia;**

**Na Yesu Kristo, Mwana wake wa pekee,
Bwana wetu, aliyetwaa mwili kwa tendo
la Roho Mutakatifu, akazaliwa na Bikira
Maria. Akateswa zamani za Pontio
Pilato, akasulibiwa, akafa, akazikwa,
akashuka kuzimuni mwa wafu,
akafufuka katika wafu siku ya tatu,
akapanda mbinguni, anaka kwa
mukono wa kuume wa Mungu,
Baba Mwenyezi, ndipo atakuja tena
kuhukumu wazima na wafu.**

**Ninamwamini Roho Mutakatifu, Kanisa
kikristo takatifu, ushirika wa watakatifu,
ondoleo la zambi, ufufuko wa mwili, na
uzima wa milele. Amina.**

Prayers of Intercession

Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

Each portion of the prayers end with these or similar words.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Meal Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, saying, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

We sit.

Offering

We offer our thanks to God for "ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of God's gracious love" by our offerings. The offering plates will be passed by the ushers from the center aisle.

(Please place visitor cards and communion cards in the offering plate.)

Offertory

We stand.



Offertory Response:

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful *Offering Song*

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. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God,
source of every gift of your creation.
By these gifts and with our lives,
help us to serve one another and all in need,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also 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.



Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

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

Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:
Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.
You have filled all creation with light and life;
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age:
and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son,
who proclaimed the good news in word and deed
and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it,
and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat;
this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup
is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Join our prayers with those of your servants
of every time and every place,
and unite them with the ceaseless petitions
of our great high priest until
he comes as victorious Lord of all.
Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours,
almighty Father, now and forever.
Amen.



Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.



Invitation to Communion

Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.
Thanks be to God!

We sit.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

The Holy Communion

We sit.

OUR LORD BIDS YOU WELCOME TO THIS HOLY MEAL! At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel. Here we receive Christ's body and blood and God's gifts of forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation to be received by faith for the strengthening of faith. In this sacrament the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. This real presence is a mystery. Admission to the Sacrament is by invitation of the Lord — regardless of Church denomination — to those who are baptized. (Taken from the ELCA statement on worship. The Use and Means of Grace ©1997)

Ushers will invite you to come down the center aisle. Receive the bread from the pastor or assisting minister, then turn to the side you have sat on, and receive the wine/grape juice from the communion assistant at the altar rail. Place your empty cup in the trays at the end of the railing, and return to your pew via the side aisle.

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

Communion Hymn: “O Christ, Our Light, O Radiance True”

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We stand.

The Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Holy God,
**you have welcomed us to this meal
and fed us with dignity at your table.
Send us now to welcome others
and to be at peace with one another,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Sending

Celebration of Vocation and Blessing of Hands for Ministry

Insert

Blessing

God all mighty,
God most merciful
✝ bless you, keep you, and give you peace.
Amen.

Sending Song: “Oh For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

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Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude



 <i>Worship Assistants</i>	<i>Thanks to Our Worship Assistants Today!</i>	
	<i>Altar Flowers:</i>	<i>Open</i>
	<i>Altar Guild:</i>	
	<i>Assisting Minister:</i>	<i>Ron Almarode</i>
	<i>Communion Assistant:</i>	<i>Andrew Sell</i> <i>Tami Radecke</i>
	<i>Council Person of the Week:</i>	<i>Donna Yobs</i>
	<i>Offering Stewards:</i>	<i>Pat Brady</i> <i>Vivian Proctor</i>
<i>Ushers:</i>	<i>Jerry Kite</i> <i>Linda Meyer</i>	

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*The Chancel flowers are given this morning
to the Glory of God.*

*Next Sunday's Schedule and Lessons
September 15, 2024
Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost*



*Service of Holy Communion
and via You Tube*

*Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm 116:1-9
James 3:1-12
Mark 8:28-38*



*Please print your new prayer concerns before worship on the sheet in the white notebook located in the back of our Worship area. Please ask ushers if you need assistance. **Names on the prayer list will remain on for four weeks**, in an effort to make the prayer list current to the life of Grace congregation and the community and world around us. If the need is longer term, please notify the church office, and the person in need will be transferred to the "Ongoing Need for Prayer" list.*

Prayer Request for Members (Remain on List for four (4) weeks)

Nancy Dowdy

Prayer Request for Relatives/Friends (Remain on List for four (4) weeks)

Bill Aldridge, Neighbor of the Kites

Sue Ambrosic, Friend of the Trauschts

Bishop C. D. Brown, Friend of Grace

Chris Cody, Niece of Linda Tomey

Finn Farrey, Grandson of the Radeckes

Carrie Humphreys, Former Grace Member

Leah Manuel, Friend of Betty Karol Wilson

Alberta Muir, Friend of Betty Karol Wilson

Frank Short, Cousin of Tami Radecke

Joys and Celebrations (Remain on List for four (4) weeks)

Ongoing Need for Prayer for Members (Remain on List for three (3) months)

Marge Cloutier
Dwight & Ernestine Moomaw
Eleanor Sampson
Carol Wolf

Phyllis Kite
Glenn Myers
Carol Varner

Ongoing Need for Prayer for Relatives/Friends (Remain on List for three (3) months)

Zach Klemm, Friend of the Caisters
Roy Reid, Father of Mary Huerth
Laura Siwik, Niece of Linda Meyer

Members/Friends Grieving (Remain on List for four (4) weeks*)

Family of Bev Holloway, Friend of the Schwiesows
Family of Al McKechnie, Member of Grace
Family of Ted Straw - delivered flowers to Grace from Waynesboro Florist

Prayer of Thanksgiving for Congregation Members Celebrating Birthdays

Katie Morrison (09/08)

Antoinette Eckstrom (09/10)

William Proctor (09/12)

Sydney Rankin (09/10)

Karlton Stein (09/11)

Brad Keefer (09/14)

Anne Barnes (09/14)

Prayers for the World

- Prayers for the Peace only God can give in the Middle East, Ukraine, the Sudan and Haiti.
- Health Crisis over spreading M-pox in Congo with cases discovered worldwide.**
- Our National Election is slightly more than two months away: for the Candidates, for our privilege of voting, and for the gift of faith to guide our decisions.
- Recovery from flooding, hurricanes, and heat in our Nation and the Caribbean; landslide in Alaska.**
- In our technology driven society, our prayers for the dangers of Cyber-crime, and the gift of wisdom to discern Disinformation spread over the Internet leading to conflict around the world and in our .nation.
- Victims of School Shooting in Georgia; and our recurring sorrow over gun violence.**

The Church

- For WARM (Waynesboro Area Refuge Ministry); its new Executive Director Alec Gunn, and its ministry going forward.**
- The ELC-PNG (Evangelical Lutheran Church in Papua New Guinea) - our Companion Church of the Virginia Synod.



Interested in a Bike Ride? We have a wonderful area to ride bikes, enjoy God’s Creation and fellowship in Christ with each other. Sign up in the back if you’re interested in a group ride, and we’ll decide together on how to move forward.



Grandparents Day Viewing of the Movie “UP” At the Wayne Theater - Today at 2pm, Westminster Presbyterian, Grace, St. John Episcopal and First Baptist will host a viewing of the Pixar film “UP”, a 2009 film about a senior who finds himself with a young Scout, and their adventure discovering friendship, and coming to terms with loss. A Westminster member played on the orchestra who played the music for the film, and will share her experience. The cost is **FREE**, with free popcorn and drinks! Bring a grandchild and enjoy an “UP” afternoon!



The Memorial Service for Al McKechnie is this Saturday, September 14th at 2:00pm at Grace. The family invites you to Al’s home afterward for a celebration/reception.



Health Fair at Union Baptist—Saturday, September 21st, you are invited to a comprehensive Health Fair with many screenings and health information available for free! Food trucks and YMCA/Boys and Girls Club activities for children and youth also available. 10:00am—2:00pm at Union Baptist (next door to Happ coffee)! See flyer in the narthex for more details.



Round Table Meeting

Round Table Meeting—An important September meeting includes budget planning and other important activities for the next year. Tuesday the 10th at 7pm!



Evening Adult Bible Study September 19th - Each Sunday we read up to four readings. Some of the readings are “continuous,” for example, we may read through an epistle over a span of weeks, while others (the Old Testament reading and Psalm) usually are chosen to complement the Gospel. Last year we had a very positive response to preparing in advance for each Sunday, and invite YOU to be a part this year! Sign up in the back to take part (Zoom will be available)!



The Right to Read - Waynesboro Public Schools, Kiwanis and Raising Resources for Readers (3R's) is presenting a screening of the documentary The Right to Read, an hour-long film, at Kate Collins Middle School on Thursday, September 12th beginning at 5:30 (film begins at 6pm). A panel discussion featuring Grace member Mike Myers (Mike and Susan have supported children's reading through 3R's for many years) follows the film. RSVP waynesborokiwanisclub@gmail.com



New way to respond to God's Grace with our Offerings! Many people are turning to technology to offer their offerings to God in thanksgiving for all that God has done! You can use the QR code in this announcement to make your gift through your cell phone, through Tithely, a secure giving method that's been used by many at Grace for years.



Grace Walkers—The days are going to be getting cooler and it will be a perfect time to join the Grace Walkers. Each Thursday we walk the Greenway. It is beautiful to walk by the river to just enjoy nature and fellowship with friends. The wildflowers are beautiful and we have seen lots of birds, heron, occasionally a bald eagle, and deer. We meet at Grace's parking lot at 8:30 each Thursday morning. We don't all walk at the same pace but we start together and you will always find someone to go at your pace. Any questions, contact Gwen Kite at 540 910-0508.



The Church World Service 2024 **CROP Hunger Walk** is Sunday, September 29 at 2:00 pm beginning in Ridgeview Park. Our fundraising goal this year is \$1,000. Online donations can be made to our team, Grace Lutheran Waynesboro at <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/waynesborova>. One quarter of all monies raised locally stays in our area and supports the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank, Disciples Kitchen and VPAS Meals on Wheels. Please join our team to walk on September 29. If you have any questions, please call Karen Walck at 765-480-9920.



Quilting—The Grace Quilters will begin our quilting season on Tuesday, September 3 at 9:30 in the Fellowship Hall. We typically quilt every Tuesday. Last year we sent 44 quilts to Lutheran World Relief. Even if you don't sew, you can still participate. If you can tie a knot, iron a piece of fabric, or cut squares of fabric, there is somewhere that you can help. We can always use donations of cotton fabric and we use sheets for backs. Colored cotton double, queen or king size sheets work best. It has been requested from LWR that we not use micro fiber sheets. Sheets can be gently used but no stains or holes in them. Questions, contact Gwen Kite 540 910-0508



Rally Day, Sunday Fellowship Today - We kick off our Children's and Confirmation Sunday School! Adult Sunday School classes will begin on Sunday, 9/15, at 8:15 a.m., taught by Pr. Karen VanStee, with a focus on the **Gospel of Luke!** Children's Sunday School will focus on the **Bible Readings of each Sunday**, taught by Jane Blosser and/or Jake Dolan at 11:15 am.! AND Confirmation focuses on a study of the New Testament, starting with the Gospels, taught by Pastor Paul and Jake Dolan, also at 11:15 a.m.! AND, adults, come and enjoy refreshments and a brief presentation by the Worship and Music Committee in the Fellowship Hall! A big day in the life of Grace!



Rise Against Hunger Food Packing Event Signup: The event will take place Saturday, September 14, at Kate Collins Middle School in Waynesboro. Twenty-two area churches have been invited and we hope to pack over 30,000 meals this year. Event sign-up sheets are in the Nave. One sheet is for **Set Up** from 8:30-10:30 a.m. and the other sheet is for **Meal Packing** from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please join in this fun event. If you have any questions please contact Jerry or Gwen Kite.



Food Pantry Collections: A huge thanks to everyone as you continue to bring food for the food bank box near the office. To date, we have collected over **4,446** pounds of food (we have made **forty-four** deliveries, twenty to Main Street United Methodist, and twenty-four to Calvary United Methodist, Stuarts Draft). That's 2 1/2 tons!



Life of Grace Church
Sept 8—Sept 15, 2024

Day of the Week	Date	Time	Event
Sunday	09/08	10:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost Service of Holy Communion Pastor Pingel, Preaching and Presiding First Sunday Fellowship Children's Sunday School Confirmation Class Grandparents Day Viewing of "UP" (The Wayne Theater)
Tuesday	09/10	9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Quilting Group (Fellowship Hall) Pastor Conference (Conference Room) Worship & Music (Conference Room) Round Tables (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday	09/11	10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:15 p.m.	 Prayer Group Community Meal (Fellowship Hall) Yoga (Seminar Room) Choir Practice
Thursday	09/12	8:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	 Grace Walkers Bridge Club (Fellowship Hall) Virginia Organizing (Fellowship Hall)
Saturday	09/14	10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	Rise Against Hunger Yoga (Seminar Room) Al McKechnie Memorial Service (Grace Church)
Sunday	09/15	8:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 11:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School (Seminar Room) Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost Service of Holy Communion Pastor Pingel, Preaching and Presiding Children's Sunday School Confirmation Class Grace 131 Committee Meeting (Conference Room)

<p>Monday Job 12:1-6, 13-25 Acts 11:19-30 John 8:21-32 Morning Psalm 5, Evening 82</p>		<p>Thursday Job 16:16-22; 17:1, 13-16 Acts 13:1-12 John 9:1-17 Morning Psalm 97, Evening 16</p>
<p>Tuesday Job 12:1; 13:3-17, 21-27 Acts 12:1-17 John 8:33-47 Morning Psalm 42, Evening 102</p>		<p>Friday Job 19:1-7, 14-27 Acts 13:13-25 John 9:18-41 Morning Psalm 51, Evening 142</p>
<p>Wednesday Job 12:1; 14:1-22 Acts 12:18-25 John 8:47-59 Morning Psalm 89:1-18, Evening 1</p>		<p>Saturday Job 22:1-4, 21-23:7 Acts 13:26-43 John 10:1-18 Morning Psalm 104 Evening 138</p>



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