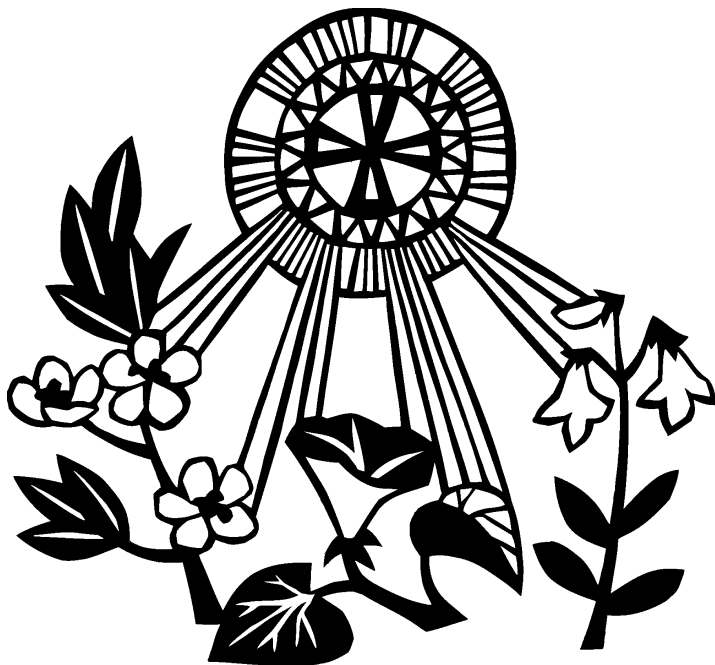


## Welcome to Worship

*Our Mission: To boldly live out our faith in Jesus through worship, fellowship, and service to God and our neighbor, here and around the world.*

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**Sunday, May 10, 2026 - 10:45 AM**



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**Rev. Dr. Allison Cobb:** Senior Pastor  
**Nicole Kolbe:** Office Administrator  
**Brad Anderson:** Maintenance  
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At Grace Lutheran, we believe in the real presence of Christ in Holy Communion, and we practice eucharistic hospitality with an open table. **All persons**, whether visiting or a member, are welcome to meet Jesus at the table. Please ask your communion server if you prefer grape juice or a gluten free communion kit. The ushers will direct you to the front for communion or you may receive communion in your pew. Jesus invites all to come and be fed, forgiven, and free!

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## **Prelude and Bell Ringing**

**Praise Band**

## **Welcome and Offering of Peace**

**P:** The Peace of Christ be with you always.

**All:** **And also with you.**

**P:** Welcome to Worship!

## **Announcements**

## **Call to Worship**

### **† Thanksgiving for Baptism**

**P:** Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**All:** **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**P:** Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

**All:** **Amen.**

**P:** Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P:** Merciful God,  
you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you.

**All:** **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

**P:** Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

**All:** **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

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† *The congregation is invited to stand as you are able.*

P: Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.  
Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of  
peace. Blessed are you.

**All: You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

P: Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and  
for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels,  
giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

‡ **Gathering Song**

*Holy Water*

Verse 1      God I'm on my knees again  
                  God I'm begging please again  
                  I need You  
                  Oh I need You  
                  Walking down these desert roads  
                  Water for my thirsty soul  
                  I need You  
                  Oh I need You

Chorus        Your forgiveness  
                  Is like sweet sweet honey on my lips  
                  Like the sound of a symphony to my ears  
                  Like holy water (on my skin)

Verse 2        Dead man walking slave to sin  
                  I wanna know about being born again  
                  I need You  
                  Oh God I need You  
                  So take me to the riverside  
                  Take me under baptize  
                  I need You  
                  Oh God I need You oh (Chorus)

Bridge x2     I don't wanna abuse Your grace  
                  God I need it ev'ry day  
                  It's the only thing that ever really  
                  Makes me wanna change (Chorus)

Ending        Yeah it's like holy water on my skin  
                  Oh it's like holy water

## † Greeting

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

All: And also with you.

## † Kyrie

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy; have mer - cy, O Lord.

## † Song of Praise

Bless-ed be God, the source of all life, the word of sal -

va - tion, the spir - it of mer - cy.

## † Prayer of the Day

**Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## First Reading: Acts 17:22-31

<sup>22</sup> Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely spiritual you are in every way. <sup>23</sup> For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup> The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, <sup>25</sup> nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. <sup>26</sup> From

one ancestor he made all peoples to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live,<sup>27</sup> so that they would search for God and perhaps fumble about for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us.<sup>28</sup> For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said,

‘For we, too, are his offspring.’

<sup>29</sup> “Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals.<sup>30</sup> While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent,<sup>31</sup> because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:13-22**

<sup>13</sup> Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? <sup>14</sup> But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated,<sup>15</sup> but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you,<sup>16</sup> yet do it with gentleness and respect. Maintain a good conscience so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame.<sup>17</sup> For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God’s will, than to suffer for doing evil.<sup>18</sup> For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit,<sup>19</sup> in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison,<sup>20</sup> who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight lives, were saved through water.<sup>21</sup> And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,<sup>22</sup> who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

**Children's Message (Sing)*****I've Got the Joy***

I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart  
 Down in my heart!  
 Down in my heart!  
 I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart  
 Down in my heart to stay

**† Gospel Acclamation**

What are you look - ing for? Come,  
 see, come and see. What are you  
 look - ing for? Come and see. Come and see.

P: A reading from the Gospel of John. **All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**† Gospel: John 14:15-21**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>15</sup> “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup> This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you. <sup>18</sup> “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. <sup>19</sup> In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup> On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup> They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those

who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

**Pastor Cole McCormick**

† **Song of the Day**

*Spirit of the Living God*

Verse 1 x2 Spirit of the living God  
 Spirit of the living God  
 We only want to hear Your voice  
 We're hanging on ev'ry word  
 Spirit of the living God  
 Spirit of the living God  
 We want to know You more and more  
 We're hanging on ev'ry word

Chorus 'Cause when You speak and when You move  
 When You do what only You can do  
 It changes us  
 It changes what we see and what we seek  
 When You come in the room  
 When You do what only You can do  
 It changes us  
 It changes what we see and what we seek  
 You're changing ev'rything

Verse 2 Spirit of the living God  
 Spirit of the living God  
 We're leaning in to all You are  
 Ev'rything else can wait  
 Spirit of the living God  
 Spirit of the living God  
 Come now and breathe upon our hearts  
 Come now and have Your way (Chorus)

Bridge 1 When You move You move all our fears  
 When You move You move us to tears  
 When You move You move all our fears  
 When You move You move us to tears

Bridge 2      When You fall we fall on our knees  
                   When You fall we fall at Your feet  
                   And when You fall we fall on our knees  
                   And when You fall we fall at Your feet yeah (Chorus)

Ending        Spirit of the living God  
                   Spirit of the living God  
                   We only want to hear Your voice  
                   We're hanging on ev'ry word

‡ **Nicene Creed**

**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**



### **Loaves and Fishes Offering**

*Youth are invited to walk forward and place their offering into the basket. Just like the little boy who gave his 2 fish and 5 loaves to Jesus, who multiplied them to feed thousands, the youth offering will go to The Grace Food Pantry. Adults are welcome to give a child an offering to bring up too.*

### **Offering Song**

### ***All Who Are Thirsty***

Verse            All who are thirsty  
                    All who are weak  
                    Come to the fountain  
                    Dip your heart in the stream of life  
                    Let the pain and the sorrow  
                    Be washed away  
                    In the waves of His mercy  
                    As deep cries out to deep  
                    (We sing)

Chorus 1        Come Lord Jesus come  
                    Come Lord Jesus come (REPEAT)

Verse

Chorus 1

Chorus 2        Holy Spirit come  
                    Holy Spirit come (REPEAT)

Interlude        As deep cries out to deep  
                    As deep cries out to deep  
                    As deep cries out to deep we sing (Chorus 1)

### **Offering Prayer**

Merciful God, **accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, Amen.**

### ‡ **Holy Communion**

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.

### ‡ **Lords Prayer**

**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.**

### **Communion Song**

### *Firm Foundation*

Verse 1      Christ is my firm foundation  
                   The rock on which I stand  
                   When everything around me is shaken  
                   I've never been more glad  
                   That I put my faith in Jesus  
                   'Cause He's never let me down  
                   He's faithful through generations  
                   So why would He fail now

Chorus 1    He won't He won't

Verse 2      I've still got joy in chaos  
                   I've got peace that makes no sense  
                   So I won't be going under  
                   I'm not held by my own strength

'Cause I've built my life on Jesus  
 He's never let me down  
 He's faithful in every season  
 So why would He fail now

Chorus 2    He won't He won't  
               He won't fail  
               He won't fail (no) (Verse 1)

Bridge        (Oh) Rain came and wind blew  
                   But my house was built on You  
                   (And) I'm safe with You  
                   I'm going to make it through (REPEAT)

Vamp         Yeah I'm going to make it through  
                   'Cause I'm standing strong on You  
                   Yeah I'm going to make it through  
                   'Cause my house is built on You (Verse 1)

Chorus 3    He won't He won't  
               He won't fail  
               He won't fail no He won't

### **Prayer after Communion**

P:        Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among  
            us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace  
            to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing  
            to the nations. In the name of Jesus,

**All: Amen.**

### † **Blessing**

P:        God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ,  
            the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace,  
            bless you now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

### † **Sending Song**                    *Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble*

Verse 1        Did you feel the mountains tremble  
                   Did you hear the oceans roar  
                   When the people rose to sing of  
                   Jesus Christ the risen One

Verse 2        Did you feel the people tremble  
                   Did you hear the singers roar  
                   When the lost began to sing of  
                   Jesus Christ the saving One

Pre-Chorus    And we can see that God You're moving  
                   A mighty river through the nations  
                   And young and old will turn to Jesus  
                   Fling wide you heavenly gates  
                   Prepare the way of the risen Lord

Chorus         Open up the doors and let the music play  
                   Let the streets resound with singing  
                   Songs that bring Your hope  
                   Songs that bring Your joy  
                   Dancers who dance upon injustice

Verse 3        Do you feel the darkness tremble  
                   When all the saints join in one song  
                   And all the streams flow as one river  
                   To wash away our brokenness

Pre-Chorus    And here we see that God You're moving  
                   A time of jubilee is coming  
                   When young and old return to Jesus  
                   Fling wide you heavenly gates  
                   Prepare the way of the risen Lord (Chorus)

### † Sending

P:        Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

All:     **Thanks be to God.**

### Postlude