

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

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ORDER OF SERVICE

Setting # 3

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

Prelude

Organ

“Bells at Twilight”

Frederic Groton

Welcome and Worship Notes

Announcements

*Confession and Forgiveness (*left side*)

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*Sharing of the Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you always.

Response: **And also with you.**

GATHERING

*Gathering Hymn, **ELW No. 552**

Blessed Be the God of Israel

*Apostolic Greeting

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**Kyrie*

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*Hymn of Praise, *“Glory to God...”*

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*Prayer of the Day

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Nehemiah 8:1-8

¹ all the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told Ezra the scribe to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. ² Accordingly, Ezra the priest brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. ³ He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand, and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. ⁴ Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden platform that had been made for the purpose, and beside him stood Mattithiah, Shema, Anaiah, Uriah, Hilkiah, and Maaseiah on his right hand and Pedaiah, Mishael, Malchijah, Hashum, Hash-baddanah, Zechariah, and Meshullam on his left hand. ⁵ And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people, and when he opened it, all the people stood up. ⁶ Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, “Amen, Amen,” lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. ⁷ Also the Levites Jeshua, Bani, Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodiah, Maaseiah, Kelita,

Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah helped the people to understand the law, while the people remained in their places. ⁸ So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

Psalm 119:97-105

(Read responsively, by whole verse)

⁹⁷ Oh, how I love your teaching!

All the day long it is in my mind.

⁹⁸ **Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies,
for it is always with me.**

⁹⁹ I have more understanding than all my teachers,
for your decrees are my study.

¹⁰⁰ **I am wiser than the elders,
because I observe your commandments.**

¹⁰¹ I restrain my feet from every evil way,
that I may keep your word.

¹⁰² **I do not turn aside from your judgements,
because you yourself have taught me.**

¹⁰³ How sweet are your words to my taste!
They are sweeter than honey to my mouth.

¹⁰⁴ **Through your commandments I gain understanding;
therefore I hate every lying way.**

¹⁰⁵ Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light upon my path.

Second Reading

Acts 8:26-35

²⁶ Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) ²⁷ So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, the queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸ and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹ Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." ³⁰ So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" ³¹ He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. ³² Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. ³³ In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth." ³⁴ The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone

else?” ³⁵ Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus.

*Gospel Acclamation

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*Gospel Announced *“The holy gospel....”*

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Response: Glory to you, O Lord.

*Gospel

Luke 10:25-37

²⁵ An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ²⁶ He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” ²⁷ He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself.” ²⁸ And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.” ²⁹ But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” ³⁰ Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” ³⁷ He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

*Gospel Proclamation *“The gospel of the Lord”*

Response: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon *“Before You Open the Bible”*

Pastor Emily Martin

*Sermon Hymn, **ELW No. 512**

Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

THE LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Apostles’ Creed

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*Prayer Litany, **ELW No. 752** ***Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying***

*Prayers of Intercession

Pastor: “Merciful God,”

Response: “receive our prayer.”

*Great Thanksgiving p. 144
*Words of Institution **“In the night...”**
*Our Lord’s Prayer p. 145
Distribution of Holy Communion

*Communion **“*Lamb of God*”** p.146

*Post Communion Prayer

*Benediction

*Dismissal:

P: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

C: Thanks be to God, and we will.

SENDING

*Sending Hymn, ELW No. **537**

On Our Way Rejoicing

Postlude

Organ

“Verset”

G. F. Broadhead

ALTAR FLOWERS – are given to the Glory of God in celebration of their 35th Wedding Anniversary this Pentecost season by Larry and Sonja Jacobus. Open sponsor dates are: (September 20th, October 4th and November 15th). Opportunities are available for 2026 see chart by elevator.

COMMUNION ELEMENTS - are given to the Glory of God this Pentecost season. Open sponsor dates are: (August 16th, and 23rd, September 13th, 20th and 27th). Opportunities are available in 2026 see chart by elevator.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Don Belcher, Janet Belcher, Joanne Burgess, Brian Dugan, Arnold Erickson, Marilyn Erickson, Kris Ewing, Mike Golden, Michael Hamilton, Jim Hoffman, Virginia Jacobson, Jackie Johnson, Eric Linford, Susan Nordholm, Steve Renzi.

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS – you will find blank Prayer Request cards in the Narthex on the rectangular table. Please complete both sides of the card; prayer requests put on back of the card. You may leave them in Pastor Emily box outside the Church Office.

EMERGENCY PASTORAL CARE - to reach Pastor Emily send an e-mail to emartin@gvvc.org or contact the Church Office at (515) 266-8074, you can leave a message on the Church Office phone.

LAWN MOWING SPONSORSHIP – you can designate contributions to the Mowing or Snow removal fund for future usage.

DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS - the next quarterly devotional booklets (July thru September 2026) are available in the Narthex. The Word In Season (Regular print only); Christ In Our Home (Regular and Large print).

FELLOWSHIP COFFEE HOUR – you will find sign-up sheets located on bulletin board outside kitchen area of the Fellowship Hall. Open Host Dates: August thru November 2026.

WELCA SALAD LUNCHEON - Grand View women are invited to attend the **Thursday August 6th** luncheon at Luther Memorial (Lykke Center). **PLEASE NOTE** the time change for this event will be **11:30 am**. If you plan to attend, we request you provide a salad to share. Join WELCA for the luncheon and following they will prepare plastic sacks to take to Prince of Peace Lutheran where they are to be made into mats for the homeless.

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday	9:00	Holy Communion
	10:00	Fellowship Coffee Hour
Monday		Church Office Closed
Wednesday	10:30	Stitchers
Thursday	11:30	WELCA Luncheon & Service Project @ Luther Memorial
Saturday	5:00	Holy Communion
Sunday	9:00	Holy Communion
	10:00	Fellowship Coffee Hour

Worship Leaders

Emily Martin	Pastor
	Chancel Choir Director
Brynn Fuller	Chancel Choir Student Director
Sawyer Shiffler	Organist
Brian Kinnan	Video Producer
John Cooper	Usher
Shae Fuller	Acolyte
Adam Fuller	Lector
Olivia Hilton & Adam Fuller	Communion Assistants

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WELCA WOMEN'S GROUP REQUEST – you are invited to bring in plastic sacks and place them in a box in the Narthex (now until August 6th); the women will then cut into strips and deliver them to Prince of Peace Lutheran for making mats for the homeless. Thank you in advance for your assistance with this request.

JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE AND POTLUCK – the next scheduled joint worship and potluck will occur the last Sunday in August. **Luther Memorial** will host on **Sunday August 30th** that service and potluck. **Please Note:** The worship service will begin at **9:30 am** on that particular Sunday. There will be no **5:00 pm** (Saturday Evening worship service) or **9:00 am** worship service at **Grand View Lutheran** that weekend; and no **10:30 am** worship service at **Luther Memorial** on that day. You are requested to bring either a main dish, side dish, salad or dessert to share. Join us for this special joint service at **9:30 am** followed by a potluck in the Lykke Center.

TODD JACOBUS – was awarded the “Veterans of Foreign Wars Commander-in-Chief Gold Medal of Merit and Citation.” This ceremony took place on July 28th in Reno. This prestigious award is well deserved based on all his military duties and service to the State of Iowa. Congratulations Todd!