

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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ORDER OF SERVICE

Setting # 3

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

Prelude

Organ

“Song Without Words”

Franz Liszt
arr. George Blake

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. 597

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

*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

Exodus 17:8-13

⁸Then Amalek came and fought with Israel at Rephidim. ⁹Moses said to Joshua, “Choose some men for us and go out; fight with Amalek. Tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand.” ¹⁰So Joshua did as Moses told him and fought with Amalek, while Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. ¹¹Whenever Moses held up his hand, Israel prevailed, and whenever he lowered his hand, Amalek prevailed. ¹²But Moses’s hands grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it. Aaron and Hur held up his hands, one on either side, so his hands were steady until the sun set. ¹³And Joshua defeated Amalek and his people with the sword.

Psalm 46:1-7

(Read responsively, by whole verse)

- ¹ God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
- ² **Therefore we will not fear,
though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake
in the depths of the sea;**
- ³ though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble
with its tumult.
- ⁴ **There is a river whose streams
make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation
of the Most High.**
- ⁵ God is in the midst of the city;
it shall not be shaken;
God shall help it
at the break of day.
- ⁶ **The nations rage,
and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks,
and the earth melts away.**
- ⁷ The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Second Reading

Hebrews 4:12-16

¹² Indeed, the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³ And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. ¹⁴ Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Choral Anthem

“Go In The Grace Of The Lord”

Chancel Choir

words and music by
James Barnard

*Gospel Acclamation p.142a
*Gospel Announced *“The holy gospel....”* p.143
Response: Glory to you, O Lord.

*Gospel Matthew 11:25-30

²⁵ At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶ yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷ All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸ “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

*Gospel Proclamation *“The gospel of the Lord”*
Response: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon *“God Won’t Give You More Than You Can Handle”*
Pastor Emily Martin

*Sermon Hymn, **ELW No. 608** *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling*

THE LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Apostles’ Creed p.105

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

*Prayers of Intercession
Pastor: “Hear us, O God.”
Response: “Your mercy is great.”

*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: Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

C: **Thanks be to God; and we will.**

SENDING

*Sending Hymn, **ELW No. 325**

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

Postlude

Organ

“Day of Joy”

James Denton

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday	9:00	Holy Communion Choir Returns
	10:00	Fellowship Coffee Hour
	10:00	Staff Support
	10:15	Sunday School Begins New Term
Monday		Church Office Closed
	7:00	Council
Wednesday	10:30	Stitchers
	5:30	Family Dinner
	6:30	Choir
Saturday	5:00	Holy Communion Food Pantry
Sunday	9:00	Holy Communion Food Pantry
	10:00	Fellowship Coffee Hour
	10:15	Sunday School

Worship Leaders

Emily Martin	Pastor
Davis Robe	Chancel Choir Director
Brynn Fuller	Chancel Choir Student Director
Sawyer Shiffler	Organist
Brian Kinnan	Video Producer
Karen Nordholm	Usher
Shae Fuller	Acolyte
Olivia Hilton	Lector
Olivia Hilton & Sonja Jacobus	Communion Assistants

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ALTAR FLOWERS – are given to the Glory of God in honor and memory of Kristina Davis (daughter of Valerie Rychel Davis) this Pentecost season by Mindy Griffith. Open sponsor dates are: (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: (September 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, Jim Hoffman, Virginia Jacobson, Jackie Johnson, Susan Nordholm, Steve Renzi.

CALLED HOME ROBERT COOPER – that our brother in Christ (Robert Cooper) passed away on August 19th. He was the husband of Margaret Cooper (deceased). A visitation was held on August 28th. Memorials can be directed to St. Jude Research Hospital in memory of Robert per the family's request. Please keep in your prayers his two sons; Brian and Kelly Cooper of Montgomery Illinois; and Kenny and Mandy Cooper of Waukeet Iowa and grandchildren Larkyn, Meyer, Oliver and Camden; along with Robert's extended family and friends during this time of loss.

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@gvlg.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: September thru November 2026.

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CHOIR REHEARSALS – the Chancel Choir have resumed rehearsals on **Wednesdays at 6:30 pm** in the Sanctuary; and a short Sunday rehearsal before worship service. They will begin singing regularly at our 9:00 am Sunday worship service. Welcome back Chancel Choir members.

SUNDAY SCHOOL – is scheduled to begin on **Sunday September 13th at 10:15 am**. Students come after worship to Fellowship Hall for refreshments then proceed upstairs to classroom for class.

FAMILY DINNERS RESUME – we will resume on **Wednesday September 16th at 5:30 pm** the Family Dinners. The suggested price is **\$4.00** per person or **\$10.00** for families. Menu: **Pancakes**.

NEXT WEEKEND FOOD PANTRY – is Food Pantry Weekend September 19th & 20th. Please use the Food Pantry envelopes in the pew racks to make a financial contribution toward this vital ministry.

FELLOWSHIP DINNER – Please set aside **Saturday, September 26th, 6:30 pm** in the evening for a fellowship dinner. We're going to Bennigan's on Merle Hay Road. If planning on attending we request that no later than **Tuesday September 22nd**; you let Paul Stoutenburg know via texting (515) 360-0540, your name and number of people attending. Thank you!

ALPHA COURSE – a nine-week opportunity to explore faith, ask questions, meet new people, and have conversations that matter.

Alpha will begin meeting weekly starting on **Sunday evenings October 4th from 6:00–8:00 p.m. in the Lykke Center at Luther Memorial Church**. Each week will include a meal together, a teaching, and time for conversation around the table. Pastor Emily invites you to **give yourself the gift of one night a week, for nine weeks, to explore and dive deeper into your faith**. She asks if you would be willing to **host the meal for one week**, or if you would be interested in **helping host a table discussion**, please reach out to Pastor Emily on either or both of these requests. You don't need to be an expert to help lead a discussion. Questions and materials will be provided.

CONFIRMATION CLASS – will begin on Wednesday October 7th from **6:30-7:30 pm at Grand View Lutheran Church**. Please let Pastor Emily know if you have children or grandchildren who would be of age so she can reach out to their family; questions please direct them to Pastor Emily at emartin@gvlc.org.