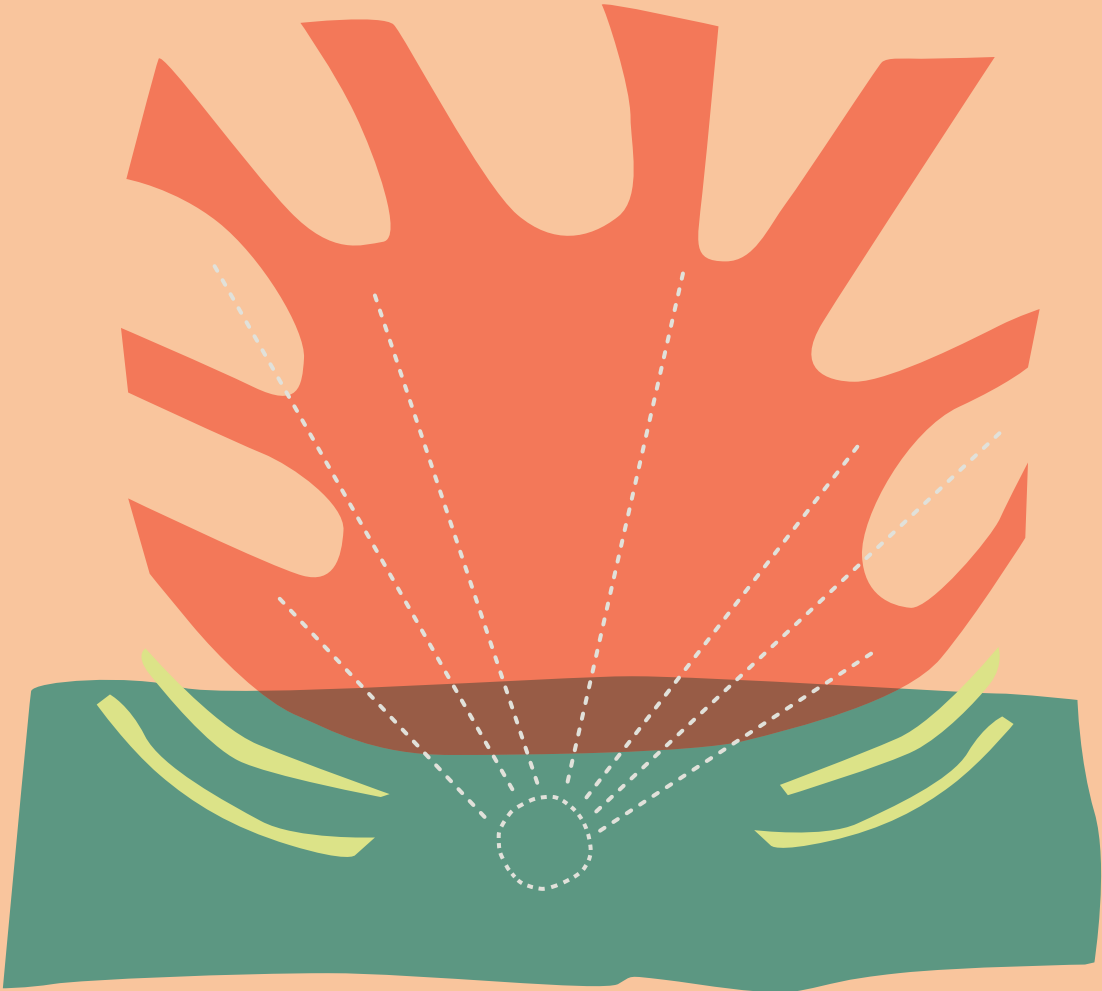


GOD OF GRACE

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 21, 2022



**TODAY'S OFFERING OF WORSHIP
THIS ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

We gather together...

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

People, open your ears and hear of the greatness of our God, who established the vast expanse of the universe and intricacies of the atomic realm.

How great must God be to do the things?

People, open your eyes and see the magnificence of creation, its beauty, its balance, and its bountiful resources.

How great must God be to do the things?

People, open your hearts to see how generous God has been to us, and how unworthy we are to receive these things, and how much we take them for granted.

How can God continue to offer such graces to us?

People, open your mouths and offer God your worship, thanks, and praise, as God is quick to forgive us when we confess our missteps, and gracious to restore us to a place of favor.

Let us worship our God, a God of love, mercy, forgiveness and restoration.

*HYMN #34: *Not unto Us, O Lord*

***INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

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

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen.

...to hear God's Word...

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 1:1 4-10

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Amen.**

PSALM

Psalms 71:1-6 **Amen.**

SECOND LESSON:

Hebrews 12:18-29

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Amen.**

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Luke 13:10-17

The Gospel of our Lord, God's living Word. **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

***HYMN #525:** *Wonderful Words of Life*

SERMON: *Rev. Todd Johnson*

...and to respond with our lives...

***HYMN #485:** *I Stand Amazed in the Presence*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERINGS OF CHURCH LIFE AND FINANCES

***Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

...in the places we now go.

***HYMN** #608: *God of Grace and God of Glory*

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

**The Lord bless you and keep you
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
And be gracious
Gracious, Gracious to you.
The Lord up lift his countenance upon you
And give you
Give you, Give you peace.**

POSTLUDE

*Join us after the service, just outside the front doors,
for coffee, treats and a time of conversation.*

Welcome!

SPECIAL THANKS to our guest musician, **Eric Verlinde**, for providing music for this morning's service!

GREETERS: Leach family

READERS: James and Sloane Haagenon

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Deeann Puffert

USHER: Corbin Sheffels

COFFEE SERVERS: Dick and Carol Sundholm

LIVESTREAM: Signe Blomgren



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