

## AUGUST 3, 2025 - 10:00 A.M. SERVICE

\*Indicates we will rise in body or spirit

**Prelude**

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**Welcome**

**\*Call to Worship:**

Come to the Lord, who is rich in grace; approach our God, who is full of mercy.

**ALL: We will praise God with all our heart and glorify the name of the Most High forever.**

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**\*Songs of Praise:**

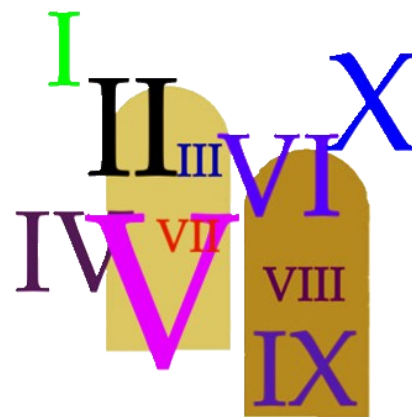
### **Lead Me, Guide Me**

Lead me, guide me, along the way,  
For if you lead me, I cannot stray.  
Lord, let me walk each day with you,  
Lead me my whole life through.

I am weak and I need your strength and power  
To endure with grace my weakest hour.  
Help me through the darkness your face to see.  
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Lead me, guide me, along the way,  
For if you lead me, I cannot stray.  
Lord, let me walk each day with you,  
Lead me my whole life through.

Help me walk in the paths of righteousness;  
Be my aid when Satan and sin oppress.  
I am trusting you whate'er may be.  
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.



Lead me, guide me, along the way,  
For if you lead me, I cannot stray.  
Lord, let me walk each day with you,  
Lead me my whole life through.

I am lost if you take your hand from me,  
I am blind without your light to see.  
Lord, forever may I your servant be.  
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Lead me, guide me, along the way,  
For if you lead me, I cannot stray.  
Lord, let me walk each day with you,  
Lead me my whole life through.

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### **Cry of My Heart**

It is the cry of my heart to follow You  
It is the cry of my heart to be close to You  
It is the cry of my heart to follow  
All of the days of my life

Teach me Your holy ways, oh Lord  
So I can walk in Your truth,  
Teach me Your holy ways, oh Lord  
And make me wholly devoted to You.

It is the cry of my heart to follow You  
It is the cry of my heart to be close to You  
It is the cry of my heart to follow  
All of the days of my life

Open my eyes so I can see  
The wonderful things that You do,  
Open my heart up more and more  
And make it wholly devoted to You.

It is the cry of my heart to follow You  
It is the cry of my heart to be close to You  
It is the cry of my heart to follow  
All of the days of my life  
All of the days of my life  
All of the days of my life

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## **God's Greeting / Mutual Greetings**

### **Time of Confession:**

When we look at the relationships we hope to have with one another, and with God, we must admit how broken we are. But, as we gather in the presence of God, we are promised forgiveness and healing, if we will confess our sins. Please join me, as we pray to the One who never ceases to love us.

You know how stubborn we can be, Holy God. You call us to serve others, and we stay in the coolness of our own homes. You would send us to where the hopeless live, but we are reluctant to leave the comfort of our complacency. You would feed us on the peace and joy of your word, but we pull our chairs up to the tables of those who serve false promises. Forgive us, Guiding God. Transform our defiance into discipleship, and our rejection of others into the resurrection of welcoming all people as made in the image of Christ. Help us to love as faithfully as you have always loved us, and send us forth to take the good news of Jesus Christ to everyone we meet. Amen.

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### **Assurance of Forgiveness:**

We open our lips and confess our hearts. God hears our words and make us new, sending us out to bring hope and joy to all the world.

**ALL: We hear the good news, we believe the good news, we will live out the good news. Thanks be to God. Amen!**

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## **God's Will for Our Lives:**

God spoke all these words:

"I am the Lord your God. You shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol,

Whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

You shall not bow down to them or worship them.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house;

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife,  
Or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

## **The Greatest Commandment**

Love the Lord your God  
With all your heart and soul and mind  
And love your neighbor as yourself

Love the Lord your God  
With all your heart and soul and mind  
And love your neighbor as yourself

Let us be known, let us be known  
By the way we love

Let us be known, let us be known  
By the way we love

Love the Lord your God  
With all your heart and soul and mind  
And love your neighbor as yourself

Love the Lord your God  
With all your heart and soul and mind  
And love your neighbor as yourself

Let us be known  
Let us be known  
By the way we love

Love the Lord your God  
With all your heart and soul and mind  
And love your neighbor as yourself

Let us be known  
Let us be known  
By the way we love

Love, love, love  
The greatest commandment is love.

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### **Prayer for our Church:**

**ALL:**

**Loving Father, lead and guide us along life's way. We know that without your presence in our lives, we would certainly stray. We pray that You would create and renew clean hearts in us, so that we may serve You with pure minds and actions in our personal lives, and in our life as Grace Church. May we remain faithful, striving always to love You above all, and loving our neighbors as we love ourselves. Amen.**

### **Prayers of the People: Eleanor Lamsma**

### **Song of Preparation:**

#### **Speak, O Lord**

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You  
To receive the food, of Your Holy Word.  
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;  
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness;  
That the light of Christ might be seen today  
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.  
Speak, O Lord and fulfill in us  
All Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience,  
Holy reverence, true humility.  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes;  
In the radiance of Your purity.  
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see  
Your majestic love and authority.  
Words of pow'r that can never fail;  
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;  
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,  
That will echo down through eternity.  
And by grace we'll stand on your promises;  
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.  
Speak, O Lord, 'til Your church is built,  
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

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**Scripture: Matthew 5:27-28**

**Message: You Shall Not Commit Adultery**

*(Parents: please get your children from Children's Worship during the song)*

**\*Song of Response: Lord Jesus, Think On Me**

Lord Jesus, think on me,  
And purge away my sin;  
From earth-born passions set me free,  
And make me pure within.

Lord Jesus, think on me,  
With care and woe oppressed;  
Let me your loving servant be,  
And taste your promised rest.

Lord Jesus, think on me,  
Nor let me go astray;  
Through darkness and perplexity  
Point to the heavenly way.

Lord Jesus, think on me,  
That when this life is past  
I may th'eternal brightness see  
And share your joy at last.

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### **Lord's Supper:**

Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God! People will come from east and west, from north and south, and will sit at table in the kingdom of God.

When our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took the bread, and blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him.

This is the Lord's table.

Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast that he has prepared.

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Holy, Holy, Holy are you, Lord God Almighty. We give you thanks today, for you stooped down from heaven to become incarnate as a human being.

Jesus, you came into our midst and became as one of us, yet without sin, so that you could take all of our sins away from us. Thank you, Jesus, for showing us what it means to love as you love, and not to hate as we would hate. For Christ, in this meal we are about to celebrate, you broke bread with the one who was to betray you. You drank with

the one who was to deny you. And yet, you showed love, even unto the very end. May we strive evermore to follow that example in every part of our lives, O Christ. May we rid ourselves of impure thoughts about ourselves and our neighbors and instead turn and love, cherish, and protect, even when others do not seem to be deserving of it. For you, our Savior, have loved, cherished, and protected us when we have not deserved it, and we trust that you will continue to do so as you draw us and the world ever closer to you.

Be with us in this sacrament, Holy Spirit, and give us fresh eyes to see the world as you see it and to love the world as you love it. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

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As we draw near to the table of our Lord, let us stand and confess our Christian faith:

**ALL:**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord,  
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the  
virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and  
was buried; He descended to hell.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of  
God the Father almighty. From there 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.**



The Lord Jesus, on the night of his arrest, took bread, and after giving thanks to God, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

*~Distribution of the Bread~*

Take, eat remember, and believe that the body of our Lord Jesus Christ was given for the complete forgiveness for all our sins.

In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

*~Distribution of the Cup~*

Take, drink, remember, and believe that the precious blood of our Lord Jesus Christ was shed for the complete forgiveness of all our sins.

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### **Song of Praise:           Take My Life and Let it Be**

Take my life and let it be  
consecrated, Lord, to thee.  
Take my moments and my days;  
let them flow in endless praise,  
Let them flow in endless praise.

Take my will and make it thine;  
It shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart—it is thine own;  
It shall be thy royal throne,  
It shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love, my Lord I pour  
At thy feet its treasure store.  
Take myself, and I will be

Ever, only, all for thee,  
ever only all for thee.

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**\*Blessing**

**\*Doxology:**

**Step by Step**

Oh God, You are my God  
And I will ever praise You!  
Oh God, You are my God  
And I will ever praise You!

I will seek You in the morning,  
And I will learn to walk in Your ways.  
And step by step You'll lead me  
And I will follow You all of my days.

Oh God, You are my God  
And I will ever praise You!  
Oh God, You are my God  
And I will ever praise You!

I will seek You in the morning,  
And I will learn to walk in Your ways.  
And step by step You'll lead me  
And I will follow You all of my days.

And I will follow You all of my days,  
And I will follow You all of my days,  
And step by step You'll lead me  
And I will follow You all of my days.  
And step by step You'll lead me  
And I will follow You all of my days.

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**Postlude**