

October 23, 2022

20th Sunday after Pentecost

**Prelude by
Tami Stroup,
pianist**

*Please prepare for
worship by
opening your
heart,
lowering your
voice
and silencing
your cell phone.*

Welcome! ¡Bienvenido!

**Amazing Grace
Lutheran Church**



FALL

festival



SATURDAY **OCT**
29th

1-5 PM

Rain date: Nov 5

Blessing of the Animals
2:00 PM

FUN TIME

**Games, Prizes, Basket Raffle,
Food and Drink, Pumpkin
Decorating and more!**



Amazing Grace Lutheran Church
3305 Lawrenceville Hwy
Lawrenceville Ga 30044

ALL SAINTS DAY



All Saints Sunday this year is November 6. If you have a loved one who has died in the last year that you would like to have placed on our All Saints list, please inform Pastor Mike, and please provide a digital photograph to include in the slide show for the Power Point. We don't want any names left out!

Photos and videos needed!!

- ▶ To boost our social media presence, Al Pichetto is creating a series of videos depicting life in our congregation.
- ▶ Also, he will create videos explaining why we attend or why you give to Amazing Grace.
- ▶ Please send photos of yourself and your family or a video to him so he can include them, or to arrange for him to take a photo or record a video for you.
- ▶ Al.Pichetto@gmail.com



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- **Weekly Financial Report:**
 - Received in offering last week: **\$2651**
 - Needed each week to support our ministry: **\$2,800**
 - **Deficit:**
 - **\$149**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS



P: As we come before you, God of grace and mercy, we pray for the strength to humble ourselves and confess openly our many shortcomings. Help us to be honest with you, with ourselves and with others.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

--Silence for Reflection--

P: Lord our righteous God:

C: So many voices trumpet their greatness all around us, flaunt their beauty and wealth, abuse their power and here we are in a world which is daily broken by the foolish arrogance of men and women just like us. And so, we pray for the healing of humility to flood every corner of our world:

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

C: wherever there is exploitation and God-imaged people are dehumanized; wherever there is neglect and the needs of the poorest are ignored; wherever there is disdain, and the sacred value of creatures and earth are denied; wherever there is violence, and the gifts of difference and dignity are rejected.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

C: Wherever people are tempted to think of themselves as better than others, more worthy, more deserving, more important to you, may your humility break in and challenge us, reminding us of our brokenness and need; and teaching us to serve and to love everyone with the grace and humility you show toward us. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

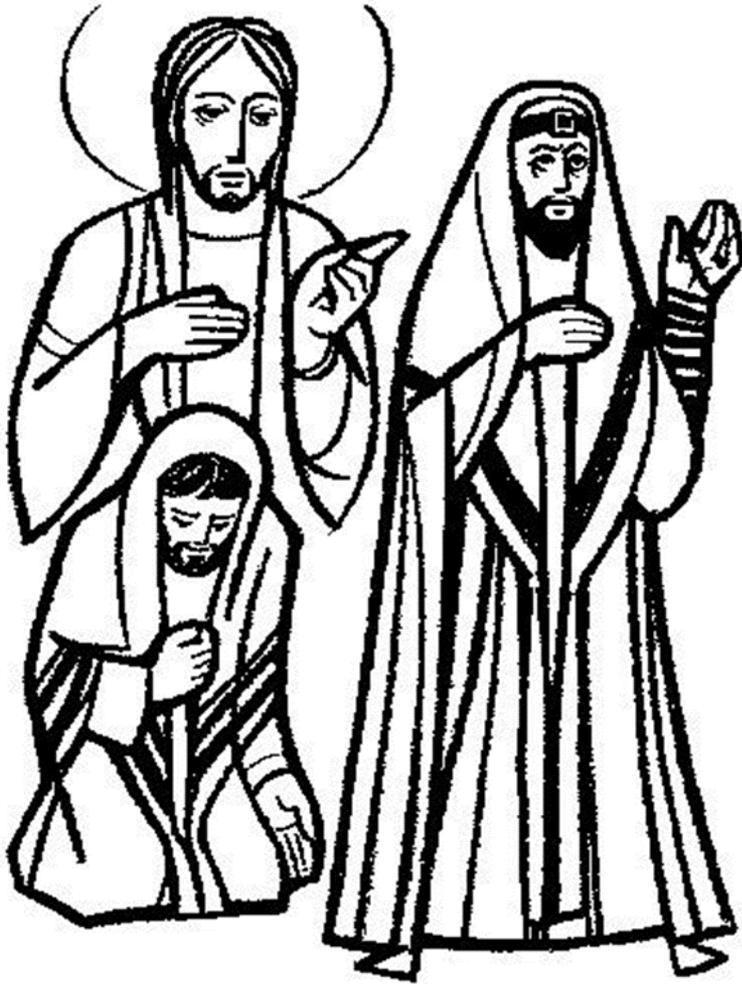
P: The prophet Joel announced, “I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.”



WORDS OF ASSURANCE

P: God's Spirit also renews and refreshes. Now that we have confessed our sins with honesty and humility, the Lord will send his Spirit to remake us into new people and empower us to new beginning.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE



P: Hear the good news, in the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. God humbled, but go as a people, made new again!

C: **Thanks be to God!**

GATHERING SONG

Our Father, We Have Wandered Red Book # 606

- 1 Our Father, we have wandered
and hidden from your face;
in foolishness have squandered
your legacy of grace.
But now, in exile dwelling,
we rise with fear and shame,
as, distant but compelling,
we hear you call our name.**

GATHERING SONG

Our Father, We Have Wandered Red Book # 606

**2 And now at length discerning
the evil that we do,
behold us, Lord, returning
with hope and trust to you.
In haste you come to meet us
and home rejoicing bring,
in gladness there to greet us
with calf and robe and ring.**

GATHERING SONG

Our Father, We Have Wandered Red Book # 606

**3 O Lord of all the living,
both banished and restored,
compassionate, forgiving,
and ever-caring Lord,
grant now that our transgressing,
our faithlessness may cease.
Stretch out your hand in blessing,
in pardon, and in peace.**

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GREETING

A: Come to the temple of the Lord.

C: We are glad to be in the house of the Lord!

A: Make your humble confessions to God.

C: Receive the Lord's Spirit poured out upon all flesh!

A: Receive the Lord's forgiveness by faith.

C: Return to your homes justified!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Lord God of justice,

C: you know no favorites and show no partiality; but you have given us assurance that the prayers of the lowly pierce the clouds, their petitions reach the heavens. Look upon us who come before you as did the penitent tax collector, and grant that we may open ourselves with confidence in your mercy, and be justified by your grace. We ask this through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

FIRST READING

Joel 2:23-32

²³ O children of Zion,
be glad and rejoice in
the Lord your God; for
he has given the early
rain for your
vindication, he has
poured down for you
abundant rain, the
early and the later rain,
as before.

PRIMERA LECTURA

Joel 2:23-32

²³ ¡Alégrense ustedes,
habitantes de Sión,
alégrense en el Señor
su Dios! Él les ha dado
las lluvias en el
momento oportuno, las
lluvias de invierno y de
primavera,
tal como antes lo
hacía.

FIRST READING

Joel 2:23-32

²⁴ The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. ²⁵ I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you.

PRIMERA LECTURA

Joel 2:23-32

²⁴ Habrá una buena cosecha de trigo y gran abundancia de vino y aceite. ²⁵ «Yo les compensaré a ustedes los años que perdieron a causa de la plaga de langostas, de ese ejército destructor que envié contra ustedes.

FIRST READING

Joel 2:23-32

²⁶You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

PRIMERA LECTURA

Joel 2:23-32

²⁶ Ustedes comerán hasta quedar satisfechos, y alabarán al Señor su Dios, pues yo hice por ustedes grandes maravillas. Nunca más quedará mi pueblo cubierto de vergüenza,

FIRST READING

Joel 2:23-32

²⁷ You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

PRIMERA LECTURA

Joel 2:23-32

²⁷ y ustedes, israelitas, habrán de reconocer que yo, el Señor, estoy con ustedes, que yo soy su Dios, y nadie más. ¡Nunca más quedará mi pueblo cubierto de vergüenza!

FIRST READING

Joel 2:23-32

²⁸ Then afterward
I will pour out my
spirit on all flesh;
your sons and your
daughters shall
prophesy, your old
men shall dream
dreams, and your
young men shall see
visions.

PRIMERA LECTURA

Joel 2:23-32

²⁸ (3.1) » Después de
estas cosas
derramaré mi espíritu
sobre toda la
humanidad:
los hijos e hijas de
ustedes profetizarán,
los viejos tendrán
sueños y los jóvenes
visiones.

FIRST READING

Joel 2:23-32

²⁹ Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit.
³⁰ I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke.

PRIMERA LECTURA

Joel 2:23-32

²⁹ (3.2) También sobre siervos y siervas derramaré mi espíritu en aquellos días;
³⁰ (3.3) mostraré en el cielo grandes maravillas, y sangre, fuego y nubes de humo en la tierra.

FIRST READING

Joel 2:23-32

³¹ The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes.

PRIMERA LECTURA

Joel 2:23-32

³¹ (3.4) El sol se volverá oscuridad, y la luna como sangre, antes que llegue el día del Señor, día grande y terrible.»

FIRST READING

Joel 2:23-32

³² Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

A: Word of God, Word of Life,
C: Thanks be to God!

PRIMERA LECTURA

Joel 2:23-32

³² (3.5) Pero todos los que invoquen el nombre del Señor lograrán salvarse de la muerte, pues en el monte Sión, en Jerusalén, estará la salvación, tal como el Señor lo ha prometido. Los que él ha escogido quedarán con vida.

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Hal-le, hal-le, hallelujah.

Hal-le, hal-le, hallelujah.

Hal-le, hal-le, hallelujah.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

The Gospel Reading



P: A reading from
the Holy Gospel,
according to Luke,
in the eighteenth
chapter.

C: **Glory to you,
O Lord.**

THE GOSPEL

Luke 18:9-14

⁹ [Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.

EL EVANGELIO

Lucas 18:9-14

⁹ Jesús contó esta otra parábola para algunos que, seguros de sí mismos por considerarse justos, despreciaban a los demás: ¹⁰ «Dos hombres fueron al templo a orar: el uno era fariseo, y el otro era uno de esos que cobran impuestos para Roma.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 18:9-14

¹¹ The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’

EL EVANGELIO

Lucas 18:9-14

¹¹ El fariseo, de pie, oraba así: “Oh Dios, te doy gracias porque no soy como los demás, que son ladrones, malvados y adúlteros, ni como ese cobrador de impuestos. ¹² Yo ayuno dos veces a la semana y te doy la décima parte de todo lo que gano.”

THE GOSPEL

Luke 18:9-14

¹³ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’

EL EVANGELIO

Lucas 18:9-14

¹³ Pero el cobrador de impuestos se quedó a cierta distancia, y ni siquiera se atrevía a levantar los ojos al cielo, sino que se golpeaba el pecho y decía: “¡Oh Dios, ten compasión de mí, que soy pecador!”

THE GOSPEL

Luke 18:9-14

¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord!**

EL EVANGELIO

Lucas 18:9-14

¹⁴ Les digo que este cobrador de impuestos volvió a su casa ya justo, pero el fariseo no. Porque el que a sí mismo se engrandece, será humillado; y el que se humilla, será engrandecido.»



The Sermon: “Justified!”



Pastor Mike Millum

SPECIAL MUSIC

All Who Are Thirsty

by Brenton Brown
and Glenn Robertson

sung by:

Wendy MacKinnon

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

EL CREDO DE LOS APÓSTOLES

Creo en Dios, Padre todopoderoso, creador del Cielo y de la Tierra.

Creo en Jesucristo su único Hijo, Nuestro Señor, que fue concebido por obra y gracia del Espíritu Santo; nació de Santa María Virgen;

APOSTLES' CREED

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

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven,

EL Credo DE LOS APÓSTOLES

padeció bajo el poder de Poncio Pilato; fue crucificado, muerto y sepultado; descendió a los infiernos;

al tercer día resucitó de entre los muertos; subió a los cielos

APOSTLES' CREED

and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,

EL Credo DE LOS APÓSTOLES

y está a la diestra de Dios Padre; desde allí ha de venir a juzgar a los vivos y a los muertos.

Creo en el Espíritu Santo, en la Santa Iglesia Católica, la comunión de los Santos

APOSTLES' CREED

**the forgiveness of
sins,
the resurrection of
the body,
and the life
everlasting. Amen.**

EL Credo DE LOS APÓSTOLES

**en el perdón de los
pecados
la resurrección de
los muertos
y la vida eterna.
Amén.**



PRAYERS
of the
CHURCH

***After each petition of the
prayer:***

A: Humbly we pray

C: Hear us, Lord.

SHARING OF THE PEACE COMPARTIENDO LA PAZ

A time to greet each other with God's peace.



P: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

C: And also with you.

WE GATHER THE OFFERING

Your offering contribution enables us to support and continue the many ministries of Amazing Grace.
Thank you for your offering of worship.



**You can also give your offering digitally through
Zelle: digital_giving@tisgrace.org**

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Caring God:
C: help us humbly
and generously to
place all we are and
all we have in your
hands. Use us and
our possessions
according to your
will. Amen.



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: It is indeed right to give you our thanks and praise, O God, for you have dealt wondrously with us and saved us for your heavenly kingdom. You open wide your hand and provide for every living creature. You called a people to be your own and led them to a land of abundance. Time and time when they turned away from you, you humbled them, and called them back to you.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: In Jesus the Christ, your son and our brother, you proclaimed the vindication of those who humbled themselves, casting themselves on your mercy and looking to you for strength to run the race. When he was crucified by those who would exalt themselves, you raised him from the dead, and gave him the crown of righteousness. Through him, you pour out your spirit like rain on all flesh and your people bring forth a wonderful harvest of visions, prophecies, and songs of praise.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: Therefore, with all your faithful in every time and place we join in singing your eternal hymn of praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Power and might.
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Power and might.**

**Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest!**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: We thank you for the justification that has come to us through the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, and so with gratitude we remember and celebrate that...

On the night 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.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: 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.

P: Remembering your gracious acts in Jesus Christ, we take from your creation this bread and this wine and joyfully celebrate his dying and rising, as we await the day of his coming.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: Pour out your Holy Spirit, on all flesh; and on these gifts of bread and wine, that our old ones may dream dreams and our young ones see visions; and the bread we break and wine we bless may become the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

P: Nourish us and with this sacrament of your forgiveness that we may return to our homes, justified by faith, through your grace, in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: In the language of your heart, let us pray the prayer that Jesus taught us:

C: **Our father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

PADRE NUESTRO

P: En el idioma de tu corazón, rezamos la oración que Jesús nos enseñó:

C: **Padre nuestro, que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu nombre; Venga a nos tu reino; hágase tu voluntad, así en la tierra como en el cielo;**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

PADRE NUESTRO

C: El pan nuestro de cada día, dánoslo hoy; y perdónanos nuestras deudas así como nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores; y no nos dejes caer en la tentación; mas líbranos del mal.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C: For thine is the
kingdom, and the
power, and the glory,
forever and ever.
Amen.**

PADRE NUESTRO

**C: Porque tuyo es el
reino, el poder y
la gloria, por los
siglos de los
siglos. Amén.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION



P: Humbly, Lord, we receive this gracious invitation to your table, to commune with you and our brothers and sisters where we receive the gifts of your mercy, grace, and peace.

C: Thanks be to God!

THE MEAL



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Almighty and merciful God,

C: through his body and blood your Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence. Give us pure hearts and a sure faith to draw near to you as our Father, and to ask you for whatever we need. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING AND SENDING

P: Go now, rejoicing in the Lord your God.
Fight the good fight; finish the race;
keep the faith.
And may God rescue you from every evil
attack;
May Christ Jesus reserve for you the
crown of righteousness;
And may the Holy Spirit flood you with
grace and overflow in you with visions and
dreams of glory.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

Red Book # 697

Refrain

**Just a closer walk with thee,
grant it, Jesus, is my plea;
daily walking close to thee,
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.**

**1 I am weak but thou art strong:
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;
I'll be satisfied as long
as I walk, let me walk close to thee.**

SENDING SONG

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

Red Book # 697

Refrain

**Just a closer walk with thee,
grant it, Jesus, is my plea;
daily walking close to thee,
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.**

**2 Through this world of toil and snares,
if I falter, Lord, who cares?
Who with me my burden shares?
None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.**

SENDING SONG

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

Red Book # 697

Refrain

**Just a closer walk with thee,
grant it, Jesus, is my plea;
daily walking close to thee,
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.**

**3 When my feeble life is o'er,
time for me will be no more;
guide me gently, safely o'er
to thy kingdom shore, to thy shore.**

DISMISSAL AND POSTLUDE

A: Go to your homes justified. Serve the Lord!

C: **Thanks be to God!**

