

A Harvest of Righteousness



...produces persistent prayer.

*Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 16, 2022*



GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Gathering around Grace in worship – Growing in Grace in study – Going with Grace in love
in Yorba Linda, California, the land of gracious living*

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Welcome

- † If you would like to know more about Grace, visit our **website** at gracelutheran.church. A **membership** class, a class that covers the basic teachings of the Bible and what it means to be a Christian meets quarterly. A new one is starting soon. Contact Pastor Sievert for more information. We would also love to share information with you about our Sunday worship services, our weekly Bible Classes, and our youth programs.
- † Restrooms are across the breezeway, in our Grace Hall... a cry room is available in the back left corner of our church.
- † Coffee and treats are available after church. We would love to visit with you and answer your questions.



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Worship

October 16, 2022
19th after Pentecost

“Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness.”
2 Corinthians 9:10

This time of the year gives us a perfect picture of how God works in us by his grace to produce a harvest in our Christian lives. Today, may his harvest of righteousness...

Produce Persistent Prayer in us.

In the name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

STAND

CONFESSION

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

*The Ministry of the
Keys is the special
right and privilege
Jesus gave to his
Church to
announce
forgiveness in his
name.
John 20:23*



✠ The Word ✠

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God, our refuge and strength, have mercy on your church as we come in prayer before you. Answer us not in judgment on our sins but in peace and forgiveness; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING

1 John 5:13-15

¹³ I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life. ¹⁴ This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. ¹⁵ And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 121

Gospel Acclamation 1 Peter 5:7

Alleluia. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. Alleluia.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 18:1-8

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. ² He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. ³ And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'

⁴ “For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, ‘Even though I don’t fear God or care what people think, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won’t eventually come and attack me!’”

⁶ And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷ And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? ⁸ I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?”

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY

Hymn: For The Fruits Of All Creation

SERMON

based on **Genesis 32:22-31**

²² That night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two female servants and his eleven sons and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³ After he had sent them across the stream, he sent over all his possessions. ²⁴ So Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him till daybreak. ²⁵ When the man saw that he could not overpower him, he touched the socket of Jacob’s hip so that his hip was wrenched as he wrestled with the man. ²⁶ Then the man said, “Let me go, for it is daybreak.”

But Jacob replied, “I will not let you go unless you bless me.”

²⁷ The man asked him, “What is your name?”

“Jacob,” he answered.

²⁸ Then the man said, “Your name will no longer be Jacob, but Israel, because you have struggled with God and with humans and have overcome.”

²⁹ Jacob said, “Please tell me your name.”

But he replied, “Why do you ask my name?” Then he blessed him there.

³⁰ So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, “It is because I saw God face to face, and yet my life was spared.” ³¹ The sun rose above him as he passed Peniel, and he was limping because of his hip.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and ☩ be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.