

Worship Order

May 19, 2024
Pentecost Sunday

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC 8:00 Organ Prelude
10:15 "I Am"



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN 8:00 "O Holy Spirit, Enter In" LSB 913
SONG 10:15 "10,000 (Bless the Lord)"

CALL TO WORSHIP

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

GOD'S WORD: Ezekiel 37:1-14, Acts 2:1-21, John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES & GIFTS

HYMN 8:00 "Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid" LSB 500
SONG 10:15 "Spirit of the Living God"

THE MESSAGE "It's Worth the Wait"
Pastor Jack Mackowiak

CONFESSION OF FAITH (please see screens)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH
THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE LORD'S SUPPER
WORDS OF CHRIST
DISTRIBUTION 8:00 Reflective Instrumental Music
10:15 "Holy Spirit"

DISMISSAL

SENDING AND BENEDICTION

HYMN 8:00 "Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling" LSB 650
SONG 10:15 "Yes and Amen"



Thanks for signing the pew pad to let us know you're here!
Visitors, share your contact information so
we can connect with you.
Please leave your name badges in the basket by the door.



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Pentecost

Welcome to Amazing Grace!

We're so glad you joined us for
worship today as we celebrate
the Holy Spirit's empowering of
the Apostles and of us today.

You will find the worship order
on the back of this bulletin.

May you feel God's presence in
this place as you worship Him in
Spirit and in Truth.

OUR MISSION as a congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod
is to "Experience Christ's Love. Live It. Share It."





FRANK MULLER: Frank has been a member of the LCMS since he and his wife were married at Trinity Lutheran Church in Islip, NY in 1984. Frank's children were baptized there, attended the preschool, received their first Holy Communion, Confirmation, and were part of the youth group, which Frank was a volunteer for over ten years.

Frank served as Sunday School President, sat on the boards of education and preschool, Chaired the worship and music committee and was VP of the Church Counsel. He was also a Communion Lay Assistant, usher and on Altar Guild.

In Frank's time as a member of the working community he worked for and owned Delicatessen's for over 40 years. After retiring, or really quitting the business seven years ago, he had the chance to work at his Church's preschool as their custodian for three years. He feels that job was a gift from God!

Frank has been a member of AGLC for three years. In that time he has volunteered for Phil's Friends, making palm crosses, Easter decorating and coffee hour. He has helped with property work for the Church and the ELC. His desire is to become more involved in any area where there is a need. Frank is humbled to be considered for a position on the Board of Directions of AGLC.



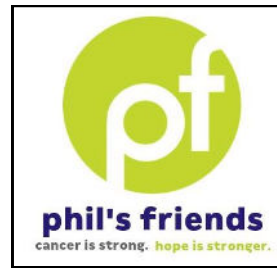
KIETH SCHMADEKE: I am a full-time resident of The Villages. My wife, Marlys, and I joined Amazing Grace in 2023, after visiting 4 or 5 churches in the area. We decided to join A.G.L.C. because of the warm welcome we received the first morning, friendly faces and introductions. We felt really glad to be here.

Raised in western Iowa in the small town of Schleswig, baptized July, 1954, and I started attending Sunday school at three at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Hanover Township, a church built by my great, great grandfather in 1889. I was confirmed there in 1968.

Marlys and I married in 1984, while I was a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Denison, Iowa. I served as a youth group assistant, ushered and served on the Board of Elders for several years. In 2017 we moved to Urbandale, Iowa and joined Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, also attending their men's ministry Bible class.

While attending regular church services and the Thursday morning men's Bible class and seeing the various mission projects going on, I wanted to get more involved as well and appreciate being considered as a candidate to serve on the Board of Directors.

Outside of church activities, I enjoy golfing, hiking and socializing with friends and family. We both enjoy spending time back in Iowa with our two grandsons, Owen and Cooper.



Phil's Friends Packing Party!!

Saturday, June 15, 1:00:4:00

Join us to pack Christian Cancer Care Packages!

We need many hands on deck to man various packing stations, write cards, build boxes, and more. **Sign up at the Connect Center** to help at the Packing Party, set up, or cleanup. It is a great time of fellowship and service! Contact Lois Schaefer, 352-250-6541.

You can request a free care package for someone you know by visiting www.philsfriends.org or filling out a form at the table.



You are invited to help supply items for our Care Packages

(collection boxes are under the Connect Center)

There are copies of this list on the Phil's Friends table for your shopping convenience!

COLLECTION: Today through Sunday, June 2

- 36 port pillows for men (see sample on PF table)
- 7 puzzle books
- 64 5X7 journals (not spiral bound)
- 82 new decks of playing cards
- 92 lip balm
- 97 5-oz or smaller fragrance free lotion
- 60 Single soft toothbrushes
- 99 Sensitive toothpaste



The Big Red Bus will be at Amazing Grace Sunday, May 26, from 8am-noon.

Go to <https://oneblood.org> to register to donate!

This Week's Church Calendar

SUN 5/19	Traditional Worship	Worship Center	8:00am
	Voter's Meeting	Worship Center	9:15am
	Contemporary Worship	Worship Center	10:15am
MON 5/20	Deacon's Meeting	Fellowship Hall	8:30am
	Women of Grace	Fellowship Hall	10:30am
TUE 5/21	AGLC Board Meeting	Fellowship Hall	4:00pm
WED 5/22	Men's Bible Study	Bradenton Rec	8:45am
	ELC VPK Graduation	Worship/Fellowship	10:00am
THU 5/23	Men's Bible Study	Fellowship Hall	7:30am
FRI 5/24	ELC Dance Party	ELC MPR	5:30pm

The Amazing Grace Board of Directors is the governing body of the church, working with the Pastor to determine policies, financial business, capital projects, ministry matters that are not already assigned to various committees, and more.

The Board of Directors is made up of seven members who serve two-year terms for a maximum of three terms.

Pages 4-6 contain the candidates for today's election. An * indicates an incumbent.



DEB BECK*: Deb has been attending Amazing Grace Lutheran Church since 2019. A graduate of Purdue University, she has been married to Brad for 37 years and has 3 grown children living in CA, TN, and NC.

Deb works for Thrivent, Southeast Region, as a consultant and Certified Kingdom Advisor. She is part of the Stewardship Committee for Amazing Grace, chaired the Capital Campaign for the ELC Expansion, and currently serves as Region 2 Lay Representative for the FL/GA LCMS District Board of Directors.

Deb has a heart for assuring that the next generation knows the Lord. She is very active with Thrivent, including community projects. Deb has served one 2-year term on the Board of Directors.

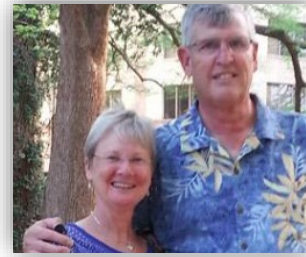


JOHN WHITE*: John and his wife, Marliese, have been members of Amazing Grace since July, 2020. He currently serves as a Deacon, President of the Board of Directors and a member of the Finance Committee. He is also active in Sunday Bible Studies and enjoys other volunteer opportunities for AGLC

In previous congregations, John has served terms as President, Vice President, Worship Assistant, and as an Elder. He was active for 16 years in Bible Study Fellowship, serving 13 years in the Children's Program as Children's Leader, Assistant Children's Supervisor and Children's Supervisor. He is also a trained Stephens Minister.

John's career involved 40 years in corporate finance, mostly in senior management positions with private companies and nonprofits. John and Marliese have three daughters and four grandchildren who live in Oregon.

John would be thankful for the opportunity to continue serving the Lord and the congregation at Amazing Grace on the Board of Directors.



ROBERT (BOB) KIEHL*: Bob has been a member the LCMS his entire life and a member of Amazing Grace for the past three years. Before moving to Florida, he spent about 8 years seeing this great country RVing with Karen, his wife of 52 years, and visiting many LCMS congregations. Prior to leaving St. Louis, he was active in Youth leadership, Boards of Education, Board of Stewards, Missouri District and LCMS boards and committees.

He has held many positions in his professional career including regional and national sales management positions with Fortune 100 companies and as a consultant to not-for-profit organizations and businesses in the St. Louis area working on talent acquisition/development and business growth initiatives. He was also elected to serve as City Councilman for three terms.

Bob is active in the Welcome Center activities, ushering, and other congregational ministries and he has led various Board of Directors initiatives. He now lives in the Spanish Springs area of The Villages. Bob is honored to be considered for a second term on the Board of Directors at AGLC.



JOHN LeFAVOUR: John and Shari LeFavour moved to Oxford in 2020 and recently transferred their membership to Amazing Grace from Our Savior's Way in Ashburn, VA.

John is retired from the U.S. Navy and currently works as a healthcare consultant supporting Department of Defense health programs. Shari is a teacher and taught preschool at their previous church's Child Development Center. She also worked in the music department at Trinity Christian School in Northern Virginia.

They have two grown children, Elizabeth, who is currently working in Uruguay and Jack, a graduate student at Texas A&M.

John served as Vice President of the Church Council for several years at Our Savior's Way Lutheran Church and was also a member of the Building and Call Committees. He also served as a Liturgical Assistant, Usher and Communion Assistant throughout their time in Virginia. John enjoys serving as a Communion Assistant at Amazing Grace and also serving on the current Call Committee.

John is honored to be considered for a board position at Amazing Grace and would joyfully serve if elected to support the work of the church and congregation.