

Grace Lutheran Church
is a caring community
of disciples, proclaiming
the good news of
Jesus Christ.

Grace Notes

October, 2018

John warned Jesus about a man casting out demons in Jesus' name without being one of the disciples. Jesus says to leave the man to his healing work. Sacraments and creeds are not the essence of who we are as Christians, and the healing work of Jesus does not belong to us alone. Our life is the life of the Holy Spirit Jesus has breathed into us. We live in the love of the Father. Our religion is merely an outward expression of the grace God has given us. The healing work of Jesus can come from anyone, anywhere at any time. Religious beliefs and philosophical opinions are only important if they lead us deeper into faith and hope and love. Grace is everywhere. Grace is for everyone.

We need one volunteer from the congregation to attend the Fall Conference gathering on Sunday, November 4th at Mission United Lutheran Church in Pelkie. There will be a group of 10 of us, so you won't be alone. It should be interesting as we learn about other churches in the area and hear the Bishop speak about her vision for our synod. Let me or Katie know, if you are interested.

Grace was able to buy student bibles and lesson books that include Luther's Small Catechism for all of our Confirmation students. What an awesome gift!

We will host a series of events after church in October and November to introduce you to the many ways you can help out with our worship on Sundays. These are wonderful opportunities to assist with the liturgy and easy ways to contribute to the life of our community. More information will be sent out as it becomes available.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church and Good Shepherd Sangha invite you all to a week-long exploration of Zen Buddhism, beginning with Zen priest Ben Connelly's presentation "Inside Vasubandhu's Yogacara." Friday, October 5th at 7pm. Reception to follow. All are welcome. Visit www.goodshepherdsangha.com to learn more. Contact Vicar Micah at vicar@gracesoutherange.com if you want to know more about the events for the week.

Do you have dreams for our church? Have you had an idea you wish you could try out on our congregation? Talk to me. Grace is your church. Let's make it what you need it to be.

As always, I am here for you and want to hear from you. Drop by my office, grab me after church or stop me at Walmart... I look forward to talking with you.

With faith and hope and love,
Micah



Kiitos Paljon



Thank you to our Sunday School teachers and helpers.

Notes from the office

Would you like to start receiving a weekly devotion from the church office on Mondays? Please send Katie your name and email address.

Newsletter items are due in the office the last week of the month.

Please save your Econo receipts and return them to a box in the library. Grace receives 1% of the total receipts.

If we do not have your birthday or anniversary, please let us know.

Birthdays

Chance Bridgers 1

Matthew Dompier 6

Karen Houle 8

Carson Bukovich 13

Tina Verran 17

Tom Stimac 18

Jim Hanner 22

Miranda Smith 27

Jax Karvakko 28

Carly Karvakko 1

Evan Lorenz 7

Jason Harju 9

Melissa Nicholas 16

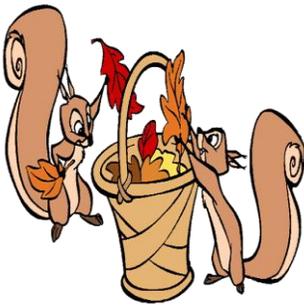
Sally Rule 18

Logan Verran 21

Joe DeForge 26

George Makela 28

Bradley Jenkins 29



Anniversaries

Paul & Sue Slinde 14

Andrew & Shantel Lorenz 15

Sunday's Sermons Now Posted on the Grace Lutheran Church Web Site

Sunday's sermons are now posted on our website.

The sermons are under the worship tab.

Find us at www.gracesouthrange.com.

If you miss worship, feel free to read the preached word from Vicar Micah.

Also, search our web site for more helpful information.

Quilters
Wednesday,
Oct. 3rd & 17th

Knit, Pray, Crochet
Every Tuesday,
1:00pm
All are welcome.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all who helped with the PorkFest! It was a **HUGE SUCCESS**. We served almost 200 people from the community. We had 19 volunteers from Grace Lutheran and, 12 volunteers from the South Range Lions. The Antila Funeral Home donated napkins, the Memorial Chapel Funeral Home donated coffee cups, McDonalds donated the ice, and many from Grace Lutheran donated the delicious desserts. We did end up running out of some food toward the end, but all in all, it was a great event, with ravings about how good the food was, and even asking us if we plan to do this again next year. Let's all be thankful for the work Grace Lutheran does for our community.



October Worship Text

Sunday, Oct. 7

Mark 10:2-16
Teaching on marriage.

Sunday, Oct. 14

Mark 10:17-31
Teaching on
wealth and reward.

Sunday, Oct. 21

Mark 10:35-45
Warnings to
ambitious disciples.

Sunday, Oct. 28

Reformation Sunday

John 8:31-36
Jesus says, "Continue
in my word and you
will know the truth."



REFORMATION
Sunday

Lutheran Dictionary

by: Walter Lieder
Concordia Publishing House
Saint Louis, Missouri

Canticle: One of the non-metrical hymns of the Bible arranged for chanting in church services, such as the Gloria Patri, the Gloria in Excelsis, the Magnificat, the Benedictus, the Nunc Dimittis.

Image of God: Blissful knowledge of God, coupled with perfect holiness and righteousness. This divine image was lost through the Fall, but is partially renewed in Christians in this life (Eph.4:24), a faint foretaste of the perfect renewal in heaven (Ps. 17:15).

Narthex: Church vestibule, leading to the nave.

Theologian: One who is versed in Christian and Biblical theology.

How to Memorize a Bible Verse

taken from *"The Lutheran Handbook"*

Memorizing scripture is an ancient faith practice. Its value is often mentioned by people who have, in crisis situations, remembered comforting or reassuring passages coming to mind, sometimes decades after first memorizing them.

There are three common methods of memorization.

Method 1: Memorize with Music

Choose a verse that is special for you. It is more difficult to remember something that doesn't make sense to you or lacks meaning. Choose a familiar tune, add the words from the bible verse and mark the verse in your bible, and make the words rhyme, if possible.

Method 2: The Three Ss (See it, Say it, Script it)

This method works on the principle of multisensory reinforcement. The brain creates many more neural pathways to a memory through sight, speech, and writing than just one of those, so recall is quicker and easier. Write the words on an index card, say the verse out loud, write the verse down and then try saying and writing the verse at the same time.

Method 3: Old-Fashioned Memorization

Attempt this method only if you consider yourself to be "old-school" or if the other methods fail. Write the verse out by hand, don't get up until you've memorized the verse, and enlist a family member or friend to help you.

Grace Lutheran's Christian Education program is one of our strongest ministry tools for our youth. Families count on us to provide Christian education with a loving Christian environment for their children. Please prayerfully consider helping with our Sunday School Program. There are many ways you can help with the Sunday School program. Please see Katie if you would like to know more.



Grace Lutheran is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Pastoral Care and Visits

If you need pastoral care or would like to schedule a visit, please call Vicar Micah at 906-281-9558. You may also email Vicar Micah at vicar@gracesoutrange.com

Every day we are called to do small things with great love.

~ Mother Teresa

Our Hearts to Their Homes

Susan Koskela at home
Jean Simila at the Bluffs
Delores Paavola at home
Elaine Aro at Gardenview
Eleanor Maki at the Bluffs
Jan Mikkola at the Bluffs
Amanda Mountjoy at home
Bill & Sandra Mannisto at home



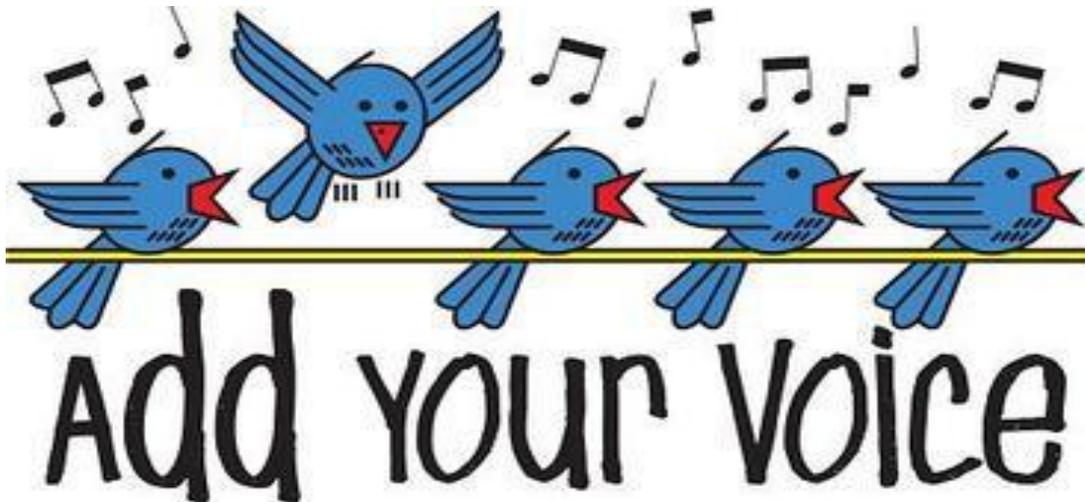
Gentle Reminder:

The office and financial staff do not work on Sunday mornings.

We appreciate your consideration for allowing us time to worship with our families on Sunday mornings.

Service Workers for October

	October 7	October 14	October 21	October 28	
Counters	Pam. L Marianne. B	Karen. H Karen. J	Jean. B Chris. D	Katie. B Cheryl. S	
Reader	Pam Long	Sue Slinde	Jean Baillod	Tammy Harju	
Ushers	Tom and Cheryl Stimac	Paul and Sue Slinde			
Acolyte & Bell Ringer	Youth	Youth	Youth	Youth	
Communion Assistant	Pam Long	Cara Wightman	Jean Baillod	Tommy Savola	
Fellowship	Birthday and Anniversary	Fellowship	None	Potluck	
Sunday School Teacher	Janet Kokko Lauri Kneebone	Katie Tormala Lauri Kneebone	Janet Kokko Lauri Kneebone	Chris DeForge Lauri Kneebone	



Grace Lutheran Church is one of very few churches in this area that has a choir, and we are extremely proud of that. The choir is always looking for more voices to join them. The ability to read music is not necessary, nor do you have to worry about the type of voice you have. All you need is a love for singing and praising the Lord through song. The choir practices on Sunday mornings from 9:45am to 10:45am, from May to September. Join the Grace Choir; you'll be glad you did! See Emily for more information.

September Council Highlights

Vicar Micah had visited all the homebound members this month.

There are three upcoming baptisms planned.

We need one more member to attend the fall conference in Pelkie, on Nov. 4th.

The ASP/Faith Formation funds will purchase student bibles for the confirmation class.

Bishop Katherine would like us to consider a "Dry Bones Retreat" on a Friday night and all day Saturday, after completing a lengthy survey. The council decided not to do this retreat at this time.

We had nearly 200 members of the community were served at our porkfest. There were some items that may need to be addressed (such as running out of silverware and some food) if it is done again in the future, but the meal was still a success!

Joe tarred the area by the chimney that needed it. He also stated that the roof is in poor condition and we should look at getting at least the west wing replaced in the spring. He will come back to us with an idea of what our costs may be so that we can start preparing for this expense.

Grace Lutheran Congregational Contact Information

Volunteer Coordinators

Acolytes/Bell Ringers	Katie Bridgers	482-2011
Altar Duty	Chris Davis	482-5567
Communion	Chris DeForge	482-8068
Counters	Marianne Bohjanen	482-8459
Funeral Servers	Chris Davis	482-5567
Readers	Cheryl Stimac	281-7909
Fellowship	Carolyn Rundman	482-6344
Ushers	Pam Long	482-4065
Greeters	Heather Aro	482-0341
Ride Coordinator	Katie Bridgers	482-2011
Office Volunteers	Katie Bridgers	482-2011
Gardening	Janet Kokko	482-2368

Grace Lutheran Council

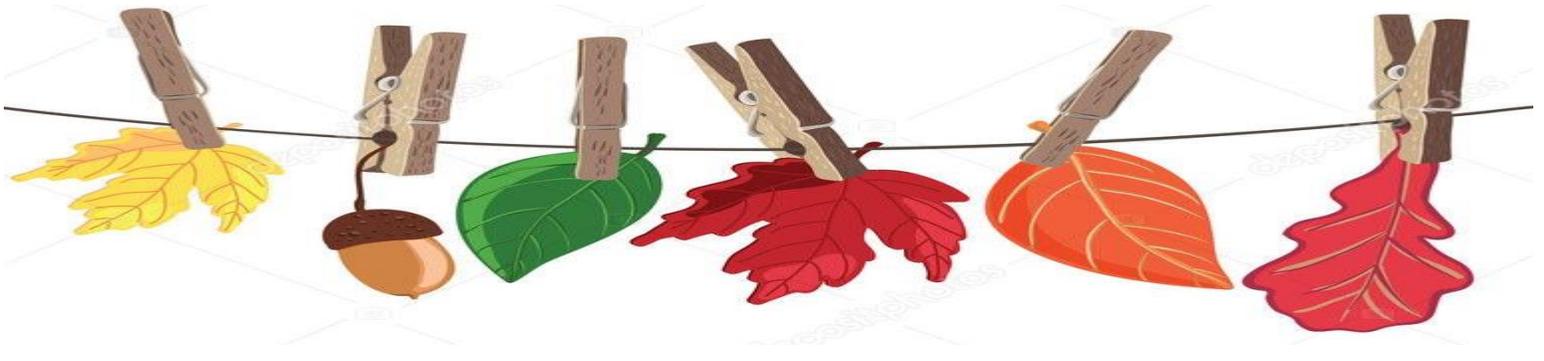
Cheryl Stimac (President)	281-7909
Joe DeForge (Vice President)	482-8068
Laurie Aho (Treasurer)	482-0817
Vicar Micah Cavaleri	281-9558
Heather Aro (Secretary)	482-0341
Chris Bohjanen	(482-8459)

Building & Grounds Maintenance

Tom Stimac 281-7910 Joe DeForge 482-8068
 Heather Aro 482-0341 Katie Bridgers 482-2011

Pam Long (482-4065)
 Janet Kokko (482-2368)
 Jan Maierle (482-2011)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 1:00 Evangelism Committee Meeting	2 10:30 Tai Chi 1:00 Knit, Pray, Crochet	3 9:45 Prayer Service 10:00 Cup of Grace 11:00 Bible Study 1:00 Quilting 4:00 Confirmation	4 12:30 Games at Grace	5 8:00 AA	6
7 9:45 Choir 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 12:00 Birthday/Anniversary Fellowship	8 12:00 LCW	9 10:30 Tai Chi 1:00 Knit, Pray, Crochet	10 9:45 Prayer Service 10:00 Cup of Grace 11:00 Bible Study 4:00 Confirmation	11 12:30 Games at Grace	12 LWR Pick Up 8:00 AA	13
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FUN ADULTS

It's been a long time since our first get together for game night and lasagna at the church! We hope you all enjoyed our time together.

It's time to plan another evening. It seems like Sunday evening is a good day, but it can be changed. Would anyone have any ideas for the weekend of October 26-28th? It can be another time, but that's about a month away, hoping there are enough that can make a go of it, if we plan that far in advance.

Ideas, with a fall theme, are a corn maze, color tour (if earlier), or a hay ride. Other ideas are a progressive dinner (go from house to house for each portion of the dinner-salad, soup, main, dessert), team video scavenger hunt, hike, concert, murder mystery.

Please see Chris DeForge for more details and information.



Prayer Calendar – October 2018

1	Pray for Bishop Finegan who attends the Conference of Bishops at our Church wide offices in Chicago through October 2.
2	Pray for pastors who celebrate birthdays this month: Timothy Vadis (10/5), Kenneth Carlson (10/13), and Maxine Gray (10/16).
3	Pray for all who have lost loved ones and homes in the midst of disasters – fires, hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, and wars. Offer prayers of thanks for all who have donated to and volunteered with Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service, and Lutheran World Relief to help them.
4	Pray for our Synod Finance Committee as they meet today at our Synod Office – that they may be blessed with wisdom and be guided by the Holy Spirit.
5	Pray for pastors who celebrate the anniversary of their ordination this month: Tom Wickstrom (10/5), Ken Carlson (10/5), George Candea-Kromm (10/7), and Doug Johnson (10/15).
6	Pray for all attending the Fortune Lake Fall Fest: quilt and fine arts auction, country market, country store and more activities today at FLLC.
7	Pray for Assistant with the Bishop, Pr. Jim Duehring as he attends the DEM gathering in Chicago today through October 10.
8	Pray for the members of Grace Lutheran Church, Hockessin, DE; Grace Lutheran Church, Woodsboro, MD; Grace Lutheran Church, Westminster, MD; and Harmony Lutheran Church, Myersville, MD.
9	Pray for all pastors on Clergy Appreciation Day. We thank God for their presence among us: preaching the Word, presiding over the Sacraments, being present in the midst of crisis or grief, guiding, teaching, listening, challenging us to take new directions, and being examples of God's love.
10	Pray for all those suffering from mental illness and for their families and medical care professionals on this World Mental Health Day. Pray also that health care systems and insurance companies do their best to care for those in need.
11	Pray for members of Conference 6 as they gather for their Walking Together event at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Escanaba.
12	Pray for all the young people and staff attending the Elementary Retreat at Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp.
13	Pray for congregations in St. Ignace and Brevort as they meet with our Synod Staff for a “Dry Bones Retreat” – may they feel the Holy Spirit moving them and bringing them new life.
14	Pray for all our Seminary Students, as they continue their studies and preparation for rostered service in our Church.
15	Pray for Assistant with the Bishop, Pr. Jim Duehring as he attends continuing

	education today through October 17.
16	Pray for the members of Haven Lutheran Church, Hagerstown, MD; Holy Comforter Lutheran Church, Baltimore, MD; Holy Communion Lutheran Church, Fallston, MD; and Holy Spirit Lutheran Church, Eldersburg, MD.
17	Pray for pastors who celebrate birthdays this month: Dale Skogman (10/21), Stephen Gauger (10/28), and Kari Vadis (10/28).
18	Pray for members of Conference 5 as they gather for their Walking Together event at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Peshtigo.
19	Pray for congregations in the Christ Lutheran Parish (Ironwood) as they meet with our Synod Staff for a “Dry Bones Retreat” – may they feel the Holy Spirit moving them and bringing them new life.
20	Pray for the Musicians’ Conclave as they meet today at Calvary Lutheran Church, Rapid River, and all musicians in our Synod as they continue to share their talent with our congregations throughout the year.
21	Pray for the members of Kijitonyama Lutheran Church, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and their partner congregation, Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church, Iron Mountain.
22	Pray for peace throughout the world and for world leaders to work together toward ending violence of all kinds, especially violence directed at women and children and violence based upon religious or ethnic prejudice.
23	Pray for pastors who celebrate the anniversary of their ordination this month: Duane Priebe (10/24), Richard Likeness (10/26), Melinda Shriner (10/29), and Judy Kirchoff (10/31).
24	Pray for people who are homeless, refugees, and living in shelters. May they know God’s love through the work of diligent caregivers and advocates.
25	Pray for all congregations in the process of calling rostered leaders and all pastors and deacons who are looking for new calls. May God guide them in the midst of their discerning.
26	Pray for students as they celebrate homecoming events. May they all be safe in the midst of these joyous events.
27	Pray for members of Conference 3 as they gather for their Walking Together event at Ascension Lutheran Church, Minocqua.
28	Pray for quilters and Lutheran World Relief quilt ministries as the quilts are gathered and transported around the world.
29	Pray for creation and all of God’s creatures as they also face natural and human-created disasters that destroy their homes and environments.
30	Pray for our Synod Staff as they meet together today to plan and coordinate events and activities throughout our Synod.
31	Pray that the God who reformed the church through Martin Luther and other teachers five centuries ago may continue to reform – and transform – the church today.

