

Grace Notes

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Sunday Morning 9:00 am
Online only until further notice.

Sunday School

Postponed until further notice
due to Covid-19.

GRACE NOTES

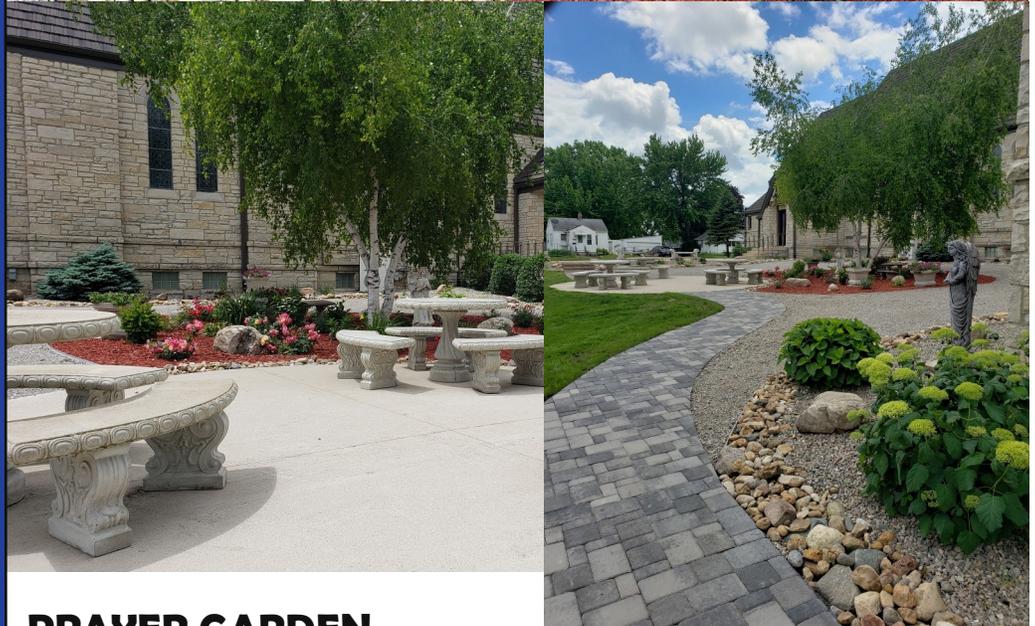
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*Grace Lutheran
Mission Statement:*

*Bringing People
Together and
Becoming Disciples
for Christ!*



PRAYER GARDEN

Have you seen the Prayer Garden? It's been completely redone! A million thank you's to Dick Rocklin and Plaza Landscaping. Dick's grandson, Tyler Prihoda, was the guy in charge. His crew, Jordan, Owen, Jacob, Shawn, and Blake, put in many hours and did a beautiful job! Plaza and Dick donated a lot, including the angel on the pedestal and we, at Grace, are so thankful. Now, there's a great place for people to take pictures when there are family get-togethers. If you haven't, do go and check it out, and do let Plaza know how much we appreciate all their hard work!

Class of 2020



Maggie Moller



Jacob Prihoda



Kaedyn Kirchner



Culley Larson



Katie Lee



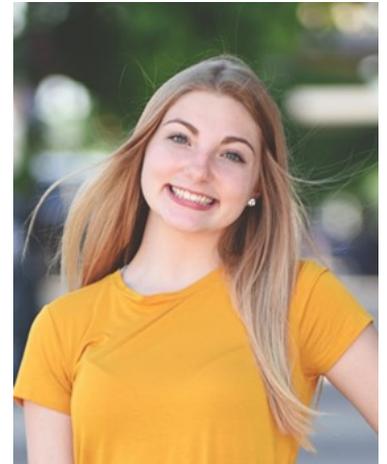
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Makenzie Herr



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The Pastor's Pen



Pastor Shane Koepke
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1 Corinthians 13.4-7: Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

How are you living this out in a time of social distancing and COVID-19? Lately, I've been meeting two groups of people: Those that are tired of the conversation and ready to return to normal. The other group is staying put, wearing their masks in public, and taking a lot of precautions to help limit the spread of the disease, as well as, protecting self.

Wherever you are on this spectrum of responses, don't forget that you are a Christian first. Before your isolation fatigue, your protective gear practices, before even your judgement of how other people are handling it, you are a child of God, saved by

Christ and led by the Holy Spirit. Think about that... you are not defined by this disease, pandemic, your political beliefs (or even disbelief!) in your life.

Some people (none of you, I hope) have publicly shamed people for wearing masks. I've even heard of name calling and yelling in public stores. This kind of behavior is not only mean, it doesn't help the conversation and it won't help stop the spread of Coronavirus. Please, as you move forward in your life, wherever you are, think of the call in 1 Corinthians to see the greatest gift Christians can share is love. The love of Christ that sees all things and endures all things.

This conversation, like many right now, are tough, but necessary. I pray that we can strive together to live out God's love in the world, moving through this complicated time to not only wait for the future healing time, but maybe, through love, we can start some healing now.

Peace as you journey, PShane

Worship together...IN PERSON!

Our plan is to have our first in-person worship service on **July 12 at 9:00am**. This is will be an **outdoor worship** service on the front lawn of church.

Some things to consider as you come:

You must bring your own lawn chair. If you prefer to stay in your car, our worship service will be broadcast on an FM station to be determined.

You must sit six feet apart in family groups, Masks at this time are HIGHLY encouraged at a minimum, mandatory at a maximum, depending on cases in Freeborn county at that time.

There will be no communion, but music, preaching and fellowship will be very present. We are so excited to offer this worship. Please come if you are healthy. If you are unwell or at-risk, please continue to watch our worship provided on our Facebook page.

The Associate Pastor's Corner



Pastor Jennifer Gonsalves,
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Merry Christmas in July!

This July, our Sunday School kids (age Pre-K to 6th) and their families will celebrate Christmas all month long at an at-home Vacation Bible School. We will explore Mary and her reaction to learning she will be the mother of God. We will journey to Bethlehem and celebrate Jesus' birth. We will hang out with the shepherds who heard about Jesus from a choir of angels. And we will follow a star with the Magi who brought gifts to the baby Jesus. Every Monday in July, we will drop off a present at our kids' doors that will include the week's lessons and lots of fun activities for them to do.

Each weekly present will include:

Camp Style Worship – We will post worship online for the kids to watch that will include some of their favorite Christmas and Camp Songs. The kids will also learn the story for the week.

Bible Fun – There will be an activity that the kids can do that will teach the story and why it matters.

Outside Exploration – The kids will be encouraged to play outside while doing an activity that connects to the story of the week.

Christmas Crafts – We have some really cool crafts planned, including some that we commissioned from some very creative members of Grace.

Family Discussion Guide – We will help families talk about faith together as they discuss the story of the week.

So Merry Christmas in July everyone. I hope and pray that you all are having a great summer. And that, no matter your age, you find ways to celebrate Jesus and be reminded of God's love for you.

Peace, Jennifer



PASTORAL CARE

To assist Pastor Shane and Pastor Jennifer in providing pastoral care for those hospitalized or homebound, please notify them of pending surgeries, overnight hospital stays, or individuals who would like a call. Hospital personnel do not always notify our church of our members who are in the hospital.



PASTORAL ACTS FOR JUNE

None

Musings



Deacon Robert Tewes,
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After a fire engulfed the balcony of our church building in August 1966, work began almost immediately on renovation of the damaged sanctuary, including feasibility assessments of replacing the former pipe organ which was lost in the fire. Eventually, negotiations began with the Schlicker Organ Company of Buffalo, New York; contracts were signed; and work was begun remodeling the north end of the sanctuary to house the new instrument. Many members remember those days, hauling in the various pipework, helping with the installation, and watching as an empty balcony suddenly became the home to an instrument comprising nearly 1900 pipes. With amazement, they heard the first sounds sing in the space. They observed John Obermeyer, of the Schlicker Organ Company, voice each pipe to produce its intended sound. And then, to a packed house, it was given its dedicatory recital by Gerhard Krapf of the University of Iowa on May 2, 1971. From that day on, it began its regular use as an instrument of worship leadership, musical concertizing, and an instrument that has provided the first exposure of playing the organ to many young organ students over the years (several of whom have gone on to pursue careers in the musical arts). It has continued to serve the members of Grace Lutheran Church and the surrounding community ever since.

In 2010, a major cleaning and refurbishment of the instrument took place under the oversight of the Obermeyer Organ Company, which has restored it to a pristine, like-new state, where it continues to make the sounds of worship ring out with joy in the reverberant sanctuary of Grace Lutheran Church.

Our beloved pipe organ will turn 50 years old next year! It is part of my plan to celebrate it throughout the 2021 calendar year. My plans include holding

several organ recitals and other musical events which will showcase its enormous flexibility and musical artistry throughout the 2021 calendar year. Of course, some of these plans may need to be curtailed (depending on the persistence of the COVID-19 situation), but hopefully, by then, we will emerge from our social distancing and be able to celebrate this event with hearty joy and jubilant thanksgiving. Something positive to look forward to in the not-too-distant future!

In the months leading up to 2021, I plan to write various articles discussing the myriad attributes of our instrument, and plan to discuss some of this information in video recordings that I will post on YouTube.

Now in my twentieth year as your Organist, I continue to delight in the flexibility, tonal color, and favorable acoustic that makes our Schlicker Organ an instrument of merit and significance to both our congregation and the regional community, and a delight on which to perform.

In this time of social distancing, I sorely miss hearing your voices singing with me as I now play, alone, in the balcony during our COVID-era streamed services. Yet, I yearn for the day when we will be able to gather again in that glorious space, and sing with gusto, loud songs of praise together.

Until then, remember the promises of our God who waits with us, and trust in God's presence with us today, and in all of the future days to come.

Deacon Robert Tewes



Worship Services

Join us for livestream worship on
Sunday mornings at 9:00 am on
[facebook.com/GraceAlbertLea](https://www.facebook.com/GraceAlbertLea)

This worship will be saved so you can watch it later, too!

Previous worship services can be found on our website at gracealbertlea.org

Mid-week worship is available Wednesday evenings
on Facebook and on our website.



CREATION CARE CORNER

Bee Kind, Bee Friendly

Following up on April's Creation Care Corner, here are more tips on how to support Minnesota's hundreds of native bee species:

- Grow a wide variety of flowers, including native plants. Bees especially like calico aster, wild lupine, wild geranium and herbs like oregano and thyme.
- Plant flowers that bloom at different, overlapping times to provide food throughout the growing season. Flowers like goldenrod are a high-energy late season food source for bees.
- Limit use of pesticides and herbicides. Pesticides harm bees, and dandelions are a valuable source of nectar in spring.
- Supply a source of fresh water for bees.
- Bees build homes in compost and sand, which you can provide in your garden.
- Convert a traditional grass-only lawn into a "bee lawn." These are grasses mixed with ground-hugging perennial flowers, like white clover and creeping thyme. You can care for them and walk on them like a traditional lawn, but they have added value as a food source for bee pollinators.
- Source: the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and the U of M Bee Lab
- "Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these." Luke 12:27



Image: Wikimedia Commons

Grace Children, Youth and Family Ministry



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This will be a busy month for our Children, Youth & Family Ministry! 4-year-old – 6th Graders will be doing an at-home **Vacation Bible School** during the month of July (check out Pastor Jennifer's article to learn about that). Four youth and Ashley will be going on their **Summer Trip to Camp Annicon** for a canoeing trip July 12 – 17. We will be hosting a few **bonfires** for those in 7th – 12th grade. And we will be **Celebrating our Seniors**, who have finished high school, on July 26th during worship. Check out our Facebook page for photos of all these awesome things happening in July!

7th & 8th Grade* Bonfire & Yard Games: Join others on July 8th 7:00 – 9:00pm for an outdoor night of a bonfire, activities, tie dye and lawn games – while maintaining social distancing. Bring a lawn chair and anything you would like to tie dye. Grace Lutheran will provide tie dye materials and t-shirts. Meet by the Prayer Garden. No need to sign up. Hope to see you there!

*Those who have just completed 7th & 8th grade during the '19 – '20 school year

9th – 12th Grade* Bonfire & Yard Games: Join others on July 22nd 7:00 – 9:00pm for an outdoor night of a bonfire, activities, tie dye and lawn games –

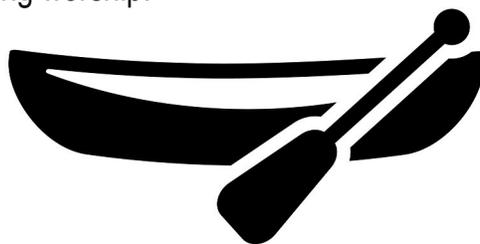
while maintaining social distancing. Bring a lawn chair and anything you would like to tie dye. Grace Lutheran will provide tie dye materials and t-shirts. Meet by the Prayer Garden. No need to sign up. Hope to see you there!

*Those who have just completed 9th – 12th grades during the '19 – '20 school year

Baccalaureate: We will be celebrating Baccalaureate for our seniors on July 26th during worship! You can see some of our senior photos inside the front and back cover of this month's Grace Notes. Families will be provided with information of what Baccalaureate will look like in the weeks to come.

First Communion Class will continue to be postponed. Families will be contacted when we are able to gather again for this class.

High School Summer Trip 2020: From July 12 – 17 a few youth and Ashley will be traveling to Camp Annicon to do a week of white water canoeing in Wisconsin. Please keep them in your prayers as they travel and enjoy an electronic free week of canoeing, getting to know one another, bible studies, being in God's creation and more. We will be blessing and doing a send off for these youth on July 12th during worship.



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YOUTH @ GRACE: [@youthgracealbertlea](https://www.instagram.com/youthgracealbertlea)

For the latest Photos, Youth Events, Updates & more!

Parish Nurse Notes



Lori Tuchtenhagen,
Parish Nurse
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Dear Friends of Grace Lutheran,

In light of all the violence in the world, we wonder what we, as Christians, can do to help bring peace. We can lead the way by following some of these choices:

- Choose to love rather than hate.
- Choose to smile rather than frown.
- Choose to build rather than destroy.
- Choose to persevere rather than quit.
- Choose to praise rather than gossip.
- Choose to heal rather than wound.
- Choose to give rather than grasp.
- Choose to forgive rather than curse.
- Choose to pray rather than despair.
- Choose to Love your neighbor as yourself.

Mark 12:30

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.

Reminders:

May you enjoy your July 4th holiday as we continue to follow CDC safety guidelines that include:

- Frequent washing of your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available, use hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol covering all surfaces of hands, rubbing together until dry.
- Avoid close contact.
- Put distance between yourself and other people outside of your home, especially important for high-risk individuals.
- Stay at least 6 feet (about 2 arms length) from other people.

- Cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face cover when around others.
- YOU wearing a face mask will protect others. Others wearing a face mask will protect YOU.

May God Bless You,
Lori Tuchtenhagen, Parish Nurse



SHINE ON, FRIENDS!

Friendship is one of the greatest gifts a human being can receive. It is a bond beyond common goals, common interests or common histories. It is a bond stronger than sexual union can create, deeper than a shared fate can solidify and even more intimate than the bonds of marriage or community.

Friendship is being with the other in joy and sorrow, even when we cannot increase the joy or decrease the sorrow. It is a unity of souls that gives nobility and sincerity to love. Friendship makes all of life shine brightly.

—Henri Nouwen

Church Council Minutes

June 9, 2020 (Via Zoom)

1. Call to Order and Roll

The meeting was called to order by President Tims at 6:35 p.m.

2. Opening: Pastor Shane

Pastor Shane shared with the Council his reflection on the Trinity.

3. Open Forum – No items

4. Approval of Today's Agenda – Action

MSA (Moved/Seconded/Approved) by Drommerhausen and Groenewig to approve the agenda for the June Council Meeting.

5. Approval of Minutes

MSA by Drommerhausen and Thompson to approve the May Council Minutes.

6. Budget Update: Dave & Patti

- PPP repayment/forgiveness information – Drommerhausen and Tewes reviewed the church budget through the month of May. Highlights included:
 - ◆ The church was in a good financial position through May.
 - ◆ Spending areas were on track and areas of higher spending had rationale from the pastors and staff.
 - ◆ Wages are under budget through May.
 - ◆ More has been spent in the area of Worship and Music but they included investments in equipment and technology
 - ◆ Worker's Compensation expenses are anticipated to be lower than budgeted for in 2020.
 - ◆ Giving to date exceeds budgeted expenses by \$8,000.
 - ◆ Payroll Project Program expenses were reviewed and will be used to pay for payroll, insurance, and taxes through mid-July. We do not antici-

pate having to repay any of the funds back since they are being used exclusively for staff payroll expenses.

- MSA by Schindler and Tims to approve the budget report.

7. Reports

- Lead Pastor Report: Pastor Koepke
 - ◆ Online services will include a Confession and Forgiveness response.
- Associate Pastor Report: Pastor Gonsalves
 - ◆ Pastoral care was a focus in May.
 - ◆ Working with Ashley to develop at-home Youth and Family activities
 - ◆ Vacation Bible School will have a "Christmas in July" theme and will be designed to be delivered and done at the homes of our youth.
 - ◆ Time off was taken for continuing education and a vacation is planned for later in the month.
- Deacon's Report and Technology Update: Deacon Bob Tewes
 - ◆ Worship planning has included a Youth Choir production and a music video for the synod.
 - ◆ Summer music performances are being planned.
- Commission & Committee Report Highlights
 - ◆ Missions Team – A drive-through food drive was conducted and raised \$5,600 for the Salvation Army Food Shelf and Ecumenical Food Shelf.

8. Old Business

- 75th Celebration: October 10, 2021 (Committee: Pastor Shane, Jim Munyer, Marsha Smith)- Tabled

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Church Council Minutes Continued

- Capital Campaign Update and Restroom Remodeling Update
 - ◆ Bids are being received the week of June 8. Construction will begin this summer. Spending to date on the project totals \$18,252.
 - ◆ Donations of \$2,107 were received in May for the campaign. The campaign has raised \$1,070,000. There is cash-on-hand of \$147,911 for the restroom project.

9. New/Other Business

- Prayer garden refurbishing completed.
- Reopening plan/team information – Reopening Plan was reviewed by the Council. Pastor Shane prepared the draft based upon best practices from area churches, Riverland Community

College, Western North Dakota Synod, and the Center for Disease Control. The planning effort included review and feedback from Corrine Tims, Tricia Dahl, Gary Schindler, and Kate Dahl. MSA by Drommerhausen and McKibbin to approve the plan. The plan can be found on the Grace webpage at www.gracealbertlea.org.

- Any other business – No items

10. Prayer Intercessions – Pastor Jennifer led the Council in prayer.

11. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary Schindler

Grace Lutheran Church Council Secretary

PATIENT ATTENTION, VALUABLE DISCOVERIES

For many people, the coronavirus pandemic has been a test of patience — or worse. Medically-vulnerable people face an anxious time of hypervigilance. Furloughed workers wait on hold or in lines for assistance. Special events have been canceled or rescheduled.

Those not impacted directly deal with assorted frustrations and inconveniences. Many people are learning the benefit of slowing down, being present (even virtually) to others and practicing patient attention.

Interestingly, scientist Isaac Newton did some of his best work when the plague forced Cambridge University to close. At home, the inquisitive student invented calculus and developed groundbreaking theories of gravity and optics. Later, Newton called 1666 his *annus mirabilis* (“year of wonders”) and reportedly said, “If I have made any valuable discoveries, it [owes] more to patient attention than to any other talent.”

What have you discovered during the Covid-19 crisis? What appreciations have you developed for aspects of life you may have previously taken for granted? What has social distancing taught you about the value of neighbors, church, community volunteering?

During the pandemic, what have you learned about persistence and God’s presence? What empathy do you now feel for writers of words such as “I wait for the LORD, my whole being waits, and in his word I put my hope” (Psalm 130:5, NIV)?

Gifts of Love

BALL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In Memory Of:

Cliff Engebretson given by Bob Ball & Laura McKibben

BOILER/BUILDING/ROOF/FURNACE FUND

In Memory Of:

Dar Claussen given by Robert & Beverly Field

Gift Given By:

Carroll & Mavis Hanson, Mary Peterson

BACKPACK FOOD PROGRAMS

Gift Given By:

Dale & Dorothy Baldwin

FOOD SHELF

In Memory Of:

Dar Claussen given by Ross & Shelly Peterson

Gifts Given By:

Peter & Sandra Soli, Dale & Dorothy Baldwin, Faith Ryan

LOVE OFFERING

In Memory Of:

Cliff Engebretson given by Dexter & Janet Henschel, Bill & Jane Buege

Dar Claussen (brother) given by Dell & June Claussen

Cliff Stahl given by Bill & Jane Buege

Gifts Given By:

Gail Rasmussen, Richard & Darlene Jordahl, LaVerne Seberson, Ed & Julie Groeneweg

MARTIN LUTHER FUND

In Memory Of:

Cliff Stahl given by Dexter & Janet Henschel

Cliff Engebretson given by Gerhard & Irmi Kleih, Robert & Beverly Field, Dale & Dorothy Baldwin

Gift Given By:

Alex & Angie Johnston

MATHEWS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In Memory Of:

Valeda Abbey, sister of Gary Ohlman given by Terry & Nancy Peterson

Valeda Abbey, my sister given by Gary & Karen Ohlman

MEMORIAL FUND

In Memory Of:

Cliff Engebretson, brother given by Richard & Darlene Jordahl

Cliff Engebretson, given by Roxann Brue

Edwin "Eddie" Johnson, father given by Galen & Kathy Johnson, Mike & Pat Levison

Edwin "Eddie" Johnson, given by Mike & Pat Levison

MISSIONARY FOR A DAY

In Memory Of:

Richard C. Hanson given by Cheryl Wehrenberg

PRAYER GARDEN

In Memory Of:

David Hall given by Judy Hall

Edwin "Eddie" Johnson given by Judy Hall

Julie Jasperson given by Kent Jasperson

Cliff Engebretson given by Eva Johnsrud, David & Carol Paschka

Valeda Abbey, sister of Gary Ohlman given by Ron & Betty Mathews

In honor of:

Our 68th Wedding Anniversary given by Richard & Arlyss Haug

Gift Given By:

Plaza Landscaping & Garden Center (Dick Rocklin)

PLEASE NOTE that any additional "Gifts of Love" recorded by the church office after June 22, 2020 will appear in the next issue. If you have given a gift and your name has not been recorded, please call the church office so the correction can be made. Thank you.

Grace Prays

Prayers of Healing

Hazel Spiering
Dave & Elaine Long
Bruce & Diane Olson
Deb Attig
Ona Meyer

Prayers of Joy

**68th Wedding Anniversary of
Dick & Arlyn Haug on June 1st.**

Our 2020 Graduates

Makayla Benschoter
Campbell Cichosz
Garrett Everett
Olivia Goodmanson
Makenzie Herr
Hayden Johnston
Kaedyn Kirchner
Culley Larson
Katie Lee
Jacklyn Matson
Maggie Moller
Noah Pesch
Grace Pfenning
Jacob Prihoda
Logan Schumaker
Katelyn Steven
Joci Strom
Marty Syverson

If you know anyone needing prayers of our congregation, please let us know so we can include them on our list. Requests for the Prayer Chain can be arranged by calling the church office.

July

(The list below is to remind us to pray for our Grace family members on the following dates.)

1. Vince & Danielle Wertman
Kaitlynn, Andrew
2. Joel & Sharon Westcott
3. Travis Westcott, Amanda,
Cassandra, Colton
4. Jim & LaJean Westeng
5. Mick Westeng, Morgan, Andrew
6. Susan Westland, Tara
7. Brenda Whelan
8. Matt & Trisha Whelan,
Madison, Danica, Holden
9. Warren & Terri Wichmann
Zachary, Cody, Holly
10. Jim & Vicki Wildeman, DeAnna
11. Cary & Peggy Williamson
12. Brad Williamson
13. Courtney Williamson
14. Arthur Wipplinger
15. John Wipplinger
16. Paula Wire, Keiffer, Kallee
17. Greg & Robin Witham
Benjamin, Joseph, Samuel
18. Ross & Mianne Wittmer, John
19. Amy Woitas, Makenzie
20. Karen Wolf
21. Marsha Wolfgram
22. Pam Wolters
23. Paul & Robbi Woodside
24. Eric & Erika Youlden, Tyler, Olivia
25. Edwin & Joan Zabel
26. Thelma Zajicek
27. Nicholas & Joslin Zamora
28. Brittany Zemek
29. Marian Ziebell
30. Chuck Zoller
31. Jen Zoller, Jack, Andrew, Matthew



Caring and Sharing

**Co-Chairperson: Carlyn Tufte
and Laura McKibben**

Annette Besco
JoAnn & Steve Bracker
Carolyn Breuer
Cathy Bronson
Tammy & John Bryand
Sharon & Mark Christian
Marjorie Dann
Evelyn Eglund
Linda Ferguson
Becky & Mick Hanson
Arylss & Richard Haug
Wanda & Michael Hoiseth
Jeannie & Scott Jackson
Amy & Jeffery Kelley
Jody & Brad Kirchner
Christma & Todd Lange
Merilynn & Ronald Linde
Kari Matson
Judy Menssen
Judy & Jim Munyer
Jean & Larry Nelson
Sandra Norby
Elaine & Milton Paulsen
Sandy & Larry Petersen
Analynn & Scott Peterson
Linda Pierick
Jeanne & Gary Schindler
Sally & David Skrlin
Lynn & Randy Stay
Lois & Rex Stotts
Judith & Daryl Swee
Jennifer Swenson
Angela Tappe
Robbie & Paul Woodside
Erika & Eric Youlden

OUR THANKS to JoAnn Bracker and Melody Munden for serving as chairwomen for June Caring and Sharing; and to all who volunteered to help and/or provide food. Your help was appreciated.

STUDY OPPORTUNITIES for Adults at Grace

We invite you to join any of our regular Bible study groups at Grace Lutheran.

Sunday Morning Adult Forum September — May

Come join us at 10:05 am Sunday mornings.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Tuesday mornings, 10:00-11:00 am
(Fireside Room)

This study for women includes fellowship, singing, and Bible discussion.

Thursday Morning Bible Study 6:00-7:00 am (for men)

Come join this group where there is an opportunity for good discussion and good fellowship, along with good coffee and treats!

Grace WELCA Women's Circles

Mary Circle (meeting 1st Monday, 5:15 pm)

Lois Circle (meeting 4th Tuesday, 9:30 am)

Martha Circle (meeting 4th Wednesday, 9:30 am)

New members are always welcome! Call the church office, 373-6496, for more information.

**POSTPONED UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE.**



**Quilting
postponed
until further
notice.**



QUARTERS FOR WORLD HUNGER

The Jobs Program at Cross Lutheran Church in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, is one of 400 domestic programs based in the United States that is supported by your gifts to ELCA World Hunger. The pastor of this church feels that society judges us by our jobs. A job is more than a paycheck. A job gives us access to credit and many other things. Our job gives us dignity and a feeling of self-worth. Thank you for your continued support of ELCA World Hunger. Your gifts help support immediate and long-term solutions to hunger, including helping people find jobs.



NO FAIR TRADE COFFEE
Until further notice



Save your coins at home for the Noisy Offering when worship services resume in person.

The Caring & Sharing still needs co-chairs for the months of **August, September and November**. The sign-up sheet for 2020 is located in the Narthex. Please consider being a co-chair for one of the months listed above.



GENEROSITY AT GRACE



Thanks for your attendance either live or later as we continue to be the church apart together.

The Finance Ministry Team and Church Council appreciate your generous support. Your faithful Stewardship is essential for us to continue to support our ministries at Grace Lutheran.

Class of 2020



Katelyn Steven



Logan Schumaker



Joci Strom



Hayden Johnston



Olivia Goodmanson



Campbell Cichosz



Jacklyn Matson



Baccalaureate
JULY 26, 2020

Not Pictured: Noah Pesch, Grace Pfennig

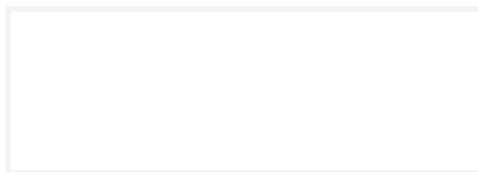
The congregation of Grace Lutheran Church celebrates your accomplishments and journeys ahead.

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Worship

WITH US IN PERSON!

SUNDAY, JULY 12TH at 9:00 am

For more information and worship details, see page 3