



# GRACE GLEANINGS

Grace Lutheran Newsletter

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April, 2021

## Country Gospel Jamboree

As a fund raiser for the “Raise the Roof” project, a Country Gospel Jamboree, will be held on April 18th in the Fellowship Hall of Grace Lutheran Church. Leland Harding III is the featured musician. His song, “*I Learned So Much From You*” was the #1 hit on the Top 20 Gospel charts December 6, 2020. His first Christian album “*You got to have faith*” was the South Dakota Country Music Hall of Fame Gospel CD of 2018. His new Album “*You are my everything*.” was co-written with Anton Mack of Watertown and has various Nashville musicians playing on the album. In May, Leland begins a tour of the Midwest.

Along with Leland will be Family Tradition, including Leland's Dad Skip and Mom Rita, who are 2015 South Dakota country music hall of famers. Drummer Dominic Weber, Dave and Carol Finstad of God's Country will also be joining them. Others signed up are Justin Hansen and family; Bobby and Anna Postal and family, Rhonda Lorenz, Kayla Mohling and sisters, and more. Area musicians and singers are encourage to share their talents with a country gospel song or two by contacting Pastor Cheryl at 605-237-1501. The gospel jamboree will be held from 2 to 4 pm with admission by free will donation. All proceeds go to the roof fund.

A free will donation dinner begins at noon until 2 pm to eat-in or carry-out. The meal will be pulled pork sandwiches, macaroni salad, baked beans and a bar. If you can offer a pan of bars for the meal, please call the office.

Beginning at noon throughout the jamboree, a silent auction will be held with various items for sale. If you make crafts or other items to offer, drop them off at the office so pictures can be uploaded to Facebook to preview. A letter is available at the office to take to local businesses for donated merchandise for volunteers to help in this way.

Make plans now to attend this day long FUN and fund raising event to support Grace Lutheran as we enjoy the day and raise funds for the Roof. For more information contact Pastor Cheryl or the Raise the Roof Committee Communications Coordinators Darcy Raethz or Denise Biller.

## Grace Lutheran Youth Lock-in



Twenty Youth enjoyed a lock-in with games and activities all night. One that kept many awake was “Extreme Spoons” where everyone passes cards until one receives 4 of a kind and then they are off to find the hidden spoons. There is one less spoon than players so the one that comes up short is out. Play continues until there is just one last winner. There was plenty of food from supper until a morning egg bake for breakfast gave them energy to go home and sleep. (As did the Youth Leaders and Chaperons.) Thank you to our amazing Youth Leader!

## We Thank God for... Our Volunteers

Chaperons... are a very important part of any Youth Activity and those who volunteer to stay up all night with 20 young people are even more appreciated by those of us who need sleep.

Pictured at right top is Shawn Dee Billings, lower right is Christian Etten. Not pictured is Dmitrix Brownell. All three were volunteer chaperons. We were so blessed to have them help us and want to give you a HUGE Thank You!





*Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,*

On Sunday, we celebrate the Passion of our Lord as He rides into the cheering crowds to begin Holy Week. A week where crowds turn from seeing Jesus as their Savior to crying out crucify Him. How can a week change the opinions of people so quickly? How can a few move so many to such a murderous tone?

Many saw the crucifixion of Christ as a stumbling block.

Paul writes, *"<sup>18</sup>For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God."* (1Co 1:18)

Many still do see the crucifixion of Christ as a stumbling block.

*"<sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles,"* (1Co 1:21-23)

It took me a long time to understand what that meant and why they saw Jesus taking our sins to the cross and dying for you and I, as a stumbling block. How can the good news of the gospel not be a benefit, an advantage, in fact a blessing?

It's not easy to understand, although it should be. But we are human, and Satan loves to place questions and doubts in our mind and maybe the problem is, it's just too simple. We feel we should do more.

God sent His Son into the world to do the one thing we could not, to suffer in our place by taking our sins to the cross and dying a horrendous death. The punishment you and I deserve, Jesus paid.

But their foolishness, the stumbling block, is the people saw Jesus death as a failure, as weakness, not at all the warrior King they wanted to come and defeat the Romans. They were short sighted. They could only see what was happening in the here and now. They didn't understand this world was not the ultimate place of creation to look past to see the glory of paradise or our heavenly home God was offering.

Their wisdom was in this world. Their worldly wisdom was really their foolishness.

They even taunted Him saying, *"<sup>42</sup> He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. <sup>43</sup>He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, 'I am God's Son.'"* (Mat 27:42-43)

But He did not come down. He voluntarily hung there, for our sake, because of the love He has for you and I... and ALL people. It was not scandalous. It was victorious.

Jesus' obedience saved us through their foolishness of crucifying an innocent man. Jesus brought about our salvation, not with a list of good deed we must accomplish. Not by keeping the law of Moses better than anyone else. But only through grace, which is believing that He is the Son of God and died on the cross for you and I.

In God's mercy, He then rose Jesus from the dead and promises He will do the same for all who believe in Christ. Through scripture, you will find God keeps His promises. Through scripture, you will learn to trust in Him. Through scripture you will come to know the love of Christ on Good Friday and the glorious grace of God on Easter morning. There is no stumbling block for those who regularly hear the word and keep it.

The stumbling block is only for those who do not understand His death was necessary for you and I to be saved. We were the stumbling block, so in love, Jesus did what we could not do.

*Gratefully Rejoicing in Christ for You! ~ Pastor Cheryl*

*You can find a Daily Devotions is written by Pastor Cheryl on the Grace Lutheran Church Facebook page or Instagram each morning. Check it out!*

## **Minutes of the Grace Lutheran Council meeting on Thursday, March 11, 2021**

The Grace Lutheran Church Council meeting was held on Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. with James Goble presiding. Also, present were Mark Briley, Rick Brownell, LeRoy Bullis, Kelly Evjen, Ted Frost, Rhonda Lorenz, Kayla Mohling, Geri Mohror, Harley Petersen, Gena Urevig, Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett and Cindy Vander Leest. Absent were Denies Biller, Paul Henrichs, Sherry Jongeling and Adam Wientjes.

Pastor Cheryl led the Council in devotions and prayer before the meeting began.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by LeRoy Bullis and second by Harley Petersen. Motion carried. A motion to approve the minutes for the February 11, 2021 meeting was made by Rhonda Lorenz and second by Kelly Evjen. Motion carried.

### **Items:**

**1. Financial Report**— Cindy Vander Leest reported the monthly income to the general fund was \$19,291, the weekly average giving was \$4,823 and the weekly worship attendance was 221 (includes drive-in service, views on Facebook and Youtube). A motion to accept the financial report and pay the bills was made by Rick Brownell and second by Geri Mohror. Motion carried.

**2. Pastor's Report** – Pastor Cheryl reported the Confirmation students continue to help at our Lenten services. She continues to lead worship services, baptisms and funerals. She has been busy putting together the Gleanings, bulletins, attending Zoom meetings, leading a bible study, and write/create a daily Meditation on Facebook. The Lenten services are at 6:00 each week. Easter Sunday is on April 4th with services being at 8:30 and 10:00 and Confirmation/Affirmation of Baptism Sunday will be April 25th.

### **Old Business:**

**Committee Report on updating Grace Lutheran Church Constitution** - James reported he had given Cindy the updates and she will get them typed up and back to him.

**Eagle Scout project - fire pit in the courtyard** - Cindy verified with Grace Lutheran's insurance and they didn't have any issues but suggested we verify who's insurance would be in effect during the building process, to make sure there was a protective cover for sparks and to have the Fire Dept. review for fire codes. Gena Urevig stated the Boy Scout's insurance provides insurance during a Boy Scout project. Adam Wientjes was not at the meeting but had emailed prior stating he had contacted the Fire Dept. and they were going to come to the church to look at the surroundings. Gena Urevig said that Jesse would keep in contact with Fire Dept. and make sure things stay on his time schedule.

**Fundraiser Committee** - Jamboree is April 18th and Darcy Raethz is working on a letter to help with gift baskets. Rick Brownell and James Goble are looking into a big ticket item. Pastor also reminded everyone that July 18th is our 100 year old building celebration and we will want to promote and raise money at that time.

**Committee Assignments** - Ted Frost will be joining the Finance & Stewardship committee, Sherry Jongeling will be joining the Memorial committee and Kayla Mohling will be joining the Fellowship and Outreach committee.

### **New Business:**

**1. Multicultural children's camp (Tuesday, July 6-10th includes Saturday from 5:00-7:30)** Pastor explained she serves on the Multicultural board and Darlene Bresson has served and a big part in this also. The Council unanimously approved of letting them hold their camp at Grace. Motion carried.

**2. Soft singing for Easter** - A motion for allowing singing with masks at our Easter services was made by Geri Mohror and second by Kelly Evjen. Motion carried.

**3. Sound (curtains) for Fellowship Hall**- Pastor explained the curtains will help with the echo sounds in the Fellowship Hall and we should get them up before the Jamboree on April 18th. Rick Brownell reported he was working with Stitch & Co. and they could provide what we need in the time we need it. A motion to pay half from the Serving Group account for the Fellowship Hall curtains was made by Mark Briley and second by LeRoy Bullis. Motion carried.

### **Committee Reports:**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Harley Petersen and second by Rhonda Lorenz. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Cindy Vander Leest**

# Financial Report

Income	Budget	YTD		Debts:	Original amt	Balance
Offerings		\$ 40,747.34		Term Debt	\$ -	\$ -
Designated Gifts		\$ 250.00		Line of Credit	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -
PPP Cares Act forgivable loan		\$ -				
Scrip Proceeds		\$ -				
Member donation		\$ 630.00				
Portico (Bassetts)		\$ 1,305.63				
GLCW & Fndtn Sanctuary lights		\$ -				
Foundation Grants		\$ -				
Thrivent Choice \$\$		\$ 150.00				
Missions		\$ 705.00				
Misc.		\$ -				
Xfer Ed Jones/Grinnell ins ROOF		\$ -				
Designated donations		\$ -				
<b>Total Income for General Fund</b>		<b>\$ 43,787.97</b>				
<b>Expenses</b>						
ELCA & SD Synod Projects	\$ 2,614.93	\$ 394.16				
<b>Staff</b>						
Senior Pastor - Salary & Benefits	\$ 88,997.80	\$ 14,795.82				
Mileage Reimbursement	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -				
Call process mileage & travel exp		\$ -				
Youth & Family Director	\$ 13,842.40	\$ 2,307.08				
Business Adm Salary & Benefits	\$ 48,561.20	\$ 8,093.52				
Parish Education Assistant	\$ -	\$ -				
Office Asst & Custodians	\$ 42,703.15	\$ 4,533.00				
Payroll taxes	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 1,157.15				
Pastoral Materials	\$ 150.00	\$ -				
<b>Total Staff</b>	<b>\$ 205,254.55</b>	<b>\$ 30,886.57</b>				
				<b>Other Outlays</b>		
<b>Program Expenses</b>				Designated Gifts		\$ 250.00
Office Expenses	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 2,184.32				
Worship & Music	\$ 15,700.00	\$ 1,349.00		Roof Fund Ed Jones		\$ 20,000.00
Altar Guild	\$ 950.00	\$ 334.70		Portico (Bassetts)		\$ 1,177.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 150.00	\$ -		Missions		\$ 680.00
Fellowship	\$ 100.00	\$ -		Misc		\$ -
Mission	\$ 325.00	\$ -		Fundraiser for General		\$ -
Outreach & Care Ministry	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 241.43		Foundation Grant exp		\$ 159.24
Stewardship Ministry	\$ 800.00	\$ 619.24		Hallway&FH floors		\$ -
Debt Service	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -		Designated Donations		\$ -
Insurance	\$ 11,500.00	\$ 8,296.57		<b>Total Other Outlays</b>		<b>\$ 22,266.24</b>
Utilities	\$ 31,000.00	\$ 5,057.45				
Synod Assembly Expense	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -		<b>Total Expenses &amp; Outlays</b>		<b>\$ 73,744.77</b>
PC Conference Dues	\$ 300.00	\$ 280.40				
	\$ -			<b>General Fund - 1/1/2021</b>		<b>\$ 114,806.89</b>
Contingency	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 156.16		Plus Income		\$ 43,787.97
Property Ministry	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 1,678.53		Less Expenses & Outlays		\$ 73,744.77
<b>Program Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 117,425.00</b>	<b>\$ 20,197.80</b>		Loan Advances		\$ -
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 325,294.48</b>	<b>\$ 51,478.53</b>		<b>General Fund - 2/28/21</b>		<b>\$ 84,850.09</b>

The next Grace Lutheran Church Council meeting will be at 6 pm Thursday, April 8th in the Fellowship Hall.



You are always welcome to come in to the office or call to review or discuss our church budget.

Thank you, Cindy 605-886-5737





Affirmation of Baptism service is set for Sunday, April 25th at the 11 am service. Plans are for four young people to make their Statement of Faith during worship service that morning: Michael Berg, Nathan Briggs, Kaytlynne Holida, and Carter Volkart.



**WELCOME!**

**Scarlet Farpella , daughter of  
Jazmin Zweifel & Tyler Farpella  
March 7, 2021**

## **SCHOOL REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Grace Lutheran uses a **"remind"** app for our school reminders.

To sign up for text announcements, text the message:

Wednesday school reminders:

**@gracewed to 81010 ~**

Sunday school reminders:

**@9aeb84 to 81010 ~**

Confirmation class reminders:

**@289928 to 81010**

**Youth Group** reminders: **@34c2a7 to 81010**

You will receive an acceptance to the group.

To stop getting messages. Text **@LEAVE** to **unsubscribe.**



**Do you like to Quilt?  
Looking for a time  
of fellowship?**

### **QUILTERS ARE WANTED!**

The Dorcas quilters invite you to join them in making quilts for Lutheran World Relief, as well as local needs. We meet Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 to 4:00. Please feel free to join us as your time allows. The fellowship is wonderful and the snacks delicious!!

**Orders due  
April 20th!**

## **GRACE T-SHIRTS**

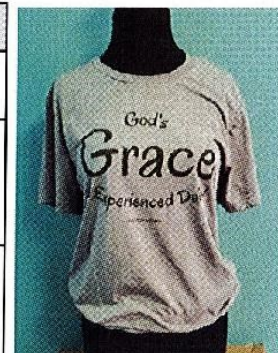
Proceeds go towards the Roof Fund

Cash or check (written to Grace Lutheran Church)

**Please, one order form per T-shirt.**

		Circle One
Youth	\$20	S M L XL
Adult	\$20	XS S M L XL
Adult	\$22	2XL 3XL

**Front Side**



NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL PAID: \_\_\_\_\_

Cash      Check # \_\_\_\_\_

(Circle one)

## Mission of the Month

### Neighbors in Solidarity - Pine Ridge Retreat Center,

Pine Ridge, provides multi-layered ministry designed to foster mutual trust, respect, and understanding, while addressing the deep poverty that exists.

The mission of the Pine Ridge Retreat Center is to strengthen the congregational ministry of our ecumenical partners and to offer cross-cultural retreats for the purpose of building respect of, and understanding for, all of God's people.

In order to better foster understanding between Indian and non-Indian peoples and to make contributions to the life of the people living on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, the Retreat Center offered overnight accommodations to individuals and groups before COVID. The Retreat Center also structures outreach programs such as construction projects, educational experiences, and participation in youth ministry for guests.

Pine Ridge Retreat Center is a joint ministry of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Because of COVID 19, clothing, diapers and wipes, quilts etc. are not being accepted, only monetary donations which can be sent to the SD Synod marked for the Pine Ridge Retreat Center.



Hello from the Grace Classroom!

Happy Spring – the students and I are looking forward to warmer weather and fun springtime projects. Throughout this year we have been learning about God's love and this month we are focusing on the Easter story and our Savior, Jesus Christ. We are also busy preparing for Kindergarten screening, finishing our lessons, and practicing for our end of the year party!

In the month of April two LATC student teachers will be joining us to observe our classroom, practice their teaching skills, and have fun! We cannot wait to spend time with them!

#### Important Dates:

April 2<sup>nd</sup> – NO SCHOOL, GOOD FRIDAY

April 5<sup>th</sup> – NO SCHOOL, EASTER MONDAY

April 29<sup>th</sup> + 30<sup>th</sup> – Dress for a mess day!

#### UPCOMING IMPORTANT DAYS:

TBD – our Zoo field trip

May 13<sup>th</sup> + 14<sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten

Screening at Garfield Elementary

May 17<sup>th</sup> – 3 year old last day

May 20<sup>th</sup> – 4 year old last day

May 20<sup>th</sup> – Graduation Party

(Details to come)

Thanks

Miss Kalli





## Grace Lutheran Church Foundation Board Meeting, Monday, March 8, 2021

The Grace Lutheran Church Foundation Board of Directors met on March 8, 2021, 5:30 pm at Grace Lutheran Church.

Present: Bonnie Oletzke, Larry Picht, Will Morlock, Rich Dunn, Becky Knadle, Joy Nelson, Larry Picht, Jim Goble and Jerri Mohr. Also present was, Cindy VanderLeest, Pastor Cheryl, and Peggy Hulscher.

Will Morlock called the meeting to order.

Approve Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes from the February 1, 2021 meeting, made by Joy Nelson, seconded by Jim Goble, motion passed.

A motion to approve the treasurer report for the month ending January 31, 2021 was made by Larry Picht, Seconded by Jerri Mohr, motion passed.

Rental Property:

1104 West Kemp is vacant. There are a few vacancies in 405 3 Ave (Distribution List—see page 9) SE.

See attached 2021 Grant requests. List provided by Peggy Hulscher.

There were no other items.

Our next meetings will be April 5, 2021, 5:30 pm at Grace Lutheran Church.

A motion to adjourn was made by Joy Nelson, seconded by Rich Dunn motion passed.

Adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

*Remembering  
Gladys Dahlgren  
March 1*

*Funerals*

### Your Help Is Needed

The present sanctuary of Grace Lutheran Church was dedicated on July 10, 1921 and plans are to celebrate this 100 year anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone of Grace Lutheran this summer. Your help is needed for this important event and in holding fund raisers, planning this celebration, writing history, and praying for the continued mission and ministry of this beautiful structure. If you can help, contact Pastor Cheryl as soon as possible.



### Thank You for your help with the Spring Craft/Vendor Fair



Thank you to everyone who helped with this years  
Spring Craft and Vendor Fair.

All who baked goods for the bake sale.

All who donated food for the Concessions.

All who worked in concessions.

To Kathy and Janice for overseeing the booths.

All who helped to set up and take down.

*We hope to see you all next Fall*

Grace Lutheran Church Foundation 2020-2021 Distribution of Earnings			
<b>Total available from prior Fiscal Year to Distribute</b>	<b>\$41,848.06</b>		
	<b>PRIOR YEAR</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Distributions</b>	<b>Distributions</b>	<b>Amount Left</b>
	<b>Approved</b>	<b>Paid</b>	<b>to Distribute</b>
Boy Scouts Troop 8-Canoes, Trailers, Help with Charter	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
CASA	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$400.00
Christmas Supper-Grace Lutheran Church	\$1,100.00	\$0.00	\$1,100.00
Codington County Cares Cancer Foundation	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
Divine Providence of SD (Resources for Sermons, Abuse Victims)	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Dorcas Quilters	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Eagle Scout Project-Jesse Urevig-Courtyard Firepit Project	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
ELCA Missionary Support	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
ELCA World Hunger	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
First Responder Meal	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Grace Lutheran Church-Roof Fund	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00
Habitat for Humanity-Laptop, Phone, Ipad	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Lutheran Social Services of SD	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Lutheran World Relief	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
P.A.C.H. Program	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Salvation Army-One Roof Program	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
SD Synod Mission Partners-Pine Ridge-Common Basket Ministries	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
St. Dysmas Prison Ministries	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Trugreen Lawncare for Grace Lutheran Church	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$550.00
Watertown Area Transit	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Watertown Sandwich Ministry	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00
Watertown Volunteer Center	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
<b>Total Distributions from Prior Year Earnings</b>	<b>\$41,800.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$41,800.00</b>
<b>Distributions Out of Clara Mathieson Fund</b>			
Bibles for Confirmation Class	\$375.00	\$0.00	\$375.00
Bibles for 2nd Graders	\$160.00	\$0.00	\$160.00
Adult Bible Study Group	\$640.00	\$0.00	\$640.00
Adult Confirmation Class	\$260.00	\$0.00	\$260.00
Continuing Education for Pastor	\$900.00	\$0.00	\$900.00
Curriculum Supplies (B. Sprouse)	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
First Communion Materials	\$155.00	\$0.00	\$155.00
Pastor's Spring & Fall Theological Meetings	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
GLC Preschool (Kalli Green)	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
SD Synod Seminary Support (SF)	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Sunday School Items (B. Sprouse) Cricut, Laptop, Craft Sup	\$1,800.00	\$0.00	\$1,800.00
<b>Total Distributions from Clara Mathieson Fund</b>	<b>\$12,390.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$12,390.00</b>
<b>Total Distributions Approved and Paid This Year</b>	<b>\$54,190.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$54,190.00</b>
<b>Funds Left to Distribute: Approved &amp; Paid</b>	<b>(\$12,341.94)</b>	<b>\$41,848.06</b>	
Capital Improvement Fund-All Properties	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Capital Improvements to Properties	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Distributions for Capital Improvements</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	
<b>Total Distributions Paid This Fiscal Year</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	



Preschool – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Sunday School - Sunday's at 9:45 am

Wednesday School – Wednesday at 6:00 pm



Kids will be singing March 28<sup>th</sup> / Palm Sunday / 11:00 am Service

There will be regular classes on all Wednesday's during the Lenten season.

Sunday April 4<sup>th</sup> – NO SUNDAY SCHOOL / Easter Sunday

## **FUN NIGHT – 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – April 16<sup>th</sup> – 6-8pm**

**Food Fun Games**



**Every Wednesday  
Youth Group @ 7:30pm  
Grades 7-12**

Join us for a short Bible study, activities, games and social time.



20 youth attended  
our all-night Lock-in.

Food, Games,  
Worship, Movies, and  
other activities.

We had a lot of FUN!!



**Join Youth Group Remind by texting 34c2a7 to 81010.**

Announcements will be coming out through this as needed.

Becky Sprouse / 605-881-5733 / beckygracelc@midconetwork.com

## Memorials and Gifts

**TO RADIO FUND:** From Cleo Belk in memory of Vivian Larson & Gladys Dahlgren, From Art & Marcia Jelsma in thankfulness for all they received from Grace Lutheran, From Janie Stianson given in loving memory of Neil Stianson, From Ethel Hansen, in loving memory of Lyle Hanson, From Hilmer and Elvira Moen for their 64th Wedding Anniversary.

**TO FLOWER FUND:** From Geri Mohror in memory of "Bounce's 90th birthday, From Cal and Nyra Brown for Nyra's Birthday on the 24th, From James and Sharon Goble in loving memory of their daughter Kimberly Ann, From Carol & Paul Henrich and family in loving memory of Ralph and Lorraine Perkins, From Diane Hansen in loving memory of Irene Anderson, From Darcy Raethz for Denise Billers Birthday.

**TO GRACE FOUNDATION:** From Marvin & AJ Sherrill in memory of Vivian Larson; From Fred & Gwen Peshman in memory of Vivian Larson; and a gift from Harley & Marilyn Petersen.

**TO PRESCHOOL:** From Fran Schaefer in memory of Glenn Johnson, Dennis Holien, Jeffrey Melvilla, Briana Hankelman, Carol Kocky, Marge Roew, & Carroll Chandler. From Fran Schaefer in memory of Gladys Dahlgren, Carl Weber, Christ Andrews, Carroll Chandlers & Vivian Larson.

**TO ROOF:** From Richard and JoAnn Deberg in memory of Vivian Larson, From Esther Schaack in memory of Gladys Dahlgren. From Art and Marcia Jelsma in memory of Chris Anderson & Vivian Larson.

## You Make a Difference at Grace!! with Thrivent Choice \$\$

Thank you to all those who directed their Thrivent Choice Dollars® to Grace Lutheran Church in the amount of \$632.00.

Le Roy Vern Bullis, Lloyd W Christians, Lorraine B Christians, Arthur L Jelsma, Marcia J Jelsma, Harold Lavern Klucas, Julianne Rae Klucas, Brady A Lunde, Larry A Picht, Neil Harlan Pies, Nina Rae Pies, and Steven L Vogt.

Thanks for sharing and choosing Grace in 2020. We appreciate all of you who directed your \$'s and helped Grace out.

Please remember Grace Lutheran when you direct your 2021 Thrivent Choice Dollars.

Thank you!



**NOTICE:** The Grace Lutheran Technology Team is about to launch a **NEW Website**. The website will be user friendly and include more announcements, calendar events, and information. It will be a one-stop location with everything available on the [glcwn.org](http://glcwn.org) site including seamless conversion for your tablet or cell phone.

## QUILT AND ROCKING HORSE CHANCE DRAWING

Tickets on this antique rocking horse and **beautiful** quilt are available until April 18th. The drawing will be held after the Gospel Jamboree. The quilt It is embroidered with butterflies and teal and black colors and is 71"wide x 91" long. Stop at the office Monday thru Thursday 8 am to 5 pm or Sunday between worship to purchase tickets. You may be the lucky winner!





# Country Gospel Jamboree

**Sunday - April 18 – 2 to 4 pm**

**Grace Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall**

**Featuring Leland Harding III  
& Family Tradition**



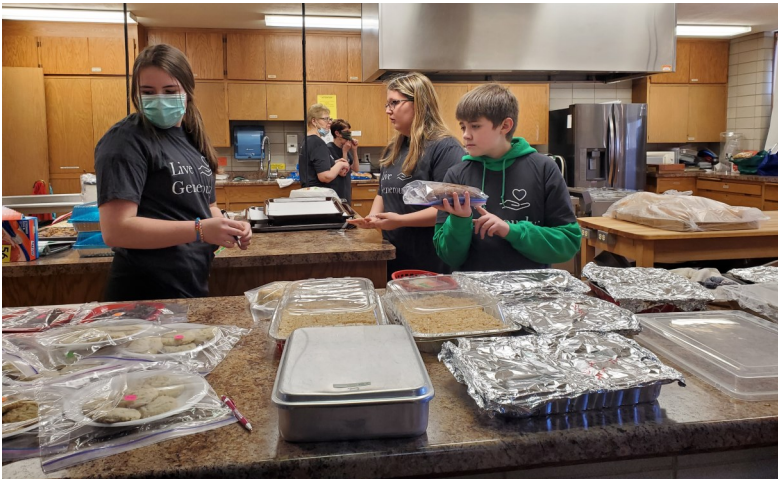
Leland had the #1 Hit, "I Learned So Much From You"  
on the Airplay Express Top 20 Gospel chart on the Dec. 6, 2020 chart.



Area musicians and singers are encouraged to come join with the band and share their talents with a country gospel song or two. To sign up, contact Pastor Cheryl at 605-237-1501.

***Cost - FREE WILL offering***  
***202 2<sup>nd</sup> St SE, Watertown, SD***

*Enjoy a meal to eat in or take out from Noon to 2 pm & Silent Auction beginning at noon.*



The Youth Group is selling face mask and other items left over from their booth at the Spring Craft and Vendor Fair. The Face mask match the t-shirts that are being sold and say "God's Grace Experiences Daily." The mask are \$8.00 and can be purchases before or after Sunday worship or from the Youth Group.  
(Thanks Riley Sprouse for being our model.)



Many helped work the concessions and bake sale at the March 13th Spring Craft and Vendor Fair including confirmation students. Donations of all kinds made the day very successful with a full house of booths and all the baked goods sold. After advertising and expenses, an estimated \$2500 will be going to the Roof Fund.

**Thank you:** Grace Lutheran served 77 people at the Banquet on March 8th with volunteers from the congregation. The meal was donated by Pastor Cheryl. I want to shout out a big thank you to all who came and gave of their time to dish up and serve others.  
Pastor Cheryl



## Please consider donating money for our palms for Palm Sunday and flowers and plants for the Easter service.

This is a wonderful opportunity to give a monetary gift in honor or memory of someone special. This money will help defray the cost of palms for Palm Sunday and flowers and green plants that will be used for Easter worship services. A list of all the contributors will appear in the Easter Sunday bulletins. The suggested donation is \$10, but you may give as much as you wish. Please be aware that you are donating money for these plants as they will be delivered to Grace's Christian Care Members. You can fill out this form and mail it in, or bring it to the church office. Forms will also be available in the Sunday bulletins beginning Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. Additional forms can be picked up in the Narthex or the church office. In order for your name to be on the list of donors, your form(s) must be turned into the office by Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>.

PLEASE PRINT (please, use one form for each person being remembered). (You may write just one check)

I/We \_\_\_\_\_

I/We are Donating: ☐ \$10 or \$\_\_\_\_\_ towards the cost of palms, Easter flowers and green plants ☐ check ☐ cash

My/Our gift is: ☐ in memory of ☐ in honor of ☐ to the Glory of God \_\_\_\_\_ check number

Please check the correct line below.

☐ my wife; ☐ my husband; ☐ my mother; ☐ my father; ☐ my grandfather; ☐ my grandmother; ☐ my grandson;  
☐ my granddaughter ☐ my son; ☐ my daughter; ☐ our mother; ☐ our father; ☐ our grandfather; ☐ our grandmother;  
☐ our grandson; ☐ our granddaughter ☐ our son; ☐ our daughter; ☐ our parents; ☐ our grandparents; ☐ other;  
\_\_\_\_\_, whose mother; \_\_\_\_\_, whose father;

Person or Persons name on this line.



# Grace Lutheran Church

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## April 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Pastor Cheryl Office Hours</b> <i>Generally</i> at Grace office Tuesday –Thursday Works from Home on Monday, Friday & Saturday You can contact Pastor Cheryl <b>directly</b> anytime! By cell or text at 605-237-1501 or by E-mail: cheryl@gracelc@midconetwork.com						
<b>4 EASTER</b> 8:30 am Worship w/ Holy Communion NO Sunday school 10:00 am Worship w/ Holy Communion & First Communion 1:00 pm Service at Edgewood	<b>5 OFFICE CLOSED</b> 1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters 5 pm BANQUET 5:30 pm Foundation Meeting 7 pm Boy Scouts/Basement	<b>6</b> 4:30 Tops/Choir Room  <b>Pastor's Spring Theological (by ZOOM) – April 6 - 8</b>	<b>7</b> 11:00 TOPS/Choir Room 1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters 6:00 pm Wednesday school 6:00 pm Confirmation 7:30 pm Youth Group Meets	<b>8</b> American Legion Interviews Using space at Grace STM Special meeting for pastor at 4 pm 6:00 pm Grace Council meets	<b>9</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> 8:30 am Worship w/ Holy Communion 9:45 am Sunday school 11:00 am Worship w/ Holy Communion	<b>12</b> 1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters 5 pm BANQUET	<b>13</b> 4:30 Tops/Choir Room 6 pm <i>Raise the Roof Fund</i> Raiser meeting for ALL Volunteers	<b>14</b> 10:00 – Service at H-Rise 11:00 TOPS/Choir Rm 1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters 6:00 pm Wednesday school 6:00 pm Confirmation 7:30 pm Youth Group Meets	<b>15</b> 9:30 am Elizabeth Circle meets in Conf Rm. 10 am Dean's Conference Call by Zoom	<b>16</b> OFFICE CLOSED Fun Night for 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Grader from 6 to 8 pm.	<b>17</b> 11 am Madden Egerstrom Baptism in the Chapel
<b>18 JAMBOREE</b> 8:30 am Worship 9:45 am Sunday school 11:00 am Worship & Baptism	<b>19</b> 1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters 5 pm BANQUET 7 pm Boy Scouts/Basement	<b>20</b> 1:00 pm Prairie Coteau Conference Pastors meet 4:30 Tops/Choir Room	<b>21</b> 10 am Townview Communion 10:30 am Jenkins Communion 11:00 TOPS/Choir Room 1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters 6:00 pm Wednesday school 6:00 pm Confirmation 7:30 pm Youth Group Meets	<b>22</b> 10 am Dean's Conference Call by Zoom	<b>23</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>24</b>
<b>25 AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM 11 am</b> 8:30 am Worship w/ Holy Communion 9:45 am Sunday school 11:00 am Worship w/ Holy Communion & Affirmation of Baptism	<b>26</b> 1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters 5 pm BANQUET	<b>27</b> 4:30 Tops/Choir Room 5:30 (Pastor) Multi Culture meeting	<b>28</b> 10:30 - Avantara Communion 11:00 TOPS/Choir Room 1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters 6:00 pm Wednesday school 7:30 pm Youth Group Meets	<b>29</b> Red Cross Blood Drive Noon to 6 pm 10 am Dean's Conference Call by Zoom	<b>30</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>May 1</b> Bible Study Retreat 10 am to 4 pm

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## Grace Lutheran Church Invites You!

*Gospel Jamboree ~ April 18 ~ 2 to 4 pm*

### Important Dates on the Calendar



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| April 4   | 8:30 AM and 10 AM Easter Worship Services w/Communion<br>1 pm Service at Edgewood          |
| April 6-8 | Rostered Pastors Spring Theological  |
| April 14  | 10 AM service at Hi-Rise Apartments  |
| April 21  | 10 AM service at Jenkins Townview<br>10:30 AM service at Jenkins Living Center             |
| April 18  | Noon to 2 pm Meal to eat in or take out<br>Noon to 4—Silent Auction<br>2—4 Gospel Jamboree |
| April 21  | 10:30 AM Service at Avantara   |
| April 25  | Affirmation of Baptism at the 11 am service  |

### ***Raise the Roof Fund Raiser***

Noon Meal to eat in or take out Noon to 2 pm

Gospel Jamboree 2 to 4 pm

Silent Auction items on sale Noon to 4 pm



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