



GRACE GLEANINGS

Grace Lutheran Newsletter

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God's Work Our Hands Sunday is September 19th

GLCW (Glace Lutheran Church Women) collect materials for kits for World Relief which are put together on God's Work Our Hands Sunday, September 19th. Materials for School, Baby Care, and Personal Care items can be purchased prior to that date and left in the tubs in the Narthex. Please check the needs as several supplies have already been donated. A monetary donation can be made for GLCW to purchase any items they are short on. All members are asked to assist in combining these kits to send to World Relief.

School kits

FOUR 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper, approximately 8" x 10 1/2"; no loose leaf paper; ONE 30 centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other; ONE pencil sharpener
ONE pair of blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well); FIVE unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band; FIVE black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band; ONE box of 16 or 24 crayons; ONE 2 1/2" eraser (NOTE: The book bags have been purchased.)

Baby Care Kits

TWO lightweight cotton t-shirts (no Onesies ®); TWO long- or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet); TWO receiving blankets, medium-weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn, between 36" and 52" square; FOUR cloth diapers, flat fold preferred; ONE jacket, sweater or sweatshirt with a hood, or include a baby cap; TWO pairs of socks; ONE hand towel, dark color recommended; TWO or three bath-size bars of gentle soap equaling 8 to 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping; no mini or hotel size bars; TWO diaper pins or large safety pins

Personal Care Kits

ONE light-weight bath-size towel (between 20" x 40" and 52" x 27"), dark color recommended; TWO or three bath-size bars of soap equaling 8 to 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping; ONE adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging*; ONE sturdy comb, remove packaging; ONE metal nail clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging

On Sunday, September 19th, at 9:30 am, members are encouraged to join together in the Fellowship Hall to put the kits together. The process includes working in one of the lines for either school, baby care, or personal care where all the materials are laid out and each person goes down the line to pick up the items for one kit. The work is not hard and with many people, goes quickly. God's Work will be done through the many volunteer hands of His people.

On September 26th, these kits will be loaded in trucks that pick up the kits from the many congregations in the area.



We Thank God for Our Volunteers...

Fred and Gwen Peshman have been faithfully caring for the plants and flowers in the courtyard at Grace Lutheran for many years. You'll often see them out pulling weeds, watering, and trimming several times a week creating this peaceful and beautiful garden. As we begin coffee fellowship once more on September 12th, take your cup of coffee and stroll through the courtyard, stop there and relax to enjoy the gift the Peshman's give to you each year. And plan your next meeting in the courtyard around the firepit.





Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Where has summer gone? It's just been busy. But a good kind of busy, and as we look at the month of September, the calendar is filled with activities.

On September 12th we return to two services on Sundays, the traditional service at 8:30 and more contemporary one at 11 am as before. That Sunday is also Rally Sunday with Blessing of the backpacks, teachers, and the Bible Presentations at the 11 am service. We will begin coffee fellowship once more at 9:30 that morning and invite all parents bringing their little ones to Sunday school to stop in for coffee and cake. It's

a great way to get to know each other and welcome others into the family of God.

September 19th is God's Work Our Hands Day. The World Relief kits will be put together ready for sending. During services we will hold a special blessing of those kits and the many quilts' members have worked on diligently through the year, even during COVID. These people are a blessing to our church and the quilts they have made are a blessing to so many people.

In September, we continue fund raising projects as well as a special Visioning meeting.

Our fund-raising efforts this month are on selling tickets for the side-by-side and a brunch on Sunday, September 26th. The brunch will begin at 9:30. The kits are scheduled to be loaded onto the World Relief trucks that day so plan to have brunch and stick around to help. More information on other upcoming fund raising is on page 11. Your help is welcome in all our fund-raising projects.

We continue our Visioning work with four statements of focus developed and on the tripod in Fellowship Hall. Data for these areas of interest will be presented from FaithX at the September 16th meeting to help us find areas of ministry for our visioning efforts. In visioning, we look forward, not backwards. The problems and conflicts of the past are left there and any negative issues are looked at only to find solutions to address them and make Grace a better place for the future. Grace has had a long history of visioning for the church and the community. We should all be very proud of that history and use it to look forward as we continue God's mission and ministry at Grace. Everyone is encouraged to attend these meetings.

In the Preschool, we have a new teacher. Dannielle Dobberpuhl has already begun her work preparing for the children who will start preschool after Labor Day. They have their own Facebook page to check out: <https://www.facebook.com/GLPreschoolWATERTOWN/>

Our office interviewing process has been successful, and we will welcome Will Rogers as the new Communications Assistant/Administrative Assistant on September 1. He will be working part-time in the office and assist in several areas of technology.

Application was made to offer an internship to Brenda Handel-Johnson, who recently graduated from Luther Seminary in the area of "Word and Service". Details of the internship are still being worked out. The internship is for 6 months and would begin in November. Her requirement for "Word and Service" is a call that equips people to serve as a conduit between the church and the world, which is a different call from mine as an ordained "Word and Sacrament" pastor.

I am certainly blessed by all these activities and new people joining us here at Grace as I have been blessed by all of you who are the members of Grace Lutheran.

"Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert." (Isa 43:18-19)

Gratefully Rejoicing in Christ for You! ~ Pastor Cheryl

***Pastor Cheryl writes a Daily Devotions each morning found on Grace's Facebook and Instagram pages.
To see all the lovely photos in color, go to the website: glcwtn.org under Resources—Gleanings.***

Minutes of the Grace Lutheran Council meeting on Thursday, August 12, 2021

The Grace Lutheran Church Council meeting was held on Thursday, August 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. with Rick Brownell presiding. Also, present were, Mark Briley, LeRoy Bullis, Ted Frost, Paul Henrichs, Rhonda Lorenz, Kayla Mohling, Geri Mohror, Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett and Cindy Vander Leest. Absent were Denies Biller, Kelly Evjen, James Goble, Sherry Jongeling, Harley Petersen, Gena Urevig and Adam Wientjes.

Pastor Cheryl led the Council in devotions and prayer.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Geri Mohror and second by LeRoy Bullis. Motion carried. A motion to approve the minutes for the July 15, 2021 meeting was made by Paul Henrichs and second by Rhonda Lorenz. Motion carried.

Items:

1.Financial Report— Cindy Vander Leest reported the monthly income to the general fund was \$18,988 the weekly average giving was \$4,747 and the weekly worship attendance was 89. A motion to accept the financial report and pay the bills was made by LeRoy Bullis and second by Mark Briley. Motion carried.

2.Pastor's Report – Pastor Cheryl continues to lead worship services, baptisms and funerals. She has been busy putting together the Gleanings, bulletins, and write/create a daily Meditation on Facebook. She is also visiting homebound members and anyone that would like a visit should call her or the church office to schedule a visit. She has been meeting with the Confirmation students and parents and confirmation classes start September 1st. There are 11 students returning and 7 new students starting their first year. She is taking vacation August 24-27th and she has registered for the Fall Theological September 19-21st in Pierre. She will be taking time off October 8th - 10th to officiate her granddaughter's wedding in Shakopee, MN. Kathy Zubke will be preaching the sermon. She has been talking with LCOOR about having a joint Thanksgiving service and possibly more things in the future. We have interviewed 4 people for the office communication/assistant position and have more interviews scheduled for next week.

Old Business:

Fundraiser Committee - Pastor reminded everyone the next meeting will be (9:30) after worship service on August 22nd. Cindy reported we have sold \$9,000 dollars worth of Kubota sideXside tickets. With fundraisers (not including the Kubota \$9,000), memorial gifts, pledges and donations we have collected \$97,000 of our \$140,000 goal.

Vision Plan - Pastor Cheryl will be hosting a "Vision Plan" meeting on Wednesday, August 18th at 6:00. Everyone is welcome and bring a friend - we are looking for new ideas. The Synod has purchased a program to help with church visions called Dive Deeper. We are planning a meeting with the synod on September 16th at 6:00. All are welcome to attend.

Funeral Policy- A motion to accept the Funeral Policy was made by Ted Frost and second by Paul Henrichs. Motion carried.

Constitution and By-Law update - Mark Briley called the Synod and we are allowed to change C10.04 - Fifty (50) voting members shall constitute a quorum to a lesser amount. Mark state if you change C10.04 to a lower amount other areas in the Constitution and By-Laws with quorum amounts should also be lower to the same amount. Mark is going to call a committee meeting to discuss and then bring it back to the Council for approval. Then the synod would review and a Special Congregation meeting would be held to vote on the Constitutional change.

New Business:

- 1. President, James Goble resigns**- VP, Rick Brownell has agreed to be President. Mark Briley and Paul Henrichs were nominated for VP position. A motion to table the VP replacement vote until the September meeting was made by Geri Mohror and second by Paul Henrichs. Motion carried.
- 2. 100th celebration expenses from Serving Group or Roof fund (413.14)** - A motion to pay the 100th celebration expenses from the Roof fund was made by Paul Henrichs and second by Rhonda Lorenz. Motion carried.

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Financial Report

Income	Budget	YTD		Debts:	Original amt	Balance
Offerings		\$ 138,382.75		Term Debt	\$ -	\$ -
Designated Gifts		\$ 815.00		Line of Credit	\$ -	\$ -
PPP Cares Act forgiveable loan		\$ -				
Scrip Proceeds		\$ -				
Member donation		\$ -				
Portico (Bassetts)		\$ 2,254.82				
GLCW & Fndtn Sanctuary lights		\$ -				
Foundation Grants		\$ 850.24				
Thrivent Choice \$\$		\$ 1,998.00				
Missions		\$ 855.00				
Misc.		\$ 828.84				
Xfer Ed Jones/Grinnell ins ROOF		\$ -				
Designated donations		\$ 11,734.94				
Total Income for General Fund		\$ 157,719.59				
Expenses						
ELCA & SD Synod Projects	\$ 2,614.93	\$ 1,379.56				
Staff						
Senior Pastor - Salary & Benefits	\$ 88,997.80	\$ 51,878.32				
Mileage Reimbursement	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -				
Call process mileage & travel exp		\$ -				
Youth & Family Director	\$ 13,842.40	\$ 8,074.78				
Business Adm Salary & Benefits	\$ 48,561.20	\$ 28,327.32				
Parish Education Assistant	\$ -	\$ -				
Office Asst & Custodians	\$ 42,703.15	\$ 15,865.50				
Payroll taxes	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 4,204.52				
Pastoral Materials	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00				
Total Staff	\$ 205,254.55	\$ 108,500.44				
Program Expenses				Other Outlays		
Office Expenses	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 7,527.57		Designated Gifts		\$ 790.00
Worship & Music	\$ 15,700.00	\$ 4,420.88		Roof Fund Ed Jones		\$ 20,000.00
Altar Guild	\$ 950.00	\$ 554.15		Portico (Bassetts)		\$ 1,177.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 150.00	\$ 131.60		Missions		\$ 730.00
Fellowship	\$ 100.00	\$ -		Misc		\$ -
Mission	\$ 325.00	\$ -		Synod Grant Fund Tech		\$ 1,000.00
Outreach & Care Ministry	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 1,424.93		Foundation Grant exp		\$ 1,119.81
Stewardship Ministry	\$ 800.00	\$ 619.24		Hallway&FH floors		\$ -
Debt Service	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -		Designated Donations		\$ 11,008.32
Insurance	\$ 11,500.00	\$ 11,180.07		Total Other Outlays		\$ 35,825.13
Utilities	\$ 31,000.00	\$ 15,379.62				
Synod Assembly Expense	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 450.00		Total Expenses & Outlays		\$ 194,944.71
PC Conference Dues	\$ 300.00	\$ 280.40				
	\$ -			General Fund - 1/1/2021		\$ 114,806.89
Contingency	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 601.31		Plus Income		\$ 157,719.59
Property Ministry	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 6,669.81		Less Expenses & Outlays		\$ 194,944.71
Program Expenses	\$ 117,425.00	\$ 49,239.58		Loan Advances		\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 325,294.48	\$ 159,119.58		General Fund - 7/31/21		\$ 77,581.77

The next Grace Lutheran Church Council meeting will be at 6 pm Thursday, September 9th

Please help "raise the roof"
Needed funds to repair the roof \$140,000.

Funds available as of 7/19/21 \$97,193



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

Fund Raising Tickets available on a Kubota Sidekick

As a fund raising project, tickets are available from members and at the office for a chance on a 2021 Kubota RTV-xG850 Sidekick. The side by side includes a grill guard, tilt steering and shock to hold up dump box without manually locking it. Plans are to sell 750 \$50 tickets with a drawing date of Feb 28th due to getting a later start than first planned. If tickets are sold before that date, the drawing will be held.

Features include:

- 851 cc 4-stroke twin cylinder full-sized g48 HP gas engine
- Tuned suspension with full or empty pay load and enhance steering geometry
- Handles 1000 lbs of cargo
- CVT-Plus Transmission
- Front & rear independent suspension
- Heavy duty steel cargo bed carries 15.2 cu ft
- a two year/1,000 hour warranty.

For more information go to New 2021 Kubota RTV-XG850 Sidekick General Purpose | Utility Vehicles in Beaver Dam WI | Kubota Orange (powersportscompany.com)



Get your tickets at the office. As soon as all tickets are sold, we will draw on February 28th

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3. **Preschool teacher, Kalli Green resigns** - Kalli Green resigned because she couldn't pass up a great opportunity in her home town. We thank her for the wonderful things she has done for our Preschool program and wish her well in her new adventure. We were fortunate to find an outstanding Preschool teacher, Ms Danni Dobberpuhl and she has already started to decorate her room.
4. **Committee for the 140th anniversary** - Pastor Cheryl reminded the Council the 140th anniversary would be in 2 years and we need to start planning for the big event now. Marcia Jelsma and Bob Waite have agreed to work on Grace's history timeline. Kayla Mohling, Geri Mohror and Rhonda Lorenz agreed to be on the committee. All members are welcome to help plan for this big event.
5. **Portico Insurance sign up deadline is Oct. 4th-15 for Ps Cheryl's ins.** - Cindy reminded the Council Ps Cheryl's sign up for insurance would be soon. In the past we have offered Pastor's the Gold Plan and I feel it is the best plan for the churches money and insurance coverage. Next month I will give more details. Portico doesn't have all of the 2022 information available at this time.
6. **Brenda (from Synod for 6 months)** - Pastor Cheryl explained Brenda would like to do an internship/ Word & Service at Grace. She is already working with the Multicultural program in Watertown. This would be a 6 month program starting November and ending April of 2022 and would be requesting \$1,800 per month. A motion to have Pastor Cheryl continue working with the Synod and Brenda to do her internship here was made by LeRoy Bullis and second by Kayla Mohling. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Property Committee - LeRoy Bullis reported there were 5 water leaks around the church after the last heavy rain we had. He will be patching the areas the best he can until the roof can be replaced.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Geri Mohror and second by Ted Frost. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Vander Leest

Mission of the Month ~ First Lutheran African Ministry, our “Neighbors in Solidarity”



The African Ministry at First Lutheran Church is a vital, growing ministry with and among African people in Sioux Falls. While the spiritual leaders and founders of this community are Liberian, worshipers on a Sunday afternoon come from many parts of West Africa. All came here fleeing the violence of various civil wars and the desperate poverty of cross-border refugee camps. The people of this community share a powerful bond of hardship and a common strength of hope in Jesus Christ.

First Lutheran African Ministry is an emerging ministry of African immigrants with the heart for God. We gathered and worshipped regularly celebrating God's goodness and proclaiming Christ's promise in a contextualized manner. We're always a happy congregation;

this is always reflected in our worship style. Take one Sunday with us and you'll be thrilled by our worship spirit.

Ministry Leader is Abraham Gayetaye. To support this ministry, contact the SD ELCA Synod.

Coffee Fellowship returns on Sunday mornings

Coffee Fellowship will begin once more on Sunday, September 12th at 9:30 am. For this first Sunday, enjoy a piece of the cake made for the 100th anniversary celebration of the sanctuary. A list will be available to sign up as the coffee server for the week. Responsibilities are to make the coffee and clean up following coffee time. All members are invited to come for coffee, get to know each other and share in this time of fellowship. The cake is picture below.



A huge thank you to Jackie Abel for making lovely embroidered baptismal napkins to be used at baptism and kept as a reminder of the special day a child becomes a Child of God. Jackie recently brought 100 napkins to the church that she had completed.

Volunteers are needed to join the Altar Guild

Looking for a way to help do your part for the church but don't have much time. Altar Guild is an opportunity to help one month of the year with changing the paraments on the altar, filling oil in the altar candles, preparing communion elements, caring for the flowers, and hanging banners at appropriate times. The work is not hard and the opportunity is for men as well as women and even couples can do this work together. If you can help, contact Krisma Dewitt, the Pastor or leave your name at the office.

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. The group meets Monday afternoons from 1:00 to 4:00. There are a variety of things to do from tying to cutting. Please feel free to join as your time allows. The fellowship is wonderful and the snacks delicious!!



Nordefest Plus is October 30th!!

Sponsored by the Grace Lutheran Church Women.

We have two months to prepare! You can help!
The most popular item for sale will be the LEFSE.



The first lefse workshops are September 13th & 14th at 8 a.m.

We need potato peelers, ricers and mixers on Mondays and mixers, ball-makers, rollers, turners, and dusters/floor-workers on Tuesdays. The lefse workshops will run for five consecutive weeks. Both men and women can come and join in the fun of lefse-making.

LEFSE WORKSHOPS at 8:00 a.m.

September 13 & 14; 20 & 21; 27 & 28 and October 4 & 5; 11 & 12



OTHER WORKSHOP DATES WILL BE IN THE OCTOBER GLEANINGS

Please direct your questions to

Dee Haugan - 886-3646 or JoAnn DeBerg - 886-6612



Other Nordefest Plus needs

include items for the bakery, ethnic delicacies (Scandinavian, German, Asian and others), rummage items for "Grandma's Attic" and jewelry. The gift shop can use quilts, gift baskets, hand towels, dish towels, dish rags, scrubbers, craft items and linens of yesteryear. Everyone can help make the 2021 Nordefest Plus a successful event. You can donate items or money and/or you can work preparing lefse, donuts, flatbröd or rosettes. It takes all of us working together to achieve what has become GLCW's most successful effort at fundraising.

JEWELS for NORDEFEST PLUS

We would appreciate any jewelry donations for the booth at Nordefest Plus. This includes watches, necklaces, bracelets, rings, brooches, earrings, scarves, belts, and purses. etc. — old, new, and in-between! Thank you for your help!



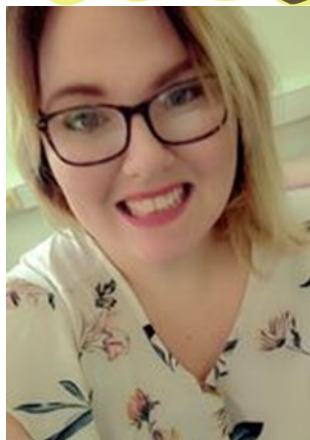
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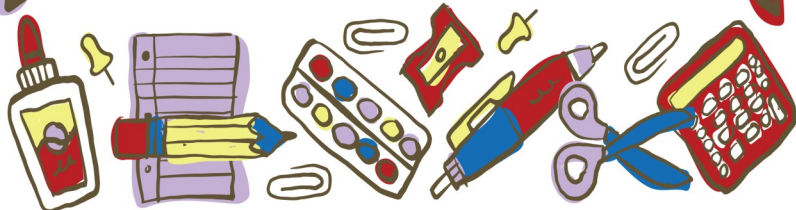
As you are cleaning out your closets and attics this fall, please consider donating gently-used, but still useful, items to the Nordefest Plus for Grandma's Attic.

No clothes, please.

You may drop your items off at the church no sooner than, Oct. 18th.



Dannielle Dobberpuhl is the new Preschool teacher at Grace Lutheran Preschool. Danni replaces Kalli Green who took a teaching position in her hometown of Wilmot. Danni grew up in Ipswich, SD with 8 siblings. She has lived in Watertown since 2016 earning an Associate in Early Childhood at Lake Area and pursuing a Bachelor in Elementary Education at Mount Marty.



CRAFTERS & NEEDLEWORKERS!

Nordefest Plus is just around the corner and the Gift Shop can use your talents! Home-crafted gifts make wonderful gifts and a great fund-raiser!

Things that sold well last year include embroidered dishtowels, things for baby (sweaters and blankets), aprons and handmade greeting cards.

Thank you in advance,



Darlene Bresson, Gift Shop Chair.

Fall Vendor and Craft Fair Coming November 6th

In the Fellowship Hall ~ 9:00 AM to 3:00 pm

To sign up for a booth Contact Janice Lindner at 605-868-1805

SUNDAY/WEDNESDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR 2021-22

Date _____

PARENT NAME _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE

Mother Father Stepdad Stepmom Other _____
Please circle one

ADDRESS _____ TOWN _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____ MEMBER? YES NO
(please circle one)

Email: _____

PARENT NAME _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE

Mother Father Stepdad Stepmom Other _____
Please circle one

ADDRESS _____ TOWN _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____ MEMBER? YES NO
(please circle one)

Email: _____

CHILDREN'S NAME(s)

Circle one	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Grade going to be in this school year	Birth Date
M or F	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
M or F	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
M or F	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
M or F	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
M or F	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Please check the session you want your child(ren) to attend

_____ 9:30—10:30 a.m. on Sunday

_____ 6:00—7:30 p.m. on Wednesday

Emergency contact if we are unable to reach you.

NAME: _____ PHONE NUMBER: _____

RELATIONSHIP TO CHILD: _____

If any of your children have health concerns we should know about, please list them here beside their name:

Date _____

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION FOR 2021-2022

PARENT NAME _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE

Please circle one **Mother** **Father** **Stepdad** **Stepmom** **Other** _____

ADDRESS _____ TOWN _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE (REQUIRED) _____
MEMBER? YES NO (please circle one) If not would you like to become a Member? YES NO

Email (REQUIRED): _____ (TO SEND REPORTS TO)

PARENT NAME _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE

Please circle one **Mother** **Father** **Stepdad** **Stepmom** **Other** _____

ADDRESS _____ TOWN _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE (REQUIRED) _____
MEMBER? YES NO (please circle one) If not would you like to become a Member? YES NO

Email (REQUIRED): _____ (TO SEND REPORTS TO)

CHILDREN'S NAME(s)

Circle one	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Grade going to be in this school year	Birth Date
M or F	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
M or F	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Was this child baptized? YES NO If so, where? _____

Has this child taken First Communion Instruction? YES NO If so, when? _____

My child will be attending Wednesday night at:

_____ 4 pm _____ 6 pm
_____ Either will work _____ NEED ZOOM CLASS
_____ I would like to take summer classes

Emergency contact if we are unable to reach you.

NAME: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

RELATIONSHIP TO CHILD: _____

If your children has a health concerns we should know about, please list them here beside their name:

All Parents must meet with Pastor Cheryl to review the expectations of Confirmation prior to the beginning of class. Please call for an appointment at 605-237-1501 or email cherylgracelc@midconetwork.com.

Preschool – 6th Grade

Fall Sunday / Wednesday school

Sunday School Rally Day – September 12th @ 9:30 am - 10:30 am

Wednesday School Rally Day – September 15th @ 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

(Kids will be attending a worship service @ 7 pm on Wednesday nights as part of Wednesday school)



Interested in helping with Sun/Wed school.
contact Becky @ beckygracelc@midconetwork.com or
605-881-5733.



**Grades 7-12
5:30 pm**

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

Youth group time will go back to 7:30 pm
starting September 15th.
Friends are always welcome!!

UPCOMING EVENT: 2022 ELCA Youth Gathering
July 24-28, 2022
Minneapolis, MN

Early Bird Registration: Sept 22, 2021 through Nov. 21, 2021
If interested in attending please notify Becky or Pastor Cheryl

Join Youth Group Remind by texting 34c2a7 to 81010.
Announcements will be coming out through this as needed.

Becky Sprouse / 605-881-5733

Raise the Roof Fund Raising Report

The Bundle package tickets for the shotgun, meat bundle, or Watertown Bucks are nearly sold. As soon as they are, a drawing will be held. This will be announced on the Grace Lutheran Facebook and glcwn.org website.

Ticket sales for the side by side are on sales and available at the office or from several members. They are sold prior to and after church each Sunday as well. Contact is being made with the Radio Station for dates to park the side by side outside their stations to sell tickets, while they make announce on the radio.

The group decided to serve a Brunch on September 26th between services as a fund raising project This is also the date for loading the World Relief truck with mission items (quilts, school kits, etc.) after 2nd service. If we have food left, we can offer this to anyone after they finished loading the truck. A decision will be made whether a charge for the meal or if it will be free will donation as this is not be a potluck. There was a discussion on holding a pancake feed. Volunteers are needed for these event.

A Vendor/Craft Fair will be held on November 6th. With Nordefest Plus the week before, the date allows for leaving a few of the booths up from that day. Volunteers are need to help with this fund raising event to set up for the fair the days before and take down following. Please leave your name at the office with contact information if you can help.

On December 12th there will be a Bake Sale. Tentatively the children's Christmas program is planned for that day and it is a good time to make those last minute treats available for sale for the holidays. The congregation will be asked to donate a variety of treats.

A comedy night has been discussed for some time but plans are to wait until January 2022. Jerry Nelson, of Volga will cover about 20-30 minutes, with a cost of \$300-\$400. Pastor talked about doing some skits, and other entertainment will be sought to fill about 1 1/2-2 hours, depending on what the admission cost would be. If anyone can provide entertainment or would like to help with a skit or two, contact the committee or pastor.

We welcome any other ideas for fund raising as we work hard to reach the goal. We are currently at \$97,193. of the \$140,000 needed. If we clear approximately \$3000 per fund raising event, that means we will need another 14 fund raisers before next summer to raise the money. Please help! Tickets are still available to take and sell on the side-by-side, which will be a big boost toward the goal when completed. Your new ideas and efforts are welcome.

To join in our next meeting, contact the pastor with your email and a link will be sent to your for the ZOOM meeting. The meeting will be on **September 13th at 6:00 pm via ZOOM**. Pastor Cheryl will set up the meeting and invite you to it. Please let us know if you have any questions.

PLEASE HELP US KEEP OUR CHURCH RECORDS ACCURATE

- Have you recently changed your address, disconnected your land line and switched to a cell phone?
- Have you changed your email address?
- Are you a snow bird that is not flying south this winter?
- Please update your information with the church office at 886-5737.
- Communication is the key to our shared mission.



Thank you for helping us stay in touch with you!

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.

Visioning continues September 16th

Includes FaithX data and resources information

We will be meeting for Visioning on Thursday evening from 6 to 8 pm September 16th with Jonathan Steiner from the SD Synod with Faithx data.

FaithX Strategic Missional Consulting is a nonprofit organization helping faith-based communities and organizations acquire knowledge to equip leadership with tools and strategies to anticipate, identify, and effectively engage emerging missional opportunities and challenges.

They provide qualities in several ways, including:

- Congregational Vitality Assessment
- Strategic Missional Planning
- MapDash for Faith Communities and other missional analysis tools
- Research on Church Vitality, Sustainability, and Missional Opportunity
- Webinars and Online Content

Faith communities are given the data and resources to discern the community they are based in to quickly assess congregational vitality and sustainability, forecasting emerging missional opportunities and challenges, respond rapidly in the present, and plan adaptive strategies for rapidly changing context.

Visioning is an activity to engage the whole diverse and varied community of Grace in dialogue to exchange ideas and dreams of the church bringing together community-wide voices with various backgrounds and unique contributions. Common ground is often found to build on each other's strengths for the good of the whole community.

Everyone has an opportunity to contribute and is encouraged to participate especially youth and those under 40 who will carry on the vision of Grace forward.

We want your voice heard as part of the mission and ministry planning for your future at Grace.

Memorials and Gifts

TO RADIO FUND: From Will Morlock in memory of Dorothy Shirks who passed at 100 years, was a faithful listener; from Scott Bassett & Pastor Cheryl in loving memory of Joe Rondeau; and from Will Morlock in loving memory of Pat Morlock whose birthday was on the 17th.

TO FLOWER FUND: From LaVerne & Louise McPeck in memory of their brothers and sisters; from Cal & Nyra Brown; from Will Morlock in memory of Pat Morlock whose birthday was the 17th; and from Art & Marcia Jelsma for their 48th wedding anniversary.

TO GRACE FOUNDATION: A memorial from Marv & AJ Sherrill for Loren Holzwarth and from Fred & Gwen Peshman in memory of Loren Holzwarth.

TO GRACE SERVING GROUP: From Dee Haugan in memory of Loren Holzwarth.

TO PRESCHOOL: From Fran Schaefer a memorial for Bob Weber, Dan & Mary Jenkins, Ted Moe, Mike Redwing, and Sara Shepherd and from Fred & Gwen Peshman in memory of Matthew Kuttner.

TO THE ROOF FUND: From Robert & Suzanne Timm in memory of Roger York; from Marvin & AJ Sherril in memory of Roger York; from Michael & Barbara Bergh in memory of Roger York; from Cal & Nyra Brown in memory of Mary Shervey and Gerald Urban; from Eric Drobny in memory of Roger York; from Geri Mohror in memory of Lois Zerfus; from anonymous in memory of Roger York; from John Deere in memory of Roger York; from Gary & Sherry Jongeling in memory of Loren Holzwarth; from Allen & Karen Kasperson in memory of Roger York; from Allen & Karen Kasperson in memory of Loren Holzwarth; and from Cal & Nyra Brown in memory of Loren Holzwarth.

Remembering

Hilmer Moen
July 3, 2021

Roger York
August 12, 2021

Kevin Fink
July 17, 2021

Gerald "Jerry" Urban
August 13, 2021

Chris Johnson
July 31, 2021

Loren Holzwarth
May 18, 2021



**Morgen Bunde &
Evan Hagen**
August 14, 2021



WELCOME!
Maverick John Ruby
August 22, 2021
Son of Taryn Ronke
& Tyler Ruby



Grace Lutheran Church



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September 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Pastor Cheryl In-Office Hours at Grace Tuesday –Thursday; Working from Home on Monday, Friday & Saturday Contact Pastor Cheryl directly anytime! 605-237-1501 or E-mail: cherylgracelc@midconetwork.com			1 10:30 am Service at Avera/raia	2 2 pm SD Rostered Pastor Meet by Zoom	3 OFFICE CLOSED	4
5 8:30 am Worship	6 LABOR DAY HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSED NO BANQUET	7 4:30 Tops/Choir Room 5:30 pm Foundation meeting	8 10:00 – Service at Hi-Rise 11:00 TOPS/Choir Rm 4 & 6 pm Confirmation Class 5:30 pm Youth Group Meets	9 9:30 am Elizabeth Circle meets in Conf Rm. 10:00 am Service at Stoneybrook 6 pm Grace Council meets	10 OFFICE CLOSED	11
12 RALLY DAY 8:30 am Worship w/ Holy Communion 9:30 am Coffee Fellowship 9:45 RALLY DAY for Sunday school 11:00 am Worship w/ Holy Communion, Blessing of the Backpacks & Teachers, Bible Presentations 1:00 am Service at Edgewood	13 Lefse Workshop at 8:00 am 1 – 4 pm Dorcas Quilters 5 pm BANQUET	14 Waterdown Ministerial meeting Noon at HyVee 4:30 Tops/Choir Room	15 10 am Service at Town View 10:30 am Service at Jenkins 11:00 TOPS/Choir Room 4 & 6 pm Confirmation Class 8 pm RALLY DAY for Wednesday School Children 7 pm Family Worship in Sanctuary 7:30 pm Youth Group Meets	16 6 – 8 pm Visioning Exercise with FaithX Data Information All members are encouraged to participate	17 OFFICE CLOSED 5 pm Jennifer Juracek & James Rudebusch Wedding Rehearsal	18 2:30 pm Wedding of Jennifer Juracek & James Rudebusch
19 God's Work/Our Hands Day & Blessing of the Quilts and Kits 8:30 am Worship 9:30 am Coffee Fellowship 9:45 am Sunday school 11:00 am Worship	20 Lefse Workshop at 8:00 am 1 – 4 pm Dorcas Quilters 5 pm BANQUET	21 4:30 Tops/Choir Room	22 11:00 TOPS/Choir Room 4 & 6 pm Confirmation Class 8 pm Wednesday School 7 pm Family Worship in Sanctuary 7:30 pm Youth Group Meets	23	24 OFFICE CLOSED	25
Fall Theological for Pastors at Pierre						
26 8:30 am Worship w/ Holy Communion 9:30 am BRUNCH fund raiser 9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship w/ Holy Communion LOADING Kits and Quilts on Truck for World Relief	27 Lefse Workshop at 8:00 am 1 – 4 pm Dorcas Quilters 5 pm BANQUET	28 4:30 Tops/Choir Room 5:30 (Pastor) Multi Culture meeting	29 11:00 TOPS/Choir Room 4 & 6 pm Confirmation Class 8 pm Wednesday School Children 7 pm Family Worship in Sanctuary 7:30 pm Youth Group Meets	30		

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September 12th at 11 o'clock Service

Sunday/Wednesday School Registration DUE

Confirmation Registration Form on page 9

Important Date to Remember

September 1—Confirmation Class at 4 or 6 pm

September 12—Rally Sun-Day

Sunday Worship returns to two services:

8:30 am & 11 o'clock

Sunday school at 9:45 am

11 am Service Blessing of the Back Packs

Bring your backpacks...

& Blessing of all Teachers and Assistance

Holy Communion the 2nd and 4th Sundays

September 15—Rally Wednes-Day

Wednesday school at 6 pm

Family worship service in Sanctuary 7 pm

First Communion Sign-up will begin in September

Nordefest Plus
Sponsored by
Grace Lutheran Church Women
October 30th

Contact Information:
Dee Haugen—886-3646 or
JoAnn DeBerg—886-6612

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