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Sundays

Worship with Holy Communion 9:00 a.m.

Fellowship & coffee time at 10:00 a.m.

Education Hour at 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Lenten Worship

6:30 p.m.

Office Hours

9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Monday-Thursday, closed Friday

A Time for Purple

The political divide is wearing on people in many ways, and it is difficult to avoid. This became very clear when processing the results from the congregational survey. The current political divide was listed frequently as something that is having a negative impact on people's spiritual journey. One thing that we find in the Bible is the variety of people with whom Christ walked, and the relationships that were formed. This need that was voiced in survey responses is the reason for the Lenten Theme "A Time for Purple: Following Christ Red and Blue World."

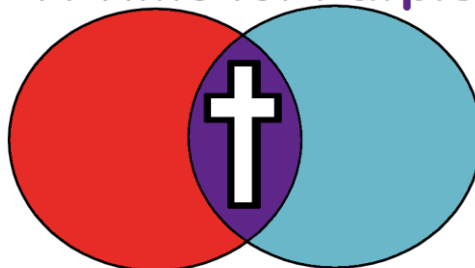
If Jesus were alive today, would he be a Republican or a Democrat?

If you have an easy and decisive answer for that question, it may be time to step back and look around. The tribal mentality that exists in the modern political landscape is damaging relationships and the overall wellbeing of many. The country is becoming increasingly divided. It doesn't have to be this way.

Come join us this Lenten Season as we dive into the realities of discipleship in our divided context. In worship on Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m., we will focus on the difference between the rhetoric of campaigns and the promises of God. On Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m., we will engage in healthy dialogue about stories from the Bible, and how they pertain to the current context.

We welcome you to be a part of this journey, together.

A Time for Purple



Happy March Birthday

- 1 - Kristen Bockenstedt
Rebecca Sonius
- 2 - Donald York
- 3 - Matthew Heid
Renee Mulvihill
Victoria Meillier
- 4 - Kimberley Carballo
- 5 - Dane Christiansen
Brent Culp
Katherine Scholl
- 6 - Pressly Reha
- 7 - La Vonne Mitchell
- 8 - Jack Chenoweth
- 10 - Patty Flannery
Nadine Garcia
- 11 - Tammy Hagerty
- 12 - Rachael Bigg
Andrew Keller
- 13 - Lathrop Preston
Hilary Woodhouse
Kyler Andersen
- 14 - Sally Niffenegger
- 15 - Lydia McCleary
Rachel Miller
Ann Warren
Phoebe Volius
- 17 - Kathy Bowermaster
Beth Flannery
Lisa Friesth
Benjamin Honsey
Melissa Swanson
Tayah Traver
- 18 - Emma Ashton
Joann Jensen
Tom Selander
- 19 - Haley Turner Bluto
Diane Westercamp
- 20 - Karen Taylor
- 21 - Angela Allen
Susan Miller
- 22 - Louie Anderson
- 23 - Rick Harmon
- 24 - Beau Brindley
Mary Jo McCleary
- 25 - Laura Gebauer
- 26 - Ryan Nordeen
- 27 - Sierra Carney
Zara Preston
- 28 - Alexson Calahan
- 28 - Charles Reynolds
- 29 - Chadrick Allen
Sharon Schwemler

Happy March Anniversary

- 15 - Sonny and Kristina Hutton
- 20 - Edward and Jane Ridnour



Our sympathies are with:

The family of Joann Jensen

Vendor Appreciation 2020

Something that impressed me when I started as church administrator here at Grace, was the number of years (or decades in many cases) that Grace has had a business relationship with an impressive number of vendors. There is a lot of loyalty! And it continues. Many of these vendors are local and privately owned, so we get to know the technicians and employees, especially with a building the size and age of GLC. We can rely on them and we do!

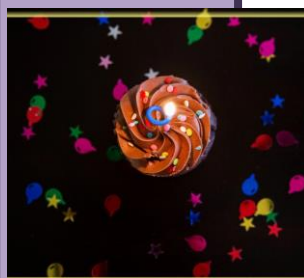
I am inviting you to join me in saying "thank you" and showing sincere appreciation for their work. To help with this, I have applied for and received a Thrivent Action Team Grant.

Beginning the week of March 1, there will be cards for the vendors on a table in the Gathering Hall. Stop by and write a note of thanks! We will also use some of the grant money to fill a small gift bag for each vendor. Donations of items for the gift bags are welcome, too! (Candy, mints, tea, coffee, tissues, lip protector, hand cream, gift cards, etc. Let's see your creativity!)

Questions? Contact Denise at denise@gracedm.org or at 515-276-6873 or 515-669-7242

March Birthdays continued

- 30 - Curtis Chenoweth
Kristin Medhurst
- 31 - Daniel Gutmann
Joan Pritchard
Amy Ziska



VBS 2020 is going to be intergenerational!

We are excited to be planning an “All Grace VBS” for June 14-18. We felt that our whole congregation would enjoy and benefit from coming together to learn and grow together.

Our theme is “On Earth As In Heaven” studying The Lord’s Prayer using curriculum offered by ELCA World Hunger.

“On Earth As In Heaven invites children and adults to (re-) experience the Lord’s Prayer and to see the connections

between prayer and service in the world. As the church prays and plays together, we also serve together and walk together toward a just world where all are fed.”



Save the dates-

Sunday, June 14 10:30 am-12:30 pm (end with a meal)

Monday, June 15 to Thursday, June 18 5:30-7:30 pm
(begin with a meal)

Be looking for more details in the months to come,
including registration.

This is for you! Come and see what all the fun is about!

NCAA Bracket Fundraiser March Madness is approaching!

Selection happens on Sunday, March 15th. So, do you feel lucky? Local and regional charities hope so! We will hold the church pool again this year. There will be a \$5 entry fee and the winner will choose which charity will receive the pool monies. Last year, Rich Voelker won and was able to give the \$200 pool to the National Association for Music Educators. So far we have given away a total of over \$1800 with this annual charity!

To enter simply fill out a bracket and turn it in to the church office between Sunday, March 15th and 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 19th with the \$5 entry fee. You should also note your chosen charity when you turn in the bracket. Brackets will be available in the church office or you can print your own. Please either include cash, or make the check payable to Grace Lutheran Church with NCAA in the memo field. You could also scan your bracket and send it to mike@gracedm.org

With no clear favorite to win this year, we will again use a scoring system with added points for the Final Four to keep things exciting. The “First Four” games will not be included. Those correctly predicting that a First Four team wins in the round of 64, even if the wrong First Four team, will receive the point. Then the round of 64 teams will be worth 1 point each with bonus points for upsets (difference between seeds). Round of 32 will be worth 2 points, round of 16 will be worth 4 points each. The following rounds will be worth 6 points, 10 points, and then 15 points for the correct Champion.



Church Council Highlights
From the January 28, 2020 Council Meeting

At the January 28th, 2020 Church Council Meeting:

- **Newly elected/re-elected Council members Bruce Bergman, Nancy Crowfoot, Valerie Culp, and Alex Davik** were welcomed to the Council.
- **Capital Campaign**
 - o The Capital Campaign Committee reported that some possible slogans, brochure ideas, and ideas for the campaign kick-off are being developed. A joint meeting with the Steering Committee will be scheduled soon.
- **The Personnel Policy Committee** delivered a draft of the newly re-written Personnel Policy. Council members will review the draft in preparation for discussion at the February Council meeting.
- **Election of Council Officers**
 - o Results of the election of Council officers are as follows:
 - o President: Tammy Denton
 - o Vice-President: Aaron Brandsfield
 - o Secretary: Dave Gronert
 - o Executive Committee At-Large Member: Carter Woodruff
- **Council and Executive Committee** meeting dates and times remain unchanged. Exec. Committee will meet on second Tuesdays at 6:30 PM and Council will meet fourth Tuesdays at 6:00 PM.
- **Other Business:**
 - o **There was a general discussion** in regard to the condition of the kitchen and certain kitchen items. Council members are seeking further information and will continue the discussion at the February meeting.
 - o **The Executive Committee** will consider formation of a committee to review our Constitution and By-Laws.
- **Next Council meeting will be February 25th, 2020, at 6 PM.**

Respectfully, Dave Gronert Council Secretary

Finance Report – January Results

Financial results for January YTD are as follows:

- Pledged Offerings – Actual \$27,751, Budget \$34,408
- Other Income – Actual \$3,040, Budget \$2,375
- Expenses – Actual \$38,746, Budget \$41,279
- Net activity – Actual (\$7,955), Budget (\$4,496)



Actual net activity was unfavorable to budget primarily due offerings below budget.

New Member Class Sunday March 8, 10:30 a.m. in the Innovation Lab (across from the office)

Do you have questions about what it means to be a member of Grace? Join Pastor Mike to learn more. We welcome you!

Organ Assistant

The church organist, Rich Snyder, is seeking to identify Grace worshippers who might be interested in voluntary service as an organ assistant. The tasks performed by an assistant organist would consist of some or all of the following:



- Unlocking the organ console and opening the roll top
- Turning on the organ console
- Locating the next hymn in the accompanist music book
- Locating the next item in the liturgy in the liturgy accompanist music book
- Turning pages for the organist during service music or choir anthems
- Operate the pistons that control the organ stops
- Provide pitches for the liturgist and pastor
- Inserting the memory stick into the USB port
- Initiate prerecorded music playback
- Turning off the organ, closing the organ, and locking the roll top

Not all of these tasks would be required of an assistant; the tasks would be balanced to the skills, interest, and maturity of each assistant organist. The minimum skills should include the following:

- Ability to read the bulletin and the words to the hymns
- An attention to details and ability to follow directions
- Maintain attention to the assigned duties for two to ten minutes at a time
- A desire to serve the congregation at Grace in worship
- An interest in learning more about the organ and how it works

Additional skills not required but necessary to perform all of the tasks above and gaining the most from the assistant's position:

- Read music (at least one clef; both clefs would be a bonus)
- Keyboard skills, i.e. piano, organ, electronic keyboard, accordion, etc.

Benefits to the assistant organist could consist of:

- Gaining familiarity with the controls on the organ console and what they do
- Learn how the pipe organ works, i.e. how does it make sounds and how is it controlled
- The opportunity to play (privately) the organ

Those interested in the assistant organist position should contact Rich Snyder after services on Sunday morning, by email (address is in the bulletin), or by telephone at 278-0341.

Spring Bell Choir Rehearsals have begun!



Sunday mornings
8:15-8:45 a.m.
weekly through
Easter on April 12.

We will play in 9:00 worship on March 22 and again on April 12 at the 8:15 and 10am services. If you want to join us for the Easter services, let Emma know so she can accommodate you in the rehearsal schedule.
emma@gracedm.org

Sign up to provide a lily for the altar this Easter

We have an online signup sheet available NOW for early-bird orders:
<https://volunteersignup.org/J3BPD>

Lilies are \$15 each, and you are welcome to take yours home after Easter worship services. You can pay online using Grace's online giving site (go to [gracedm.org](https://gracedm.org/give-to-grace/) and click Give in the upper right corner: <https://gracedm.org/give-to-grace/>) or drop off your cash or check in the office or offering plate.

ORDER AND PAYMENT DUE APRIL 5. Contact Kathy Bowermaster for more information:
kbowerma@hotmail.com or 515-971-6360. Thank you!

Youth Ministry – Active Grace

Contact ellen@gracedm.org

Plant Sale forms are available!

In this newsletter you'll find a yellow order form for our plant sale – orders are due Sunday March 29 in the office!

If you need extras to share with friends, family and neighbors (please do share!), you can find them in the Gathering Hall, the office, and online at www.gracedm.org in the Resources section.

PLEASE note, that due to some changes with the amazing greenhouse, and our sale date, that pickup will not be available until 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 9th.

If you are looking for hanging plants that don't have to be watered every day (especially if you take a midsummer vacation) we suggest Mandevilla's – beautiful huge pink blooms. This plant LOVES hot dry weather. We like to plant these in a box with a trellis they'll vine and climb beautifully!

Sunday mornings for 6th-12th graders

Meet us in the high school youth room at 10:30 a.m., with coffee, cocoa and treats provided. We hope you will come whenever you are able as we grow in faith and community together.

Cinnamon Roll fundraiser for Grace Youth Ministry

Thank you! 360 cinnamon rolls were purchased in 90 minutes last Sunday! We raised over \$800 for youth trips, including the 2021 ELCA Youth Gathering trip to Minneapolis. We'll have more cinnamon rolls for sale at the Garage Sale, Saturday May 9!



Active Grace Kids Lent Bible Story - Paul's Letters Service Learning - Pen Pal Pairs

March 1 - The Bible Story, mail basics and letter writing 101, choose p letter using template and pen pal survey.

March 8 - Watch a video about mail (Mr. Rogers), mail catch game, as station for both pen pals, mail supplies.

March 15 - Books of the New Testament song, more mail activities.

March 22 – Neighborhood walk, take pictures, write & mail notes and photo.

March 29 - Review New Testament song, write a coded message to pen pal inviting them to come April 5 if they are able and to share a self-portrait.

April 5 - Celebrate with pen pals, Holy Week lesson



Every Week (not all included at right)

Sundays

8:15 a.m. Grace Bells Rehearsal
9:00 a.m. Holy Communion Worship
10:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship, Gathering Hall
10:30 a.m. Active Grace and Education

Tuesdays

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Tuesday Bible Study with
Pastor Mike, Grace Hall
10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Centering Prayer in the Upper
room, led by Julie Honsey
11:00 a.m. Staff meeting, Innovation lab

Wednesdays

9:00 a.m. Willing Workers work & coffee time
9:45 a.m. Grace Kids Care Chapel
4:30 – 6:30 Open Quilting Session with LWR
5:00 Soup Supper, Grace Hall
6:15 Hymn Sing, Sanctuary
6:30 Holden Evening Prayer
7:00 p.m. Discussion & Confirmation, Gathering
Hall
7:30– 8:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal, music room

Thursdays

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Quilters
Msindo Quilting Room.

Other Grace Groups!

Men's Work Group We meet on the second
Saturday of each month, 8:30 a.m. – noon.
Breakfast in the kitchen, a devotion, followed by
various projects around the church.

Altar Guild Meeting, meal, and fellowship:

Third Saturday of each month, offsite for coffee
and breakfast. Contact
anderson.sue.a@gmail.com to be included.

Grace Stitching & Needlework Group

Meets every 2nd & 4th Thursdays of each month
from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., Gathering Hall. Contact
Helen Ringgenberg, Carol Krause

First Circle Friends

LSI Respite Program for those in early stages of
memory loss. Typically meeting at Grace on the
1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month. Contact
<https://lsiowa.org>

Grace Fellowship

We meet quarterly. Our next gathering will be
on Sunday March 1, 5 p.m. Our program is THE
ART CENTER with Jill Featherstone presenting.

March Calendar

- 1 – Beginning of LWR Spring Drive
5:00 p.m. Grace Fellowship & dinner
2 – 4:30 p.m. AA Groups GH & Café
4:30 – 6:30 Capitol Campaign meeting, I lab
3 – 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. Des Moines Knitters Guild,
Grace Hall
4 – See Lenten Wednesday schedule at left and
on page 9
5 – 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Quilters, Msindo Classroom
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. First Circle Friends, GH
6 – 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Private Event,
Grace Hall
8 – 10:30 a.m. New Member Inquiry Class
9 – 4:30 p.m. AA Groups GH & Café
4:30 – 6:30 Capitol Campaign meeting, I lab
10 – 6:30 p.m. Executive Meeting
11 – See Wednesday Schedule at left, on page 9
12 – 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Quilters, Msindo Classroom
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Stitching Group
Gathering Hall
5:00 p.m. GKC Parent Board Meeting – Library
13 – 5:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal, Sanctuary
14 – 8:30 a.m. – noon Men's Work Group
4:00 p.m. Wedding, Sanctuary
16 – 4:30 p.m. AA Groups GH & Café
4:30 – 6:30 Capitol Campaign meeting, I lab
18 – See Wednesday Schedule at left, on page 9
19 – 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Quilters
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. First Circle Friends, GH
20 – GKC Closed, Staff Inservice
21 – 9:00 a.m. Altar Guild, offsite
22 – Newsletter deadline for April
24 – 4:30 p.m. AA Groups GH & Café
4:30 – 6:30 Capitol Campaign meeting, I lab
6:00 p.m. Council Meeting, Grace Hall
25 – See Wednesday Schedule at left, on page 9
26 – 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Quilters, Msindo Classroom
9:30 a.m. Martha/Lydia Circle meets, Grace
Hall
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Stitching Group
Gathering Hall
28 – 9:00 a.m. Lutheran World Relief set-up,
Grace Hall
29 – Plant Sale Orders Due
30 – 4:30 p.m. AA Groups GH & Café
4:30 – 6:30 Capitol Campaign meeting, I lab
April
1 – See Wednesday Schedule at left, on page 9
19 – 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Quilters
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. First Circle Friends, GH



March is National Professional Social Workers Month

March is National Professional Social Workers Month, a time to recognize social workers and thank them for all they do. At Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI), we're grateful for the many social workers who have dedicated their lives to serving our communities across the state!

Maybe you've never had a social worker involved in your life. Yet, whether you realize it or not, you've had the benefit of their behind-the-scenes work in your community. Social workers help people help themselves in overcoming life's most difficult circumstances or managing challenges of everyday living: poverty, abuse, mental illness, depression, addiction, disability, and many other situations.

Iowa wouldn't be the same without the patience, guidance, and empowerment that social workers provide. Happy National Professional Social Work Month!

Our Mission: Lutheran Services in Iowa responds to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service. LSI is an affiliated social ministry partner of the Iowa congregations of the ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) and a member of LSA (Lutheran Services in America). We proudly serve people of all ages, abilities, religions, sexes, gender identities, national origins, ethnicities, races, and sexual orientations. Learn more at www.LSIowa.org and www.facebook.com/LSI.iowa.

Caring for Christopher

When Christopher struggled with crippling anxiety at a young age, his mom, Cheyenne, didn't know where to turn. Even going on a simple trip to the grocery store was almost impossible. She knew something needed to change.

That change came in the form of LSI's Behavioral Health Intervention Services. Each week, Christopher's BHIS worker, Jose, visited the family in their home or met with them at the local library. He brought activities to engage Christopher and help him develop the coping skills he needed to feel better when he left the house. And at the same time, he provided words of encouragement and helpful parenting tips Cheyenne could use to help her child.

Christopher recently celebrated his seventh birthday, and his confidence continues to grow. He feels more comfortable going out in public. He has graduated out of LSI services, and he recently made a new friend all on his own.

Cheyenne feels confident that even on the tough days, she has the knowledge she needs to help her child thrive, thanks to Jose.

"LSI gave us the tools we needed to help him succeed, and the reassurance that we were doing the right thing, even when it was hard," she says.

DMARC Donation of the Month: Peanut Butter

Nutrition Information

- peanut butter is a shelf-stable source of protein, and also includes many essential vitamins and minerals
- most adults are recommended to eat five to six ounces of protein every day
- two tablespoons of peanut butter counts as two ounces of protein

March Adult Education 10:30 a.m.



March 1: Lent Hymns as Poetry Presentation by Rich Snyder

The third session in a series with the words of hymns of worship. This presentation will briefly address the advantages and disadvantages of sung hymns within worship followed by consideration of only the words to some familiar and possibly not so familiar hymns which are appropriate to the themes within the season of Lent. There will be no singing of the hymns; rather, the participants will be asked to consider the meaning or lessons contained within the words and then share those with others in attendance.

March 8: Bruce Anderson (Bev Anderson's son) Shares about His Amazing India Trip.

Bruce Anderson, son of Bev Anderson, will present on his trip to India in July of 2019 with emphasis on the Sataya Special Schools in the Pondicherry area. Dr. Anderson, Adjunct Professor at the University of Iowa, accompanied 5 dental students for an observership at the Dental College there.

What he didn't expect to find was a network of schools for special needs children started by a local woman who "discovered" these children hidden in people's homes out of shame. The children have various issues such as autism, low function, failure to thrive, trisomy 12 (Down's syndrome) and other physical issues. The tradition of just ignoring these children is centuries old and the schools have won numerous awards locally, nationally and internationally.

Come visit India along with Bruce and see the sites, food, and some of the local culture, and learn about the heartwarming story of Chitra Shaw, the founder of the school. Please invite your friends.

March 15, 22, April 5: Romans Bible Study with Pastor Mike

A Lenten Study on Romans

When: March 15th, 22nd, and April 5th at 10:30 a.m.

Where: Grace Hall I

Who: Open to any and all, led by Pastor Mike

Why: *We are glad you asked...*

"Your experience with Romans may be different, but no one can doubt the enormous impact that this book has had in the history of Christianity. It probably has been the single most influential book of the Bible for the development of Christian doctrine and theology." Mark Allan Powell

"The chief purpose of this letter is to break down, to pluck up, and to destroy all wisdom and righteousness of the flesh." Martin Luther

"Because God as creator is Lord over the whole of created reality, reflections on that lordship encompass the full range of human problems, and nowhere is that more the case than in Romans. Paul deals with problems as contemporary as tomorrow's newspaper. They are problems as global as the headlines and as intimate as those discussed in 'Dear Abby.'" Paul Achtemeier

March 29: LWR Kit Packing

Assemble 230 kits on Sunday, March 29 at 10:30 in Grace Hall, all ages welcome! See page 10 for more information on more Lenten Lutheran World Relief opportunities.

Lenten Wednesday Schedule

- 4:30 – 6:30 Open Quilting Session with LWR
- 5:00 - 6:15 p.m. Lenten Soup Supper
- 6:15 Hymn Sing, Sanctuary
- 7:00 – 7:30 p.m. Round table with Pastor Mike about the evenings' Worship Topic – join us in the Gathering Hall.
- 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. Confirmation. Students and Mentors will join in the Round Table discussion.
- 7:30 - 8:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, Music Room

Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday Worship,

April 9, 1:00 & 6:30 p.m.

Good Friday Worship, April 10

1:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 12

Worship at 6:30, 8:15, 10:00 a.m.

Breakfast from 7 – 10:30 a.m. – freewill offering.

Children's Activities from 9:15 -10:30 a.m.

Season of Hope: LWR in Lent

This Lenten season, we are focusing on supporting the ministry of Lutheran World Relief. **From March 4- April 5**, we will be creating and sending personal care kits, baby care kits and quilts to LWR for people in need throughout the world who are living in deepest poverty, and are caught up in natural and human-made disasters. Here are ways you can be involved:



- **Visit the LWR website** (lwr.org) to learn more about LWR
- **Pray for the work of Lutheran World Relief** and for the recipients of our gifts
- **Bring a new adult toothbrush** in its original packaging to the display in the Gathering Hall.
- **Look for the purple** in the quilts and kits on display!
- **Make a donation toward the cost of kits** using a yellow envelope found at our display or in the pews. Please make checks out to Grace Lutheran Church or donate at grace.dm.org and put Lutheran World Relief on the comment line.
- **Make a donation directly to other Lutheran World Relief** programs at lwr.org
- **Tie a quilt** in the gathering hall or participate in a quilting session on Wednesdays, March 4-April 1 from 4:30-6:30 pm or Thursday mornings from 9:00-11:00 am. Quilting is in Msindo Hall under the sanctuary.
- **Assemble 230 kits** on Sunday, March 29 at 10:30 in Grace Hall, all ages welcome!
- **Wrap up our Lenten Season of Hope** on Palm Sunday, April 5 during worship with a kit and quilt blessing

Thank you for your generosity and enthusiastic participation! We always welcome new members to our LWR team--contact Cathy Watson for more information.

Easter Sunday Prayer Breakfast: Help requested & appreciated

Easter Morning April 12, 2020 Serving from 7:00 to 10:30 a.m.

Proceeds from the Breakfast help support Grace Lutheran Church Prayer Quilt Ministry

Menu: Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage, Fruit, Milk, Juice, Tea and Coffee



Help is needed for the breakfast to be successful. All members of Grace (men, women and youth) are encouraged to participate. For more information or if you would be willing to help before, during or after the breakfast, please contact Len Ringgenberg at 255-2395 or Lhringg@msn.com

Thank Yous

Grace Lutheran Church, The meals provided by Grace's Member Care Team were welcome and appreciated as I have been healing from a fracture in my right arm. Thank you, for this act of grace for me and Greg. When he retired, he thought of becoming a world-famous chef. That hasn't happened yet. Rita Davis

Thank you to everyone at the church for your cards, letters and people stopping by to visit my father. It really means a lot to him. He really enjoys the visits. Again, Thank you, Patti Axland, Roy's Daughter

Thank you for the visits, care, and support to my mother. She was always appreciative, and it did help lift her spirits. The family of Beverly Petty

Your Friends at Mosaic are extending a Valentines wish to you on this day. We are grateful for how you connect with us in each and every way. Granting a wish, advocating for us, sharing a smile, too. Thanks for choosing to be involved in all the ways you do! Brandi Brethauer, Katie Flippen, Janet Fisher

Dear Friends at Grace, Thank you for all the cards, phone calls, get well wishes, and offers of help following my hospitalization, and all the expressions of concern. I am beginning to feel stronger & able to leave the house on brief errands, for which I am endlessly thankful! I value your friendship, and again, thank you so much! In Christ, Lynn Niemuth