

**GRACE
LUTHERAN
CHURCH**

Sunday Schedule

9:00 a.m. Worship, in-person and Online
10:00 a.m. Fellowship & Coffee
10:15 a.m. Adult & Youth Education

Morning Prayer Tues & Fridays at 9:30 a.m.
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9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Monday - Thursday

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It's not easy...

I was at a meeting recently with various discussion breakout sessions. One of the sessions was around the question, "What is your favorite season of the Liturgical year." My response was the time after Pentecost. Another pastor remarked that he was tempted to say the same, as the first two months of that time are the "down time" within the year. It is often the start of the summer, and a time when it is a more relaxed rhythm. It is time to catch your breath.

That is all true. This is a time of year when church professionals are a little run down and tired. There are so many different things that demand attention throughout the programmatic year. There are also demands that go with each of the seasons, especially Advent, Lent, and Easter. Sprinkle in problems with water finding its way in through the roof and the basement, and it is easy to see why one would get a little tired.

As true as all of that is, that is not the reason why I love the time after Pentecost. What I love most is the intentionality of it. The liturgical calendar is spoken of as having two parts, the Time of Christ and the Time of the Church. The Time of Christ runs from Christ the King Sunday through Pentecost Sunday. It tells the story of Christ through the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, and Easter. Then it is followed by the Time of the Church. In essence, this Time of the Church is centered around the question, "How will the church respond to the story of Christ?"

The Time of the Church is dressed in Green, reminding us of nature, and of the growth that happens. The whole Time of the Church is a time of intentionality as we discern how best to be the Body of Christ in the local, regional, and global context. We cannot simply be spectators who hear the story of Christ. We are called, dare I say, commanded, to find ways to respond to the love of God made known through Jesus, the Christ.

Although the rhythm changes at first, it is not easy being green. It is not easy work. Our response to the love of Christ is anything but easy. Anger is easy. Jealousy and envy are easy. Joy, love, hope, peace, patience, and faith are all difficult. Yet, that is our calling.

To others, it may have seemed as though I was joking about getting some time for rest. Sabbath is also commanded. We all need times of sabbath rest. At the same time,

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Happy June Anniversary

- 8 – Bruce and Barbara Bergman
- 9- Matthew and Kara Jordahl
- 10 – Kevin and Jeanne Drury
Jon and Jeanine Rutter
- 13- Greg and Jill Boesch
- 14 – Robert and Rita Stackhouse
Rick and Emma Stammer
- 19 - Nick and Kristin Medhurst
- 24 – Leonard and Helen Ringgenberg
- 27 – Jeff and Nancy Robbins

Happy June Birthday

- 1 - Danielle Russell
- 2 - Dean Watson
- 4 - Leslie Denton
Virgil Olson
- 5 - Molly Riordan
Natasha Voelker
- 6 - Debbie Curry
- 7 - Livia Ocken
- 8 - Elijah Lund
Matt Radermacher
Samuel Ruiz
- 10 - Brian Riordan
- 11 - Jacob McCann
- 13 - Stacy Speck
Michele Turner
- 14 - Joshua Habick
Joel Holst
MeLissa Lawson
- 15 - Zoe Volius
- 16 - Joseph Honsey
- 17 - Curt Johansen
Matthew Jordahl
Eugene Krauss
Rita Stackhouse
- 18 - Arbor Calahan
Marilyn Nizzi
Cecelia Stammer
- 21 - Paul Kallenbach
Jay Lounsberry
Zayden Appenzeller
- 22 - Martha Mitchell
- 23 - Sharena Appenzeller
Megan Riordan
Delmar Vernia
- 27 - Donald Schouten
- 28 - Dana Roby
- 29 - Elizabeth Gronert
- 30 – Steve McCann



Our Prayers and sympathies are with:

The family of Steve Dyson,
brother of Sandy Briggs

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we should all wrestle with the question "How will I respond to the story of Christ?" What does that look like for you? What does that look like for us?

It is not easy being green, but it is worth it.

Peace,
Pastor Mike

Pastor Mike's 20th Anniversary in the Ministry

Help us celebrate Pastor Mike's 20th anniversary of his ordination as a pastor this June!

We will be having a Biscuit Breakfast Bar after church on Sunday, June 9th with biscuits and gravy, cheesy potatoes, and fruit. Please send or bring cards (no gifts) to church on the 9th and join the celebration!

Greg Boesch, Grace Council President

Help us prepare for Vicar Jesse!

Vicar Jesse will be moving to Des Moines and settling in before her first day at Grace on June 24. We are asking for your help in preparing for her arrival! If you missed her introduction in last month's Friendly Visitor, please see the article below.

Volunteers are wanted to deep clean the intern house.

Meet at Grace on Monday, June 10, 9:30 a.m. We'll all go over to the house together. Many hands make light work!

Grocery store and restaurant gift card request.

Gift cards to local grocery stores and restaurants will help Vicar Jesse be able to stock her kitchen with items of her own choosing before her first paycheck arrives, while getting to know some of the local store options and restaurants.

Place gift cards in an envelope, then place in:

- the offering plate on any Sunday
- the secure (locked) office mailbox whenever you are in the building.

If you prefer to have Grace staff/the internship committee make the purchases, simply make a donation using the secure website Give page <https://gracedm.org/give-to-grace/> and note "Vicar's Pantry" in the comment section.



Meet Vicar Jesse Hershberger!

I was born and raised in Madison, WI and attended college at Valparaiso University in Indiana. I graduated in 2020 with a Bachelor of Arts in English, Spanish, and Political Science. I was baptized and confirmed in the United Methodist Church but became a member of an ELCA congregation in college and have been Lutheran ever since. I began to sense a call to ministry in college through my participation in worship with the Lutheran Diaconal Association, an independent, multi-Lutheran organization.

Currently, I am an endorsed candidate for ordination in Word and Sacrament in the ELCA through the Indiana-Kentucky Synod. I am thrilled to be moving back to the Midwest after three years on the East Coast and even more excited to be joining your community at Grace Lutheran Church. In my free time, I am an avid reader and I love to spend time outside. I look forward to meeting you all!



Worship Volunteers Needed for summer! 2 communion assistants for June 2, 9, 16, 23

Can you help? We also need a lector and greeter during worship, and someone (or a couple) to make the coffee, set out the donuts, napkins and cups for coffeetime and fellowship. If you are interested, but new to these tasks, please call the office. We'll be happy to walk you through the details. Or ask someone on Sunday! <https://volunteersignup.org/3TKR7?classic>



Disaster Relief Response Interest with the Mission Action Fund

With the recent tornadoes in the Central Iowa area, the Mission Action Fund (MAF) representatives would like to set up a supply closet of sorts to be on the ready for the next time our neighbors are in need after a severe storm. We were thinking we could buy supplies such as tarps, plywood, nails, etc. that could be stored in the garage at Todd's house.

These supplies would be ready to go for those willing to respond for clean up duty when the next disaster strikes. We are still in the gathering of information stage, but we would like to gauge congregational interest before the purchase of any supplies. Your interest is not a commitment, but a willingness at the time of the next disaster to gather at the church with personal tools (chainsaws, gloves, hammers, tree trimmers, etc.) and pickups/cars, load the supplies and spend the day helping to clear debris or whatever is necessary to help our fellow Iowans in need. We would keep our response to a 50-60 mile radius from Des Moines. If you are interested in doing this type of work, please contact Kristin Medhurst either by phone, email or text. 515 556-8950, medhurstk@msn.com



MOTORS FOR MEMBER CARE! 2024 Grace Car Show All Are Invited!

Grace will hold its fourth annual car show on Wednesday, June 26th (with a rain date of Friday, June 28th) in the Grace parking lot from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Any changes in the date will be announced on the Grace page on Facebook. Food (hot dogs and chips) and drink (water) will be available. The main purpose of this event is to raise funds for Grace Member Care but also to have fun and socialize while we're at it. **We've had everything from unique bicycles, kid cars and campers, to electric vehicles, to new and older cars in years past so who knows what you'll see!**

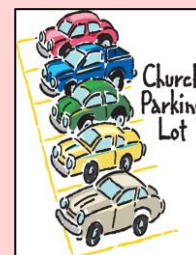
Entry fee: \$20 per car or \$10 for everything else. (Kid cars are free!) If you have any kind of transportation (car, motorcycle, pickup, SUV, hybrid, electric, bicycle, even kid's cars!) that is special to you, please feel free to bring it. You do not have to own a show car or sports car. Be prepared to talk about it with the folks that are there as almost every vehicle has a story behind it.

Who Can Enter: Grace Church members, their families, family friends and Beaverdale neighbors. **Please let us know by Sunday, June 23th if you plan to bring an entry...this helps us plan for food and parking space. However, all are invited to attend even if you do not have an entry in the show and just want to look!**

How to Enter: Contact Michelle (michelle@gracedm.org) or Kevin Drury (kdrury@hedlinag.com) or 515.681.2770 to enter your vehicle. We do need to have an idea of how many vehicles to expect for parking lot space management. Car show entries will be parked on the west side of the Grace parking lot.

Time: 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Food will be available during the evening.

Who Do I Talk to with Questions? Feel free to call or text Kevin Drury (515.681.2770) or email kdrury@hedlinag.com with any questions.



Thank You!

The Goode Greenhouse Fundraiser earned \$305 for Grace Youth! That number is 10% of what we spent in a week at Goode's, so you know Grace members appreciate their flowers and vegetable gardens!



Lydia/Martha Circle

Our next Lydia/Martha Circle meeting will be Thursday, June 20th at 9:30 in Grace Hall. Please join us, all are welcome!

During our May meeting Marilyn Nizzi gave us an update on this year's flowers in the entryway gardens.



Thank you to our volunteer Finance Team

members. Here Paul and Tom spend a little quality time together at the office. We appreciate all you do!

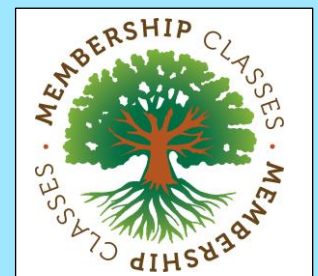


Summer New Member Classes with Pastor Mike

If you are interested in becoming a member of Grace, the next two New Member classes will be held:

- Sunday, June 30
- Sunday, July 28

If you are interested, call the office to R.S.V.P, or find Pastor Mike after worship on the 30th! If these dates don't work, you may schedule a time to meet with Pastor Mike. Email Mike@gracedm.org or call 515/276-6873.



June 2024 – School is out, but LSI continues to serve

School may be out for the summer, but LSI continues to serve Iowans year-round. Our Early Childhood team continues their in-home visits, ensuring young families are supported and connected to their community as they raise the next generation of Iowans. Our therapists are talking and, most importantly, listening to individuals struggling with mental health challenges, difficult situations at home, and seemingly simple everyday problems. Children in our Foster Care and Adoption services are bonding with their foster parents as they grow and learn in their community. Immigrant and refugee learners gather at LSI offices in Des Moines, Sioux City, and Waterloo to attend class as they prepare for their citizenship test, learn how to become financially stable, practice their English skills, and more. Global Greens farmers are busy at the farm or selling their produce at the Global Greens Farmers Market in Des Moines.



Summer is a great time to get involved with LSI! Volunteer with our Immigrant and Refugee Community Services, check our social media pages to see what donations our services need most, or give a financial gift to support numerous services benefiting children and families across the state. Visit our website (LSIowa.org) to learn more about getting involved this summer.

For more information, please contact Deb Whitford, LSI's Director of Philanthropy and Church Relations, at Deborah.Whitford@LSIowa.org or 563-676-2065.

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 LSIowa.org and facebook.com/LSI.iowa.



June Little Free Pantry Request of the Month:

Donations for the Little Free Pantry can be given through the [GIVE](#) page where funds will be used to purchase items to stock the pantry or purchase items and place in the wagon in the Main entrance to the Gathering Hall.

We would like to stock up on boxes of macaroni and cheese or skillet meal mixes this month.

You can also order items from the Grace Wish List on Amazon.com, which will be shipped directly to the church.

You Are Invited: DMARC's Annual Meeting

Join us on Thursday, June 20th at 6pm for the [DMARC Annual Meeting](#). This year we will be telling the story an unprecedented year through the stories of the exceptional people who played a significant role. We have so many things to share--and we can't wait to see you! [Let us know if you are coming so we can be ready with enough homemade pie for all! RSVP here.](#)

*“When you pray, go to your inner room, close the door and pray to your Father who is in secret.
And your Father, who sees in secret, will reward you.”
-Matthew 6:6*



Contemplative practices, characterized by quiet, stillness, and simply resting in God’s presence beyond talking, thought, and images, have been part of the Christian tradition starting with Jesus and his disciples. They have been maintained through monastic orders beginning with the Desert Fathers and Mothers in the 1st and 2nd centuries with groups of every era engaging in a wide range of practices. Jesus exemplified the contemplative way of living through His intimate relationship with God. He repeatedly reminded his followers that “I and the Father are one” (John 10:30).

A resurgence of the formal teaching of Christian contemplative practices, most notably Centering Prayer, began in the 1960s with the formation of Contemplative Outreach, a network of individuals and small faith communities committed to living the contemplative dimension of the Gospel to achieve union with God. A significant aspect of this resurgence was the teachings being offered to the laity and not strictly to those in monastic settings.

In his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus taught that resting in God’s presence begins by attending to one’s inner life, “When you pray, go to your inner room...”

We all have an “inner room,” the realm of our private space of emotions, thoughts, values, hopes, stories and reflection. Centering Prayer, a form of Christian contemplative prayer, is a practice of allowing thoughts and emotions to arise while gently letting them go so they can pass through one’s awareness before returning with one’s whole being to be present to God in the quiet of one’s inner room.

When we attend to our inner room stewarding our emotions and thoughts in silent prayer, attuning our attention to the subtle voice of the Spirit that our habituated automatic thoughts and feelings override, we nurture our spirit which brings on a sense of well-being, a “reward” from our Father.

Luther’s teaching of divine presence “in, with, around, under” ordinary human and earthly matter, suggests that we are part of something bigger. The sense of being part of something bigger, “...hidden with Christ in God” (Colossians 3: 3), is brought on through contemplative practices. Below is a link to an article from *Lutheran Living* that highlights Lutheran congregations teaching contemplative practices as “a resource for people who are weary, overwhelmed or simply searching for something more—a different way to encounter God in a time when so much is suddenly different.”

<https://www.livinglutheran.org/2022/01/contemplating-the-new-year/>

Every month a contemplative practice will be featured in *The Friendly Visitor* as a way of introducing Christian practices, some ancient, that deepen our sense of union with God, our community and the world.

Contemplative Outreach: <https://www.contemplativeoutreach.org/the-christian-contemplative-tradition/>



Congratulations to our High School graduates!



Laynne Weber

Laynne, daughter of Eric and Deanna Weber, will be graduating from Dallas Center - Grimes High School on Friday, May 24th. Graduating with honors, Laynne plans to attend Iowa State University in the Fall. She is undecided on her major but is interested in design and business management. She is a recipient of the 2024 Chick-fil-A Remarkable Futures Scholarship. As a Front of House Manager, Laynne will continue to work at Chick-fil-A over the summer as well as spending time with family and friends.



Charla Preston

Accomplishments: Throughout her high school career, Charla thoroughly enjoyed being involved in the arts, including speech, drama, and visual arts. She was in large group speech all four years, participating in mime and improv events. She went to state twice for mime. She did two years of individual speech, in the events of expository address and after dinner speaking. She went to state for her senior year after dinner speech. She was a senior speech captain. Her senior year, she played two supporting characters in the fall play. She was on the paint crew for the spring musical. She was very involved in art all four years, participating in many school art shows and receiving honorable mentions, she was selected for the Ankeny Art Show multiple times, and got two pieces accepted into the 2023 Iowa State Fair. She was chosen for the art equivalent of an honors class for seniors as well as lettered in art. She also helped lead the school to be chosen as #1 in the state for visual arts.

Plans: Charla plans to attend Buena Vista University, a private four-year college up north in Storm Lake Iowa, and intends to major in biomedical sciences and minor in Spanish. She will also be a part of the Buena Vista choir which next spring will be on a music tour through the Baltics. With her degree, she plans to become a laboratory technician.

Congratulations to our College graduates!

Kyler Medhurst

Kyler graduated May 5 from Concordia College, Moorhead, MN, with Bachelor's Degrees in Exercise Science and Biology with Minors in Chemistry and Coaching. Kyler played football for the Cobbers for his five years of eligibility (thanks, Covid!) as well as being a member of the Athletes in Action Group on campus. Kyler is staying in the Fargo/Moorhead area for a few months while he studies for his strength and conditioning coaches certification and will continue to work at the YMCA as a personal trainer and a Crossfit gym as a group fitness instructor. Ultimately he plans to find a full-time job working with athletes in the weight room, either at the high school or college level.

Leslie Denton

Leslie received her Master's in Education from Drake University on May 19th. She teaches 4th grade at Grant Ragan in Waukee.

Cal Wilner

Calvin graduated from Central College with a degree in Social Science May 11 and started his employment as a police officer for the Pella Police Department May 13. He will attend the police academy in August. Cal is getting married June 1 in Pella. Thankful to Ellen, Pastor Mike, Rich Snyder, the Houston Youth Gathering Crew and the Grace congregation for guiding Cal in his Faith. Cal currently is a member of the 2nd Reformed Church in Pella.

Celebration Sunday Potluck Photos



Pastor Mike's presentation to Vicar Adam.



SO MUCH FOOD. Grace always comes through with delicious abundance!



But wait! There's more! Deserts, drinks and our amazing volunteers, plus a whole extra table of salads



Thank you to the singers, ringers and brass players who enhanced our worship services this program year! A special thanks to Rich Snyder for leading worship from the organ and piano so faithfully and artfully.

Vicar Adam Barden
Eric Weber
Jenny Rehder
Karla Swanson
Layne Weber
Mary Jo McCleary
Rich Voelker
Tom Selander

Allison Olson
Isaac McCleary
Jill Boeschen
Kate Schaller
Linda Moravec
Pastor Mike Schmidt
Ro Zimany

Carol Woodruff
Janet Trentmann
Julie Honsey
Kathy Bowermaster
Marty Dostalick
Paul Kallenbach
Sally Thielking

Cathy Watson
Jenie Schmidt
Kari Dostalick
Kiley Brandsfield
Mary Helt
Rich Snyder
Tom McCleary



Grace Lutheran Church Congregational Council Minutes May 28 6:00 P.M.

1. Call to order – Dinner provided by Linda.
2. Devotions – The God who is Here, Chapter 2
3. Adoption of Agenda – Amended by adding 9.d. Jenny moved, Mike seconded, amended agenda approved.
4. Approval of Minutes – Carter moved, Kevin seconded, minutes approved.
5. Staff Reports – no comments
6. Finance Report
 - a. Current balance sheet is very favorable with the caveat that after the roof repairs are made, we will be in a deficit.
 - b. ELCA foundation representative Mike Klinefelter was a guest and discussed the ELCA ministry growth fund (investor account) as part of the ELCA endowment fund pooled trust. Finance committee will meet and discuss the options.
7. Unfinished Business
 - a. Endowment loan discussion tabled until June.
 - b. Status of flat roof repairs – roofing company is working through the repair list, but it's been slow due to weather.
 - c. Spiritual Direction Room – Loud air vent was checked out. Need to get Control Systems out to replace a defective part.
 - d. Concrete work to be done on 6/5. Air handling/vents will have to be shut prior to the flooring work being done and some furniture moving.
 - e. Appraisal of church property – Kevin will review information received from Stacy Horst with some possible contacts to perform an appraisal. Will check with the insurance company and review their information.
 - f. Fence Repair – Completed
 - g. Amp and Sound System Updates – waiting on delivery from Bose to schedule installation.
 - h. New intern moves in 6/18 – Jessie can do the mowing but needs assistance with snow removal.
8. New Business
 - a. Water issues in the basement over the past couple of weeks. Roto-Rooter cleaned out the lines and sump pumps have been running constantly. Water is coming in by the furnace room and quilt room. Smith Sewer cleaned out where the downspouts were rerouted but may have a broken or collapsed line. They will come out and scope out the lines.
 - b. Kami will coordinate scheduling of the painting of the parking lot, funds have been donated to cover the cost.
 - c. Accountability covenant for sex offenders – reviewed the draft covenant. Brian moved to approve the covenant; Linda seconded. Motion approved.
 - d. Bylaws update – finishing up the final review on bylaws updates.
 - e. HVAC at Todd's house – getting estimates now for both units.
9. Adjournment

2024 Congregational Council Members

Term ends 2025: Carter Woodruff, Mike Hilsabeck, Kevin Drury, Jenny Rehder

Term Ends 2026: Valerie Culp, Greg Boeschen

Term Ends 2027: Tom McCleary, Linda Moravec, Brian Gerling, Stuart Mitchell

Exec Team:

President: Greg Boeschen Vice President: Tom McCleary

Secretary: Jenny Rehder At-Large Member: Kevin Drury

2024 Southeastern Iowa Synod Assembly

On May 17-18, the Southeastern Iowa Synod met in Assembly at the Hyatt Regency in Coralville, Iowa. Jessica Flannery, Eric Weber, and Pastor Mike served as Voting Members, and Vicar Adam was in attendance and helped with the Elections Committee. Pastor Mike also serves as the Synod Parliamentarian.

Key actions from the assembly included:

- Report from the churchwide expression given by the Rev. Miguel Gomez-Acosta, Senior Director for New Ministry Development and Evangelism with the ELCA
- Music and Education by Jon Ailabouni, a jazz composer and musician based in La Crosse, WI.
- Three part Bishop's Report in which we heard of the work done by the entire staff in the Office of the Bishop for Southeastern Iowa.
- Festival Worship
- Passed resolutions regarding ELCA World Hunger Appeal, welcoming refugees, resources regarding gun violence, and a day of learning regarding the complexities of the Israel-Palestinian conflict.
- Elections for Synod Council, Synod Nominating Committee, Consultation Committee, and voting members for the 2025 Churchwide Assembly in Phoenix, AZ. Our own Allison Olson and Pastor Mike were elected to be voting members at this assembly. Congratulations!

Echoes and sound issues during worship:



We are aware, and are as frustrated as you are. We have made the calls and the adjustments and done all the troubleshooting & testing, but it appears that we won't have a good fix until one more piece of equipment arrives. Unfortunately, that piece has been delayed several times, and we are waiting on a ship date. Once that piece arrives and is installed, our Tech Team should be able to make the needed adjustments.

We sincerely appreciate our Tech Team and all those who have offered to help. Please bear with us a little longer while we wait on shipping. Thank you.

Medical Debt Relief Campaign Update

At time of publication, a total of \$15,983.10 has been donated to our campaign! We'll publish a final update in the next newsletter and other upcoming communications.

You may still make donations directly to the campaign at [Medical Debt Relief - Iowa - UnDUE Medical Debt](#). If reading this on pager, search for UnDue Medical Debt. Once on the website enter Grace Iowa, then select the campaign with our logo (seen here) and follow the directions! Thank you to all who were able to contribute. You've made a difference in the lives of many Iowans.

Finance Report – April Results



Financial results for April YTD are as follows:

- Income – Actual \$147,749, Budget \$140,100, Prior Year \$129,818
- Expenses – Actual \$137,357, Budget \$144,883, Prior Year \$163,604
- Net activity – Actual \$10,392, Budget (\$4,783), Prior Year \$(33,786)

Activity was \$15,175 ahead of budget. Activity is much better than the previous year.

Mission Action Fund

The Fund will also Accept Donations.

Fund Goal: The goal of the Mission Action Fund is to be able to respond quickly to needs in the immediate neighborhood and beyond (statewide, nationally, and internationally), and not to be used for the Congregational Budget. This fund is ideally meant to be used in instances where a Grace member is involved in direct or indirect service to others by being engaged in a community or service activity, OR in instances where a need exists outside of the Grace community. The intent here is to get Grace members actively involved in Grace's mission and to live a life differently through Christ.



Eligibility for Funds:

- Local service organizations. Grace members may or may not be directly active in the organization. Organizations that serve the Merle Hay neighborhood would be ideal but not restricted to this geography.
- Service organizations (statewide, nationally or internationally) that service/help others in times of need or crisis.

Process to Apply: Copy the following questions into an email, along with your answers and send to mike@gracedm.org. An application needs to be approved by a majority of the Quick Response Team to be funded. The Mission Action Fund Quick Response team consists of Aaron Brandsfield, Kristin Medhurst, Don Schouten, and Pastor Mike.

Grace Member Applicant Name, Member Mailing Address, Cell Phone or best way to contact you, Date of request, Funds Requested, Date Funds are Needed, Name of Organization: (if applicable), Project Name, Brief Description of Project or Need

Worship, online access, written materials, and other resources.

Sundays:

9:00 a.m. in-person worship - also livestreamed

10:00 a.m. coffeetime and fellowship in the Gathering Hall

10:15 a.m. Education Hour will return in fall after a summer break, with options for ages 5 and up!

You can also find us online:

- **On our website** [livestream page](#) every Sunday at 9.
 - From the home page at www.gracedm.org,
 - scroll to the "Welcome to Grace" section,
 - click on the red "Online Worship" button. If you see a player with our logo, know you are in the right place and worship will begin shortly.
- **Facebook:** Worship is uploaded to Facebook on Sunday after worship. Find us on Facebook [@GraceLutherandm](#)
- **Watch archived** worship services (uploaded after 24 hours) on the [Resources/Worship Videos page](#).

Worship materials are always posted on our website prior to worship. Find those and other communications at the following links.

[Worship Volunteer Signup](#)

[Weekly Announcements](#)

[Weekly Bulletins](#)

[Online Giving](#)

[Monthly Newsletters](#)