

**Morning and Welcome to Grace!
Announcements for April 13, 2025**

Immediate Prayer Needs

Darrel Mixdorf – father of Karri Brandsfield

Ongoing Prayer Needs

Amy Batten, Ellen Batten, Sandy Briggs, Ken Carlson, Lonnie Jessen, Dee Johnson, Brad Lint, Shyral Nelsen – Deanna Weber's Mother, Livia Ocken, Barb Powers, Ed Ridnour, Dana Roby, Tony - son of Linda Rundle, Karen Taylor, Deb Ubom

Happy Birthday: Mary McCann, Denise Friesth, Michael Flannery, Ernest Weatherington, Alton Calahan, Cynthia Gronert, Justin Fenimore, Jill Boeschen, Emma Stammer

Happy Anniversary: Deanna and Eric Weber, Sandra and Barry Briggs

Communion – All communion wafers are gluten free. Find directions for communion in the bulletin margins.

Welcome to Brandie Broadhead and Barbra Jotzke-Torrier who join us today from LSI!

Today we celebrate with the families of Owen Chenoweth, Zayden Curry, Livia Ocken, Kylie Radermacher, and Lucas Radermacher as they receive their First Communion.



Enjoy Coffee, juice, donut holes, and fellowship in the Gathering Hall immediately following worship.



Education Hour for all ages: 10:15 a.m.

Today, April 13

- **Adults and Middle/High School students** please join us in welcoming LSI speakers Brandie Broadhead and Barbra Jotzke-Torrier. Meet in Grace Hall after coffee for an update on LSI and an opportunity for questions.
- **Elementary Sunday School.** Meet in the Sunday School room across from the elevator on the office level.

Easter Sunday, April 20

Classes will not meet on Easter. Instead, join us for breakfast in Grace Hall between 7 and 10 a.m.

Sunday, April 27

- **Flood-Bucket packing, an All-Ages Service Project:** We will all meet in Grace Hall to pack Flood Cleanup Buckets, to be distributed in the event of a major weather emergency.
- **New Member Class:** Meet Pastor Mike in the office at 10:15 a.m.



Holy Week Worship Volunteer Needs

Maundy Thursday and Good Friday: Greeters

Easter Sunday: Communion Assistants and Greeters.

Signup using the clipboard in the Gathering Halls or at this link if online [Worship Volunteer Signup](#).



Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday Worship, 6:30 p.m. April 17

Good Friday, April 18

- Seven Sacred Pauses: 20-minute meditation pauses during the hours of **8:00 am, 10:00 am, noon, 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm**. Enter through the door marked 'Grace Hall' at the north end of the parking lot.
- Worship, 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Easter, April 20

- Sunrise Worship, 6:30 a.m. Gathering Hall and Sanctuary
- Easter Breakfast, 7 a.m. – 10 a.m. in Grace Hall (see below for information)
- Worship 8:15 a.m. in the Sanctuary
- Worship 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary



Help needed for the Easter Sunday Prayer Breakfast, Sunday, April 20

Call the Grace Office 515-276-6873, or Ross Peeler at 515-314-6830 and let us know when you can help - you don't need to help the entire morning - help on Saturday or for an hour before or after attending worship. We've added a sign up to the bulletin board to make it easy to see what is needed/share your availability.

What help is needed?

- Saturday morning around 9 a.m.: Cracking eggs, cutting fruit, setting and decorating tables.
- Sunday early morning cooking,
- Sunday 7-10 a.m. cooking, serving in the kitchen, bussing tables.
- Sunday 10 – 10:30 a.m. cleanup.



Easter Sunday Prayer Breakfast - All are welcome!



Easter Morning, April 20

Serving from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

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

There will be a basket for free-will offering.

Proceeds from the breakfast help support the Grace Lutheran Church Member Care Ministry, which provides meals and other forms of support for families during times of stress or need.



April Little Free Pantry Request of the Month:

We are collecting beans and rice products this month for the Little Free Pantry. You can also provide donations online through the [GIVE](#) page or provide a check payable to Grace Lutheran Church with "Little Free Pantry" in the memo. There is also a [Grace LFP Amazon Wish List](#) available where items will be shipped directly to the church. Thank you for your donations.



Preparation for Worship weekly, Sunday mornings 8:30 – 9:00 a.m. in the Upper Room

Starting with a prayer, they follow with a short Centering-Prayer sit, and a reflective reading of the lyrics for one of the day's hymns. The practice ends with the chanting of a Psalm before heading down to the Sanctuary for worship at 9 a.m.



NCAA Fundraiser Pool winner! Congratulations, Todd!

This year's winner was Todd Haugen. The Arthritis Foundation will receive the pool of \$155. Todd also had the 4th and 5th place brackets. Allison Olson and Dave Gronert finished second and third.

About the Arthritis Foundation: Since 1948, the Arthritis Foundation has led the fight to conquer arthritis, which now affects nearly 60 million adults and hundreds of thousands of children in the United States as well as their families and loved ones.



Things to look forward to! Additional details in the April newsletter found in the entryway on the wall.

- **May Plant Sale Fundraiser for Grace Youth May 5 – 11.**
Shop at Goode Greenhouses between May 5 and 11 (Mother's Day), and with every coupon presented, Grace will receive 10% back for the youth programming.
- **Dessert Buffet, Sunday, May 18** after worship: Let's celebrate Vicar Jesse with our favorite desserts! Start planning what you'd like to share!
- **Grace Garage Sale, Saturday, June 7, 8 a.m. – noon.** Donation drop-off on Friday, June 6
All proceeds support the Grace Little Free Pantry. We appreciate your support.
- **Grace Annual Car Show, June 18, evening, Grace Parking Lot.**

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