Morning and Welcome to Grace! Announcements for June 22, 2025

Immediate Prayer Needs

Delores Johnson, Darrel Mixdorf – father of Karri Brandsfield The Family of Carol Baker - mother of Kristin Medhurst, The Family of Karen Taylor

Ongoing Prayer Needs

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

Praying for one another is an important part of the life of a community of faith. Share your prayer needs or update your personal contact information with us by using the white Prayer Cards in your pew. **Place the folded card in the offering plate as you leave today, or in the locked office mailbox**. These cards will be placed in a private envelope for the pastor to go through on Monday mornings. You may also choose to simply call 515-276-6873, or email Pastor Mike <u>mike@gracedm.org</u>

Happy Birthday: Martha Mitchell, Sharena Curry, Megan Riordan, Delmar Vernia, Donald Scouten, Dana Roby

Happy Anniversary: Leonard and Helen Ringgenberg, Jeff and Nancy Robbins

Flowers on the altar glorify God and are given by Mike and Marilyn Nizzi in memory of Mike's brother Steve.

Thank you to Pastor Daniel Pell for sharing your time and wisdom with us today!



Worship Volunteer Signups

Signup for June using the clipboard in the Gathering Hall or through the end of July at this link if online Worship Volunteer Signup.

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



What good would you do with an extra \$2,000?

With the help of the Mission Action Fund, you can see that dream come true. The Mission Action Fund is going to award five donations to nonprofits or individuals in need. Each donation will have a \$2,000 limit. We are asking for applications, including:

- Your contact information,
- A short essay about the nonprofit and why it is important,
- Basic budget information and/or how the donation would be used.

It's that easy! **The deadline is June 30, 2025**, and donations will be awarded in July. The applications can either be mailed to Grace Lutheran Church, 5201 Urbandale Ave, Des Moines, IA 50310 in care of the Mission Action Fund, or emailed to <u>mission@gracedm.org</u>

The Mission Action Fund was established 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 is not a one-time request for applications. Our hope is that this round of donations will lead to increased applications and requests in the future.



Martha/Lydia

Lydia/Martha Circle will meet Thursday, June 26th at 9:30 am in Grace Hall. Our program will be a conversation with Deb Richards: "The Fruits of the Spirit: Noticing where the Holy Spirit is at work on our lives". Please consider this your invitation to join us.



Church Calendar Updates

Summer Bible Study group has concluded, there will be no Bible Study next Tuesday, June 24.



Office Closed

The office will be closed on Thursday June 26 as most staff members will be out of the office for meetings or vacations. The building will still be open, and all other groups and meetings will still occur as scheduled.



The Results Are In!

The **Grace Garage Sale** – held June 7th to benefit the Little Free Pantry – was a huge success! Just over \$2,100 was raised, enough to fill the backstock room for three months! We couldn't have pulled this off without the wonderful support of you – our Grace family. From donating items and helping set up, to working the sale and cleaning up afterwards, we are so grateful for the donors and volunteers who helped pull off this event without a hitch. We cannot thank you enough for your support!

Why are the Sunday announcements not in the bulletins?

We have received several requests from members to separate the announcements, so we have done just that! This allows those who follow worship using the screen prompts to read the announcements and prayer concerns prior to worship, without feeling as if they are wasting a bulletin they don't use. Some of our members read the announcements online prior to Sunday, and only want to take the bulletin. Some of you prefer both!

If you don't see the announcements, please ask the ushers for a copy - this is new for them as well. Reminder - we also have large print bulletins and children's bulletins available each week.

June Little Free Pantry Request of the Month:

This month for the Little Free Pantry, we are collecting food that would provide quick and easy food items for a meal, such as canned pasta (like Beef Ravioli), noodle skillet boxed meals, or rice side mixes. Or donate any non-perishable item you find on sale at your local grocery store. You can also provide donations online through the <u>GIVE</u> page or provide a check payable to Grace Lutheran Church with "Little Free Pantry" in the memo.

There is also a <u>Grace LFP Amazon Wish List</u> available where items will be shipped directly to the church. Thank you for your donations.

Ongoing at the Being New Spirituality Center



SoulCollage[®] is offered on the **first and third Mondays each month at 6:30 p.m**. The fee is \$15.00 to cover supplies and materials. Cindy Schloss-Calhoun is our new SoulCollage Facilitator at the Center. For more than thirty-five years, Cindy has worked as a therapist with children, families, and adults. Her gentle, welcoming presence is a beautiful addition to SoulCollage! Please contact <u>Cindy Schloss-Calhoun</u> for more information.

New session added! *Energy and Sound Healing Monthly Gatherings* Bask in a loving space through crystal tuning bowls and Reiki healing energy. 6:30pm the second Monday and 4:00pm the last Monday of each month . Contact Julie Good, juliegood03@yahoo.com or 515-306-4864 so she can plan for your presence. Julie is generously offering her time and asks that instead of a fee, participants may wish to make a donation to Being New Center.



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