

**Morning and Welcome to Grace!
Announcements for July 27, 2025**

Immediate Prayer Needs

Ongoing Prayer Needs

Amy Batten, Ellen Batten, Sandy Briggs, Ken Carlson, Lonnie Jessen, Delores Johnson, Brad Lint, Joyce Lewis, Darrel Mixdorf – father of Karri Brandsfield, 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 mike@gracedm.org*

Happy Birthday: Jeff Robbins, Genaro Ruiz, Gary Denton, Kevin Drury, Deborah Helt

Happy Anniversary: Martha and Stuart Mitchell

Flowers on the altar glorify God and are given by Pam and Lenny Palmer in memory of Lenny's mom, the original Pam Palmer.



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



Worship Volunteer Signups

Signup for July using the clipboard in the Gathering Hall or if online, find dates through the end of August at this link [Worship Volunteer Signup](#).

2025 Altar Flowers

There are a few openings remaining to sponsor Altar Flowers for this calendar year C

We invite you to sponsor a bouquet of flowers for the altar. You can include a special message in the bulletin, and the flowers are yours to take home after the worship service on Sunday. Sign up here: <https://volunteersignup.org/ADMHD> The cost is \$25 and you can pay through Grace's online giving site (<https://gracedm.org/give-to-grace/>) or by check or cash to the office. Please put your first AND last name(s) in the first name field and type a special message (optional) in the last name field (in memory of ... in honor of). Contact Kathy at kathybowmaster17@gmail.com with questions or to sign up if you are not online. Thank you!



Preparation for Worship returns, Sunday mornings beginning August 3rd.

This opportunity to center and prepare for worship is open to all.

When: Sunday mornings, 8:30 a.m.

Where: The Upper Room.

What to expect: A prayer, a short Centering-Prayer sit, and a reflective reading of the lyrics for one of the day's hymns. The practice will end with the chanting of a Psalm before heading down to the Sanctuary for worship.



Wanted! New Member Guides/Mentors

We are beginning to build a group of volunteers with an aim to gently welcome visitors and to support new members. You would be a friendly face: offering introductions and insight into the kinds of activities available at Grace, and helping to answer any questions they might have — or steering them toward the person who has the answers. If this sounds like you, please contact Michelle@gracedm.org or Mike@gracedm.org. We will plan another meeting in late August or early September.

Ordination of Adam Barden

By the Grace of God and the Call of the Church,
Adam Connor Barden will be ordained to
The Ministry of Word and Sacrament
in Christ's One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church

August 9, 2025, at 2 p.m. CST.
Faith Lutheran Church, 1402 East Ave. C
Bismarck, ND, 58501

Link to watch the service:

[www.Facebook.com/faithlutheranbismarck](https://www.facebook.com/faithlutheranbismarck)

There will be a time for fellowship immediately
following the service.

Adam has been called to serve at
First Lutheran Church in Mandan, ND



Dear LSI Supporters,

Exciting news - As a result of our community's support over the past several months we have achieved our goal of helping **every family impacted by the federal government's refugee resettlement stop work order** to find employment and become self-sufficient! At the end of June our team celebrated as the final family found work and is now self-sufficient. **Now we'd like you to join us as we celebrate our donors and community partners. Please register for an in-person event or virtual event so we can share our gratitude with you and you can meet some of the LSI team members who translated your investment into success for hundreds of new lowans.**

- Tuesday, August 12, 2025 – 4:45 p.m.-5:30 p.m. (Des Moines) - **Register Here!** Or, copy this link: <https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/ev/reg/yk5ykaw/lp/6d592c45-d7d6-42e0-a8ed-2c69b67468ae>

July Little Free Pantry Request of the Month: personal care items

Personal care items can be deodorant, shampoo, dry shampoo, conditioner, brushes and combs, bars of soap, lotion or sunscreen, baby and personal care wipes, hand sanitizer, tampons, pads, diapers, nail clippers, toothbrushes, floss, and toothpaste. Thank you for your donations.

Library Reminder:

We have set aside the books you have donated and are offering you the first opportunity to take them home. **Children's books have been set aside on the small children's table, all other donated books have been tagged and are on one of the tall shelves in the corner, and will soon be moved to tables in the library.** Likewise, if there is a book in the library that is a favorite or has special meaning, you are also welcome to take it home with you. If you would like your donated book but cannot make it to Grace, please email or call us to make other arrangements.

Puzzle Exchange:

Reminder that we have an active puzzle exchange in the library!

How does it work? Bring in puzzles you have finished with - or have tired of – and leave them on the shelf. Choose a new one to borrow, no need to sign it out. Go home and enjoy! When you are finished, bring it back, and take another.



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