The Friendly Visitor September 2025

Newsletter of Grace Lutheran Church and Community

Grace Lutheran Church:

- A community of faith, centered in worship, held in Grace, strengthened in love, sent forth in mission, in Jesus' name.
- Home of the Being New Spirituality Center.



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Submission deadline for the

October newsletter: September 22

Office & Open Building Hours

9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Monday – Thursday Or by appointment

Sunday Schedule

9:00 a.m. Worship: In-person & Online 10:00 a.m. Fellowship & Coffee

Morning Prayer on Facebook Mondays & Fridays at 9:30 a.m.

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Fall 2025 Schedule

God's Work Our Hands – Sunday, September 7
Fill the Pantries event and congregational meal! See page 4.

Preparation for Worship – Spend a little time before Sunday worship in the Upper Room praying, in group silence, and reading through one of the days' hymns. See page 6.

Bible Study - The Book of Exodus

Led by Pastor Mike and Vicar Lotegeluaki. All are welcome: friends, neighbors, members, drop-ins. Choose from:

- Tuesday mornings at 9 a.m. Meet in Grace Hall. First meeting September 9.
- Thursday evenings in Room 102 on the lower level. First meeting September 11.

Chancel Choir Rehearsals

Beginning on September 10, we'll meet in the music room below Grace Hall at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays. All singers are welcome to join us! See page 11.

Elementary Sunday School

Begins on September 14 at 10:15 a.m. K-5 students will meet in the Sunday School room, across from the elevator just up the stairs from the Gathering Hall.

Sunday Morning Adult Education (middle and high school are welcome and encouraged to participate too!)

Starting on September 14, we will meet in Grace Hall at 10:15, after worship and coffeetime. Details on page 7.

Confirmation Classes

Orientation is Wednesday, September 24, from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. in room 102. Classes begin Wednesday, October 1, at 6:45 p.m.

Exploring Grace

The next opportunity is Sunday, September 28. Meet Pastor Mike in the office at 10:15 a.m.

With Sympathy

We hold the family of

Dana Roby
in our hearts and prayers.





- 3 Brent and Val CulpTodd and Elizabeth Prescott
- 4 Donald and Gail Peterson
- Charles and Tammy DentonLon and Denise Friesth
- 6 Aaron and Martha Page
- 7 Tom and Ashley Ocken
- 13 Larry and Janice Nordeen
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- 28 Lenny and Pam Palmer

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- 8 Ethan Meadows
- 9 Joie Gronert Carrie Schall 10 John Schall
- 11 Ian Galle
- 13 John Trickel Rhonda Jensen Robert Briggs
- 14 Katelyn Jessen
- 15 Richard Voelker
- 18 Rev. Michael Schmidt
- 19 Sarah Helt
- 20 Frank McKinney
- 21 Gabe Brown
- 22 Jeanine Rutter Finnegan Holst Kylan Appenzeller
- 24 Michael Meadows Thomas Rutter
- 25 Karen Bandy
- 26 Barb Powers
 Bruce Mumm
- 27 Gregory Honnold Joshua Curry Jeryl Janson
- 28 Ross Peeler
- 29 Aaron Page Robbie Rissman



Vicar's Voice

Peace and Grace to you all. This is my fourth week here at Grace Lutheran Church community. Being here is a privilege and a blessing. As I said on one of the Sundays, the impact of this community of faith is real. I started feeling it during my first Zoom meeting with Rev. Mike. Then, again, on my arrival, I was driving down the street looking for the house address, and then I saw a hand directing me where to go. When I got out of the vehicle, this wonderful person came out of the car and greeted me and handed me two keys. One for the house and one for the church. However, I did not know that one key was for the church until one morning when I

was waiting for Mike to come and unlock the church door. He looked at me and gracefully said, "I think your key can unlock this door." How about that! The next day, I used my key. Sorry, Mike. I cannot thank you enough for your generosity. Those of you who worked on the house before I moved in, and those who brought the furniture, just to make sure that I am in a good place. The grocery card, your smiles—I truly feel blessed being in this community. Thank you so much for your greetings before and after the service. You make me feel at home.

Please receive greetings from my family. They also enjoyed worshiping with you on Sunday. I am looking forward to learning more from you as we grow together as believers. So far, I have gotten the opportunity to attend several events here and one at St. John Lutheran Church.

Here at Grace faith is active as the scripture says: "Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." Romans 15:7.

Please feel free to stop by my office to say hi when you can. You can also send me an email at lotegeluaki@gracedm.org.

Asante sana (thank you so much).

May God bless you all.

Vicar Lotegeluaki Ole L. Lengai.

Reconciling in Christ

Each month, TeamGRACE members will be sharing what drew them to the work of guiding Grace through the Reconciling in Christ (RIC) process. Members of TeamGRACE include Amy Batten, Kelley Brown, Jessye Flannery, Mary Freimuth Helt, Isaac McCleary, Jenny Rehder, and Amy Schmelzer. If you have questions about the RIC process, please reach out to any of the team members. This month's essay is from team member Jenny Rehder.

When I was in junior high school, I had a very close friend that was a talented artist, brilliant, sarcastic, and very funny. We were as close as friends could be.

When I read what she had written in my 8th grade yearbook, I got an odd feeling in my stomach. She expressed having deep feelings for me, but I was young and naïve and didn't truly understand. I never talked with her about what she wrote, and I regret that.

We stayed friends in high school but were not as close as before. We lost touch after graduation.

I have thought about her often over the years. Since joining TeamGRACE and learning more about the Reconciling in Christ process, I have gained greater appreciation for the issues and concerns affecting the LGBTQIA+ community. I wish I had known how better to respond to my friend those many years ago.

Through the work of TeamGRACE, I hope that as I learn, others will also, and we can build a community of faith that knows how to welcome, listen, support, and advocate for those that need our care and compassion.

Jenny Rehder

September 7 Is "God's Work. Our Hands" Day!

We will be celebrating with another Fill the Pantries event after worship that day. We need your help in two ways:

Be a driver or team member to go fill the pantries:

- We need 7 drivers with vehicles, with up to 4 people in each car (5 if you can fit 5). You may sign up as a full vehicle, or sign up as a driver with space and let others sign up to be a part of your team.
- At Grace, your group will be given a short list of Little Free Pantries and their addresses. A member will help you gather and load supplies. These supplies have already been gathered at Grace no shopping needed!
- Your group will head out, fill each pantry, hopefully take a photo of your group for the newsletter, and return to Grace when finished!
- Sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F49A5A62BA1FF2-58123251-gods
- If you have any questions, please contact Kari Dostalik (her number is in the directory) or contact the office. If you have trouble accessing the sign-up form we can add you to a car.



For those who do not want to drive or leave Grace between worship and the meal, Vicar Lotegeluaki will be coordinating the lunch setup. Grace will be providing grilled burgers and hot dogs, and we are asking for side dishes and just a few desserts. There will also be an ice cream truck on-site for you to purchase pre-packaged treats, with proceeds from sales going to the Little Free Pantry at Grace.

Sign up to help with the meal AND to bring side dishes here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D4BAAAA2CA1F49-58202675-congregational



Fill the

Pantries

Little Free Pantry Request:

We are collecting canned tuna, chicken, and beans for the Little Free Pantry in September. We are focusing on food that provides a good source of protein for the Little Free Pantry this month. Providing protein for food insecurity and hunger is essential for several reasons. It is crucial for growth, development, and maintenance of body tissues, as well as for numerous physiological processes. Protein helps promote fullness by reducing the feelings of hunger.



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 Grace LFP Amazon Wish List available where items will be shipped directly to the church.

Thank you for your donations.

Welcome Our New Property Manager, Nichole Aubert!

I'm thrilled to join our church family in a role that combines my passion for serving Christ with my professional experience. With close to two decades of experience in the financial sector, church administration, and property management, I bring both practical skills and a heart for ministry to this position.



What truly drives me is my love for Jesus and my genuine excitement about helping our church grow and flourish. I care deeply about this work and am eager to support our mission as we serve our community together. I believe in creating a welcoming, well-maintained environment where everyone feels at home and can thrive.

I'm looking forward to working with our wonderful office team and learning from each of you. I'm committed to doing my part to ensure our church operates smoothly so that we can focus on what matters most —ministering to our congregation and reaching our community with God's love.

My favorite scripture is Philippians 4:13: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." This verse reminds me that no matter the challenge, I am empowered through my faith to serve and contribute to our church's mission in meaningful ways.

I'm happy to be here and excited about the journey ahead. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions — I'm always eager to connect and learn how we can work together to advance God's kingdom through our church.

Feel free to contact me with any questions or if there's anything I can do to support our ministry efforts.

Finance Report – July Results

Financial results for July YTD are as follows:

- Income Actual \$237,981, Budget \$246,729, Prior Year \$251,255
- Expenses Actual \$255,288, Budget \$259,625, Prior Year \$270,503
- Net activity Actual (\$17,307), Budget (\$12,896), Prior Year (\$19,248)



Activity was \$4,411 below budget compared to \$13,175 below budget last month.

Lack of Vicar and Property Manager positions during the month contributed to this improvement.

Full year variance is primarily due to lower pledged offering than budgeted. During the year significant expense has occurred for repairs of the boiler and the elevator. Additionally, Capital Campaign monies were used to fund \$11,200 for gutter replacement and \$42,400 for tuck pointing of brickwork.



Library Reminder – Choose books by Sept 7

Now through September 7, anyone can choose any book, including from the children's section. Bookshelves have been marked so you can easily tell which are available for the taking! We'd love for these books to go to a good home.

We will be maintaining a few shelves of books in the church. However, as the library has not been utilized in recent years, and with the building being increasingly busy, the space is being reimagined. Watch for updates!

TeamGRACE Wants Your Input!

Please check your inbox for the anonymous survey that was emailed from Pastor Mike on Wednesday, August 20, and give us your honest thoughts and opinions. You can find printed copies of the survey and blank envelopes available in the entryway; just drop the envelope at the office, into the secure office mailbox, or in the offering plate.

There are also cards and envelopes available in the pews for you to ask questions anonymously. Return these to the offering plate or the office.

TeamGRACE would love to have your responses by the 10th, prior to the adult forum on September 14th, but will continue to take them after.



Preparation for Worship

Each Sunday before the worship service, you are invited to gather with our small group in the Upper Room for *Preparation for Worship*: a brief time of silent prayer followed by a reflective reading and discussion of one of the day's hymns. The gathering aims to ready hearts to enter worship as a loving, attentive presence, holding the worship service and congregation in prayer. All are welcome.

Sunday, August 31: 8:30 - 8:55 a.m.

Sunday, September 7, NEW TIME of 8:15 – 8:40 a.m.

Gathering a little earlier will help accommodate those who also want to serve as ushers or greeters, help set up the morning's coffee service, or mingle with friends, family, or visitors before worship.

Worship Volunteer Needs

Every Sunday we are need of several volunteers: Greeters, Lectors, Communion Assistants and Coffee/Donut Servers. Anyone can help — if you have questions about what is involved, just ask! We'll be happy to walk you through each position so you can decide what you feel comfortable doing. Coffee set up is simple as well — make some pots of coffee, set out the donut holes, juice, cups, tongs and napkins, put them away after worship.







Grace Lutheran Ladies Group

We meet on the fourth Thursday of the month, March – November, with an early December Christmas gathering. We enjoy a light brunch, a speaker or service project, and fellowship. Our next meeting will be Thursday, September 25, 9:30 a.m. in Grace Hall.

Please consider this your invitation to join us!

Fall Education

Sunday School:

Begins on September 14 at 10:15 a.m. K-5 students will meet in the Sunday School room, across from the elevator just up the stairs from the Gathering Hall.



Adult Education (middle and high school are welcome and encouraged to participate too!) Starting on September 14, we will meet in Grace Hall at 10:15, after worship and coffeetime.

September 14: Connie Ryan, Executive Director of Interfaith Alliance, will be our guest. Come ready to hear more about Reconciling in Christ and the process.

September 21: Who is Jesus — Really? 1 John 1:1-22

September 28: Congregation Kit Packing Service Project. Help us as we pack school kits and more for Lutheran World Relief! K-5 Sunday school will also be joining us.

October 5: Who Are We — Really? 1 John 2:29-3:34

October 12: How Can We Love — Really? 1 John 4:1-21

October 19: How Can We Live — Really? 1 John 5:1-13

October 26: Congregational Service Project to be announced.

Confirmation Classes

Meet with other middle schoolers on Wednesday evenings, with occasional service projects through the year. Orientation is Wednesday, September 24, from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. in room 102. Classes begin Wednesday, October 1, at 6:45 p.m.

Weekday Bible Study with a Focus on Exodus

Led by Pastor Mike and Vicar Lotegeluaki. Anyone and everyone is welcome — friends, neighbors, members, drop-ins. You do not have to be there at the beginning or at every meeting to be welcome and find meaning. We offer two options:

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Thursday evenings in Room 102 on the lower level. First meeting September 11.

Exploring Grace With Pastor Mike

A warm invitation to learn about our community, faith, and life together.

Welcome! **Exploring Grace** is an opportunity for you to get answers about us and find out about what being a part of Grace might look like for you.



September 28, after worship

Enjoy coffee and a donut hole after worship; then at 10:15 a.m., meet in the office on the main floor: just up the stairs and to the left from the main entry. **Questions? Contact the office at 515-276-6873 or by emailing** Pastor Mike Mike@gracedm.org. If this date doesn't work for you, Pastor Mike has scheduled Exploring Grace on the Fourth Sunday of every month September – November. Or, call the office to make an appointment at a time that works for you.



An Introduction to the Enneagram: An Ancient Tool for Spiritual Growth, Julie Honsey

The Enneagram is a dynamic and compassionate system of understanding human behavior that has deep roots in the Christian contemplative tradition. Though it has gained popularity in recent decades, its origins stretch back through centuries of spiritual practice and inquiry, especially within the wisdom of the Desert Fathers

and Mothers—early Christian monastics who sought God through silence, simplicity, and self-awareness.

At its heart, the Enneagram is not a personality test or a method of categorizing people. Rather, it is a map of the human soul—one that helps us see the habits and patterns we unconsciously developed to navigate the world, especially in childhood. It names nine core ways of seeing and relating to life. Each "type" reflects a particular gift, a virtue that lies at the heart of who we are, as well as a distortion or pattern that can separate us from God, others, and ourselves.

What makes the Enneagram especially compelling is that it assumes we are more than our personality patterns. Rather than putting us in a personality box, through awareness, it offers the potential to free us from our habitual ways of thinking, feeling, and reacting, expanding our capacity to respond with greater freedom and discernment. It gently unveils the ego structures that keep us stuck, not to shame or condemn, but to invite us into freedom. In this way, the Enneagram aligns with the message of grace: that we are deeply loved by God and continually called into fuller life and deeper communion. Jesus most vividly displays this liberation in the ways he responds to each moment not from reactivity but from the spaciousness of his true self, rooted in his intimate connection with the Divine, "...that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you." (John 17: 21) His life models what it means to live beyond ego, in union with God's love and wisdom.

The spiritual roots of the Enneagram are profound. The early Christian monks of the Egyptian desert spoke of "the logismoi"—nine passions or temptations that cloud the heart and obscure our vision of God. The goal of their inner work was not perfection but purity of heart: the ability to see clearly, love freely, and surrender to the transforming presence of Christ. The Enneagram carries this same intention. It is a tool of awareness and illumination. When approached with prayer, humility, and community, it can open us to conversion and compassion.

Each Enneagram type offers a path to wholeness. For example, a person whose type tends to avoid conflict may, through awareness and grace, discover the courage to speak truth and live authentically. One who seeks love through people-pleasing may begin to rest in the unearned love of God and love others more freely. These movements are not self-improvement projects; they are invitations into transformation—dying to the false self so that the true self, "hidden with Christ in God" (Colossians 3:3), may come to life.

In a world of quick fixes and surface labels, the Enneagram asks something deeper of us: a willingness to see ourselves as we are, and to trust that God is with us in the seeing. For those on a spiritual path, especially in Christian community, it can become a lifelong companion, helping us love more fully, live more freely, and become vessels of grace in a hurting world.

Join the Ennea GroWith Group 12-Session Enneagram Series

When: Second Mondays, 10:00-11:30 a.m., Being New Spirituality Center

Dates: October 13, 2025 – September 14, 2026

Cost: \$50 for materials

This series offers a compassionate space to explore your Enneagram type, recognize core personality patterns, and practice 3-Centered Awareness—engaging head, heart, and body, as Jesus taught to love, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength ... Love your neighbor as yourself..." (Mark 12: 30-31) Through reflection and group sharing, we'll grow in self-understanding and love.

To register or discern your type, contact Julie Honsey: honsey.julie@gmail.com.

GRACE CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL – July 22nd Meeting Minutes

Meeting came to order July 22, 2025, at 6:07 p.m.

Members in attendance – Brian Gerling, Greg Boeschen, Mike Hilsabeck, Pastor Mike Schmidt, Pam Hellman Palmer, Tom McCleary

Meal – Mike H.

Call to order

Adoption of agenda – Tom moved, Brian seconded, Motion Approved

Presentation from Bob Spears of Lutheran Lakeside Camp Capital Campaign

Devotions - Mike H.

Approval of previous meeting's minutes - Pam moved, Brian seconded, Motion Approved

"Ideas that will get you fired"

Staff Reports – reviewed

Review/Approval of Finance report – Tom moved, Brian seconded, Motion Approved

Unfinished business

- Boiler Replacement Update Work is starting to remove the 5 old boilers and replace them with 3 new higher-efficiency boilers.
- HVAC Actuators Update Getting bids for new controllers to be installed once other work is completed.
- Egress and Windows Current bids are Torgerson Excavating for the south side drain line work (\$19K), and A+ Landscaping for work on the south and east side retaining walls (\$33K).
- Intern Update New intern, Lotegeluaki Lengai, will start 8/10
- Property Manager Update Lee Cline started 7/22. He is working with Brian Gerling to get up to speed on Grace property issues.

Tabled until further notice

• Discussion about handling large memorials/bequests

New business

- Capital Campaign will be forming a committee to plan and oversee the campaign Aaron Brandsfield, Kevin Drury, Brian Gerling.
- Planning for 2027 100 yr Celebration deferred to future meeting.
- Release of giving information to Grace groups The issue is whether we share the names of
 those who donate to various Grace ministries and projects, with the Grace committee
 overseeing that ministry. It was decided that for privacy reasons we will not, as normal
 practice, be doing this. However, there may be situations where, if reviewed/approved by the
 council, this will be allowed.

Prayer Labyrinth fund raising – the paver kit is here and we're preparing to install it. Phase 2 of the project is projected to be around \$22,000. Donations have been coming in. We are currently \$4,000 short of goal.

Mission Action Update – we have donations going out to 8 charities at \$2,000 each.

Adjournment – Pam moved, Tom seconded, Motion Approved Next meeting is 8/26/25... Meal – ???, Devotions – Brian

GRACE CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

Members can always request a copy of the minutes from a member of council.

Your 2025 Grace Lutheran Church Council members are:

Valerie Culp, Linda Moravec, Pam Hellman-Palmer

Exec. Team

Greg Boeschen – President; Tom McCleary – Vice President; Mike Hilsabeck – Secretary; Brian Gerling – Member at Large



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, helping to answer any questions they might have, or steering them toward the person who has the answers.

If this sounds like something you would be interested in, please contact Michelle@gracedm.org or Mike@gracedm.org .

Christmas Worship Question

We know, we know, we aren't ready either! However, we want your comments on this issue without rushing the conversation.

in the past few years, the late Christmas Eve service has been very sparsely attended. Over the years we have moved the late service from 11 p.m. to 10 p.m. to 9 p.m., and attendance remains small, often with just 20 people and sometimes limited to the families of those who are serving.

As the 5 p.m. service remains the more popular and well-attended option, we tried offering a 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. option. The results were a full 4 p.m. service and a very sparse 6 p.m. service, mirroring the late service with few attendees.

Christmas Eve worship just isn't the same when there are only a few people singing the hymns, especially if the attendees are only staff, Altar Guild members, musicians, and the Tech Crew.



Staff are considering the following, and here is where we would like to hear from you:

One Christmas Eve Service at 5 p.m., instead of two. One Christmas Day Service at 10 a.m. – no change.

What is your opinion? Is 5 p.m. difficult for you in any way? How does this affect your holiday plans? Do you have difficulty getting to the 5 p.m. worship, and if so, what suggestions do you have for us?

Please reach out to the office during the week, or send an email to Pastor Mike mike@gracedm.org .

The Labyrinth Is Ready—Come Walk!

The labyrinth is now in place, and we warmly invite you to experience it for yourself. As you walk, we think you'll notice not only its beauty, but also the skill and care that went into its design and installation.

We're already looking ahead with excitement to **Phase Two**, planned for completion this fall, which will add a hardscape surround to provide accessibility. We will then gather to bless this wonderful new community resource. Next spring, we'll begin **Phase Three**—creating a prayer and meditation garden with additional benches and thoughtfully chosen plantings to welcome all who come seeking peace and reflection.





Dean carefully laying out each stone.

Adult Choir Rehearsals Begin



The Grace Chancel Choir will start fall rehearsals on Wednesday, September 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the downstairs music room. Whether you're new to choir, a returning singer or someone who hasn't sung in choir for a while but would like to come back, you are welcome!

Choir sings about once a month (more during the Advent/Christmas season) and we enjoy low-key rehearsals and lots of fellowship.

For more information, contact Kathy Bowermaster at kathybowermaster17@gmail.com or 515-971-6360.

Don't forget we have a Puzzle Exchange!

Do you enjoy working on puzzles?

Are puzzle boxes threatening to take over your closets? Do you miss swapping puzzles with Pastor Bunny? Now you can share and swap puzzles in the Grace 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!



Pet Blessing Saturday, October 4, 2025, 10 a.m. Grace Lutheran Church, on the lawn

You are invited to bring your furry, fuzzy, fishy or feathered friends to our Annual Community Pet Blessing on Saturday, October 4.

The service will begin at 10:00 a.m. on the lawn at Grace. Everyone is welcome so invite your friends and neighbors to attend. If you prefer you may bring a photo of your pet, or one of their toys or other belongings to be blessed.



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 on Sunday, 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 or Vicar Lotegeluaki lotegeluaki@gracedm.org

Bulletins, announcements, and sermons are all online!

For those of you who look for Grace worship materials online, we've now moved everything onto the Bulletins Resource Page. Go to the website www.gracedm.org.

- Find the word <u>Resources</u> On a laptop or desktop screen it is in the upper right-hand corner. If on your phone, click the 3 lines in the upper right corner, then find Resources, Give, and Volunteer at the bottom of the drop-down menu that appears.
- Once on the Resources page, look for the red bubble that says Bulletins, Announcements, Sermons. Click to open that page.
- Once you have the <u>Bulletins</u> page open, locate the date of the worship you are looking for. You
 can now open any of the bulleted links related to that date. You may read these online,
 download to your device, or print as you wish.

Videos currently remain available on a separate page in the Resources section here: <u>Worship Videos</u>. Sermons and Worship videos are posted approximately 24 hours after each worship. We tend to only keep between three and six months' worth of worship material and video links on our pages.

Other helpful links:

<u>Altar Flower Signup</u> — Sign up to sponsor flowers for the Sunday altar at https://volunteersignup.org/ADMHD

Online Giving — Use our secure site and decide where you want to donate: the general church budget, the Little Free Pantry, the Mission Action Fund, youth, etc. Make a one-time donation or set up a recurring gift.