

Morning and Welcome to Grace!
Announcements for October 12, 2025

Immediate Prayer Needs

Linda Gronert, Jennetta Irwin – Jason Irwin's Grandmother
The family of Doug Gullickson - Stepfather of Laura Irwin

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, Shyril Nelsen – Deanna Weber's Mother, Livia Ocken, Barb Powers, Ed Ridnour, 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: Greg Boeschen, Benjamin Wonderlin, Lucas Radermacher, Theresa Gerling, Deanna Hummel, Lt. Col. David Peterson, Victoria Janson, Sheryl Sauerman, Jane Ridnour, James Fenimore, Chris Lawson, Eryn Lenhart, Kyra Lenhart, Maya Lenhart, Vincent Meillier, Kara Jordahl, Roberto Ruiz

Happy Anniversary: Burke and Shirley Shiffler, Louie and Sue Anderson

Flowers on the altar glorify God and are given in honor of our anniversary. Louie and Sue Anderson



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



Fall Education, at 10:15 a.m.

Sunday School:

K-5 students meet in the Sunday School room, across from the elevator and just up the stairs from the Gathering Hall. Thank you to our volunteers: Rich Snyder, Val Culp, Courtney Brandsfiels, Deanna Weber, and Jenie Schmidt.

Adult Education - We meet in Grace Hall. Middle and high school are welcome and encouraged to participate.

- **October 12:** How Can We Love — Really? 1 John 4:1-21
- **October 19:** Allison Olson and Pastor Mike, Churchwide Assembly Discussion
- **October 26:** Congregational Service Project, tying fleece blankets and purchasing hygiene supplies for YSS – a youth emergency shelter in Des Moines



Weekly Bible Study on Exodus

Led by Pastor Mike and Vicar Lotegeluaki. If you know about it, you are welcome to join in!

- Tuesday mornings at 9 a.m. Meet in Grace Hall.
- Thursday evenings at 5:30 p.m. Meet in Room 102 on the lower level.



**Office Help wanted: Tuesday, Oct 14 after Bible Study: Stewardship mailing assembly**

We are looking for several individuals who would be willing to help us stuff and address envelopes for the Stewardship campaign. Come to the office at 10:30 a.m., or shortly after Bible Study finishes up, and we'll get you started. Please call the office to let us know if you can help. 515-276-6873. Thank you!

**Worship Volunteer Needs for:**

Sunday, October 12: Greeter

Sunday, October 19: Coffee/Donut server

Each week we are need of a Greeter, Lector, Communion Assistant, and Coffee/Donut Server. Sign up using the clipboard found on a Gathering Hall table, or go to gracedm.org and click on the word "Volunteer" in the upper right corner of your screen; then follow directions on the page. If reading this online, just click here: [Online Worship Volunteer Signup](#).

**Little Free Pantry Request:**

We are collecting canned fruits, vegetables, tomato or pasta sauce (no glass, please) for the Little Free Pantry in October. This could also include individual sized cups of fruit, applesauce, or pudding. 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.

**Exploring Grace With Pastor Mike, October 26, after worship**

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. 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, there will be another opportunity on the last Sunday in November. Or, just call the office to make an appointment at a time that works for you!

Upcoming offerings from the Being New Spirituality Center

To receive the Center's newsletter, email us at: beingnew@gracedm.org

**Tomorrow morning! Silent Prayer & Meditation for Peace Monday, October 20 | 10:00 a.m.**

Being New Center (Hybrid) **All are welcome.** Bring your prayers, your grief, your hope—spoken or unspoken. No words required. [Zoom link](#).

**Group Energy & Sound Healing – This afternoon!**

2nd Sundays 3:00 p.m.; Fourth Mondays 4 p.m. We meet in the carpeted room across the hall from the Center. Yoga mats are provided if you wish to lie down. There are also comfortable chairs for those who prefer to sit. Bring blankets, eye pillows, etc. if you wish. Contact [Julie Good \[juliegood03@yahoo.com\]\(mailto:juliegood03@yahoo.com\)](#) or 515-306-4864 if you plan to attend so she can prepare the space. Julie is generously offering her time and suggests that instead of a fee, participants may wish to make a donation to the Center.

**Recovery Café & Circle – Fridays at noon**

Recovery Circle is for anyone navigating challenges like addiction, depression, life transitions—or simply seeking a healthier lifestyle or deeper sense of purpose. The circle offers a safe space to share without judgment, set goals, celebrate steps of progress and move forward. Contact [Patrick Dahlen](#) patrick.dahlen@vakengroup.com 515-608-0913.



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