

**Morning and Welcome to Grace!  
Announcements for Easter Sunday, May 17, 2026**

**Immediate Prayer Needs**

Linda Moravec, Rebekah Baker - sister of Nichole Aubert  
The Family of Lenora Iverson

**Ongoing Prayer Needs**

Amy Batten, Ellen Batten, Sandy Briggs, Ken Carlson, Hadley Gouley - great-niece of Janet Trentmann, Linda Gronert, Lonnie Jessen, Brad Lint, Joyce Lewis, Darrel Mixdorf – father of Karri Brandsfield, Shyral Nelsen – Deanna Weber’s Mother, Livia Ocken, Ed Ridnour, Tony - son of Linda Rundle, Alan Schmidt – brother of Pastor Mike, Deb Ubom, Barb Zimany

**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.** Cards left in the offering plate 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](mailto:mike@gracedm.org) or Vicar Lotegeluaki [lotegeluaki@gracedm.org](mailto:lotegeluaki@gracedm.org)

**Happy Birthday:** Carol Krause, Tim Nehmer, Inga Hoifeldt, Kimberly Fenimore, Megan Jensen, Chuck Denton, Bruce Bergman, Barb Zimany, Jacob Nordeen, Kenneth Carlson, Mike Hilsabeck, Jonay Trentmenn

**Happy Anniversary:** Carter and Carol Woodruff, Steve and Mary McCann, Ro and Barb Zimany, Mike and Tina Meadows, Wayne and Debbie Curry, Richard and Michelle Voelker

**Flowers on the altar** glorify God and are given in honor of Allison's graduation by Mike, Jenie, and Samantha.

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**Coffee & Fellowship**

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



**Celebration Sunday immediately Following Worship. We have much to celebrate!**

**Come up to Grace Hall Immediately following worship this morning!** We will have our usual donuts, juice, and coffee, PLUS fresh baked Cinnamon Rolls! Come and enjoy!



- We have accomplished much since September 2025: bible studies, celebrations, successful stewardship and capitol campaigns, a new roof, many amazing service projects...
- Our graduates Allison Olson, Laria Preston, and Vicar Lotegeluaki
- The 99th Anniversary of the founding of Grace Lutheran Church!

**Grace's 99<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!**

We are beginning to formulate plans for our 100th Celebration in 2027, and will share some of the ideas we've had, and ask for your opinions and suggestions. We have recently been gifted some historical information, and thought we would share some of those items with you as well.

**Being New Prayer for Peace**

**Monday, May 18, 10:00-11:00 a.m.** [Zoom](#) only

*Contemplation is not withdrawal from action, but the source of it.* —Thomas Merton

Following a 20 minute sit in Centering Prayer or other silent meditation we will watch and discuss a video strengthening our compassionate presence in action. **All are welcome.** Bring your prayers, your grief, your hope, your wisdom. This is a collaboration of Being New and COCI.





### May LFP Request

We are collecting individual snack items for the Little Free Pantry in May: applesauce & pudding cups, granola bars, fruit & grain bars, and protein/nut bars. The [Grace LFP Amazon Wish List](#) is also available to have items shipped to the church. Donations can also be made online through the [GIVE](#) page or send a check payable to Grace Lutheran Church with "Little Free Pantry" in the memo.



### Worship Volunteers Needs for May and Early June are now online

Go to [gracedm.org](https://gracedm.org) and click on the word "Volunteer" in the upper right corner of your screen; then follow directions on the page. Or, just click here: [Online Worship Volunteer Signup](#).



### Altar Flowers

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. 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. You can sign up online at the link <https://volunteersignup.org/7RXMJ?classic> or contact Kathy Bowermaster or the office.

If signing up online, 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 [kathybowermaster17@gmail.com](mailto:kathybowermaster17@gmail.com) with questions or to sign up if you are not online. Thank you!



### Photos opportunity

We're excited to be hosting portrait photographer Tim Barrick in our community on June 6 and 7. He works with churches across North America, creating relaxed, welcoming photo experiences that focus on real connection.

**Saturday, June 6:** Tim is offering 15 minute Pay-What-You-Can outdoor mini sessions for individuals, couples, and families. [Tim Barrick Photos | Booking](#) If reading this in printed form, you can find a live link to the sign-up by going to our webpage [www.gracedm.org/resources/bulletins/](http://www.gracedm.org/resources/bulletins/) and clicking on the announcements for today.

Tim will be with us in worship on Sunday, June 7, and offering a limited number of simple headshots available after service (great for job searches, profiles, or anyone needing an updated photo). To learn more about Tim and see his work: [timbarrick.photos](http://timbarrick.photos)



### Intentionally Christian Online Study

You're invited to a six-session online study on **Sundays, May 31–July 5**, at 4:00 PM led by Dr. Craig Nesson exploring Dietrich Bonhoeffer's *Life Together* and what it means to be the church in our time. We'll focus on both personal spiritual depth ("soul care") and caring for one another in community ("mutual care") as we seek to live faithfully in today's world. All are welcome—individuals, small groups, and leaders. [Registration and the study guide are available by clicking here.](#)



### Holden Pilgrimage on the Prairie: A Gathering of Worship, Creativity, & Faith

Although Holden Village in Washington has temporarily closed due to recent landslides, its spirit continues this summer in Minnesota. "Holden Pilgrimage on the Prairie," a collaborative five-day retreat hosted by Holden Village and Shalom Hill Farm, will take place in Windom, Minnesota, **August 2–7**. Attendees can look forward to communal worship, creative workshops, and faith exploration, including nightly Holden Evening Prayer and new liturgical music. Special sessions and activities such as poetry workshops, crafts inspired by the prairie, and musical gatherings will be led by former Holden Village Directors and talented presenters from both communities. [Click here for more information.](#)



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