

Morning and Welcome to Grace!
Announcements for September 20, 2026

Immediate Prayer Needs

Kyson Blake Johnson, Isaac Leek (friend of Vicar Apo)

Ongoing Prayer Needs

Amy Batten, Ellen Batten, Sandy Briggs, Ken Carlson, Kevin Drury, Hadley Gouley - great-niece of Janet Trentmann, Linda Gronert, Lonnie Jessen, Nichole Johnson, 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, Norm Trentman, 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.** You may also choose to simply call 515-276-6873, or email Pastor Mike mike@gracedm.org or Vicar Apou Apou@gracedm.org.

Happy Birthday: Gabe Brown, Jeanine Rutter, Finnegan Holst, Kylan Appenzeller, Michael Meadows, Thomas Rutter, Karen Bandy, Bruce Mumm

Flowers on the altar glorify God and are given by Char Nielsen in memory of Moe Nielsen.



Ministry Fair Invitation

Sunday, September 20, Grace Hall after worship

Please stop by to see what fantastic work is being done at Grace serving the building, Grace membership, those in the community, and those in the greater world. Bring questions and learn about the many meaningful ways you can help support those doing the work.



Exploring Grace With Pastor Mike Sundays September 27

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. **If you are interested in learning more about Grace and how you fit in, please contact the office at 515-276-6873, or email** Pastor Mike Mike@gracedm.org. We welcome you!



Fall Ethics Study continues

Discussions will focus on chapters from the book "Beyond Bumper Sticker Ethics". This series will dive into the various ways people view the world and talk about how to find common ground with family, friends, and neighbors.

- Tuesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in Grace Hall
- Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in Room 102
- Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. in Room 102

Elementary Sunday School Begins on September 27 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 – Women of the New Testament

Middle and high schoolers are considered as adults for Sunday education!
Starting on September 27, we will meet in Grace Hall at 10:15, after worship and coffeetime.

Confirmation Classes: Orientation is Wednesday, September 30 at 6:30 p.m. in room 102. Classes begin Wednesday, October 7, at 6:30 p.m.



Chancel Choir Rehearsals have begun!

Do you enjoy singing? Join us in the music room below Grace Hall at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays.



Pet Blessing

October 3, 10:30 a.m. with Pastor Mike. You are invited to bring your furry, fuzzy, fishy or feathered friends to our Annual Community Pet Blessing on Saturday, October 3.

The service will begin at 10:30 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.

Follow-up: GWOH Sunday was wonderful and productive!

Several members of the MOSAIC community joined us for worship and our service project. Together we made 160 personal care kits, 168 school kits and tied 8 quilts for Lutheran World Relief. We then shared a meal together to end the morning. Thank you to all who helped make this day a success! We've included a few photos below - submitted by Cathy Watson. Additional photos will be included in the October Friendly Visitor.

Join us on October 11th after worship for our All Ages Service Project and help us collect kit supplies.

We will be making fleece hats to share through the Little Free Pantry as the weather gets colder. We will also show love to our elder refugee neighbors by creating personal hygiene kits. Lutheran Services in Iowa offers health and personal care classes to this group, and will give these kits to participants at the completion of their class. These elders have become particularly vulnerable with the loss of healthcare coverage and SNAP benefits. Current members of these classes include people from Congo, Sudan, Tanzania, Myanmar, and Bhutan.

Please bring these supplies to the church office by Oct 4:

- Toothpaste, regular size
- Deodorant, regular size, gender neutral
- Lip balm



September Worship Volunteer Needs

- **September 27:** 1 Communion Assistant, Coffee/Donut Host
- **October 4:** Greeter, 3 Communion Assistants, Coffee/Donut Host

Sign up for next Sunday using the clipboard in the Gathering Hall, or to sign up for dates into October, go online to: [Online Worship Volunteer Signup](#).

Little Free Pantry Request for September: canned tuna, chicken, and beans.

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. Your donations are greatly appreciated.



100th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, May 22, 2027:

Building Tours during the day. Banquet in the evening.

Sunday, May 23, 2027:

Worship in the Sanctuary at Grace!



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