

GRACE GLEANINGS

Grace Lutheran Church Newsletter

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We Thank God for Volunteers ~ Harper's Heroes Fundraising

Several volunteer members of Grace Lutheran and the community came together to hold the "Bent But Not Broken" Harper's Heroes Fundraiser for 10 year old Harper Evjen on Saturday June 17 at Grace Lutheran Fellowship Hall.

Harper was diagnosed with a severe form of Scoliosis and will undergo major spinal surgery in July to preserve her mobility and allow her to continue to grow as normally as possible. Continued surgeries may also be necessary over time.

The fund-raiser included a meal, chance drawings, 50 square boards of prizes, Harper bracelets, music, bake sale and a cheer demonstration as part of the days activities.

A large crowd gathered throughout the event making the fundraising activity a huge success.

Donations can also be sent to Dakota Bank under "Harper's Heroes".

Pictured above at right are the Evjen family I to r: Aiden, Kelly, Harper and Chris.





"Meet and Greet" well attended for Ukraine Refugee Families

Over forty pictured above attended a potluck "Meet and Greet" held in June for the Ukraine Refugee families sponsors by Grace Lutheran and others in the Watertown community. Families introduced themselves.

Grace sponsored family Igor Pavlovich Tokarev, his wife Lyubov, and children Ramir and Davyd, ages 8 and 11 and Vasyl Molod were among the those present. Igor has begun work at Macksteel in Watertown. Ramir and David are in summer school where they receive English second language classes. Volunteer E2L tutors are working with Igor and Lyvbov on E2L as well. Vasyl who lives in Wilmot with Pastor Cheryl and husband Scott is currently working at Valley Queen Cheese Factory in Milbank.

Other Ukrainian families living in the Watertown area also attended with their sponsors and church. They are currently employed at Glacial Lakes Plastic and Rubber Company.

As more families arrive another potluck "Meet and Greet" will be held to welcome and get to know our new neighbors. Donations to the designated Ukraine fund can be mail to Grace Lutheran with Ukraine Fund in the memo or gifts card are also appreciated to purchase necessary items: 202 2nd St SE, Watertown, SD 57201.



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This month I have to talk about something I never like to discuss: Stewardship.

It's an old-fashioned word described as "the job of supervising or taking care of something, such as an organization or property."

In the beginning God created this earth and everything in it. He gave us the responsibility to share it and care for it saying, "²⁶Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." ... "²⁹"See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the

the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so." (Genesis 1)

In Stewardship class at seminary, we read a book called *Not Your Parents' Offering Plates: A New Vision for Financial Stewardship* by Clif Christopher. One point he made was the pastor should be involved in the finances and know who gives and the major givers. I was appalled when the discussion turned to how we should schmooze those who have the most to give.

I feel the pastor should be involved in the financial information of the church to know what's going on but that's where I stop. I believe everyone should be treated the same no matter what they give. We are all God's children and loved equally by Him, that's what scriptures tells us.

But the church is like a business in that it needs revenue to pay the expenses. The same is true for your family's budget, it's simply sound financial management.

Unlike the days of our parents, families do not tithe as they once did. (Tithing: Giving one tenth of their income for the support of the church and clergy.) Reference to tithing comes from scriptures: Genesis 14: 20 & 28: 22; Deuteronomy 12: 6; Leviticus 27: 30-34; Numbers 18; 2 Chronicles 31: 4-5; Matthew 23:23; Mark 12: 41-44 to name just a few.

According to Christopher's book, "people today want to be part of something that changes lives." Every non-profit and even for-profit organizations today are asking for donations whether it is the gym that promotes changing your life to be a healthier you, a new treatment to cure a new disease, the university you attended for athletic scholarship, or a new activity that will make your life more exciting. Marketers know how to grab your attention to their product and create an emotional desire to believe it will make your life better. Advertisers work hard to convince younger adults what they give for their produce will achieve good for more people and themselves.

But nothing changes a person's life as much as their faith. Knowing the hope and love of God and what He has done for you through Christ crucified and risen changes the focus of your life and your desires in this world for we do not live for ourselves or this world but for our heavenly home and to bring glory to God.

Perhaps highlighting those stories in and around Grace Lutheran would be helpful. Stories of how God's love and grace has changed lives and impacted their faith life. Stories of what benefits the church has made or the difference it has had in their life can be shown. Stories that tell how Christ is at work in the world through the mission and ministry of Grace Lutheran. If there are any among you who are willing to give such a testimony, I certainly offer you the time and space.

Christopher does bring out the point that giving is a spiritual issue. With that I would agree, rather than emotionally manipulating people to give. Monetary funds to the church are used to pay the operating costs, employees and pastors salaries, upkeep of the property and maintenance. It is just like your business or household finances, there are cost involved in keeping the doors open to continue. We have made many cuts over the last years to the bare bones in every way.

The financial books are always open to anyone who would like to review them and make suggestions on where more cuts can be made. There are those who will have personal opinions about the leadership of the church, the fund-raising attempts, or the activities that do or don't occur. But giving comes from a personal conviction of hearing the Word. To do that, one must take time to attend or listen each week as the Spirit moves you to respond to the grace of God by returning a portion of what He has blessed you with.

I personally want to thank you for all that you give. I must ask you to consider ways you can cut corners to offer more to Grace Lutheran. The cost of everything has gone up in the last few years and it is the same for the church. Giving the same monetary donation as five years ago has a lesser value than it does today.

I invited you to give time to the Spirit to speak to you about the importance of Grace Lutheran in your life. "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." (1Peter 4:10)

Minutes of the Grace Lutheran Council Meeting on Thursday, June 8th, 2023

The Grace Lutheran Church Council meeting was held on Thursday, June 8th, 2023 at 6 pm with Mark Briley Presiding. Also present was LeRoy Bullis, Travis Schulz, Dylan Jordan, Steve Schlenner, Marian Raml, Kelly Evjen, Sherry Jongeling, Ted Frost, Rhonda Lorenz and Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett, Josh Casper, and Kat Anderson. Absent were Gena Urevig, Adam Wientjes, Lindsey Moeller, Kayla Mohling and Terra Koistinen. The meeting began with scripture and prayer by Pastor Cheryl.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Rhonda Lorenz and seconded by Kelly Evjen. Motion carried. A motion to approve the minutes for the May 11th, 2023 meeting was made by Marian Raml and seconded by Ted Frost. Motion carried.

Items:

Financial Report – Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett reported some of the financial report highlights from Kat Anderson. The Reconciled General Account had a starting balance of \$9,088.79. With an income of \$21,613.86. With expenses of \$24,502.92. Making the month-end bank account balance \$6199.72. The total expenses paid totaled \$24502.92 The church lawnmower went in for the yearly maintenance costing \$443.57. Light bulbs for the projectors were bought for \$269.36. The subscription for Sundays & Seasons was renewed for the church year costing \$638.17. Darlene Bresson reported that \$2000 has been donated to the church from fruit sales. A motion to accept the financial report and pay the bills was made by Dylan Jordan and seconded by Rhonda Lorenz. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report –Pastor Cheryl Rondeau-Bassett continues to visit care centers and assisted living homes. We had 3 baptisms, 2 funerals, and many other activities. She talked about many of the activities going on at church. Including the Law Enforcement/First Responders Luncheon and Preschool Graduation.

Old Business:

Ukraine Refuge Sponsorship – The family of Igor has been getting settled in. The kids started school. Vasyl, the single young man, is here and living with Pastor Cheryl in Wilmot. He got a job at Valley Queen Cheese in Milbank. We are getting letters from multiple companies including Valley Queen Cheese, and Terex pledging support. There was a welcome dinner for all the refugees, that went well.

140th Celebration (Sept. 16th & 17th 2023) – Meeting on May 21 between services. They are currently exploring advertisement and food options. Also working on the Quilt.

Constitution Update – Mark reported that We are waiting on the Final approval process. The next step will be congregational approval.

Utilization of Choir/Multipurpose Room – Mack Concrete confirmed they will accept the job. LeRoy Bullis estimates that the lighting project will be around \$2,500. There is funding from GLCW and private donations that would be able to take care of the lighting.

New Business:

Preschool – Resignation Letter, Employee Handbook, Hiring, Etc.- Kelly Evjen reported that Dannielle Dobber-puhl provided a letter resigning as the preschool teacher. Kelly Evjen made a motion to recognize/accept the resignation letter. Seconded by Marian Raml, motion carried. Kelly also reported that she and Kat worked together to update the procedures and handbook for the preschool--Kat worked hard and did a great job writing it up (council members agreed). They also made a letter of call to begin trying to find a teacher for the fall.

Church on the Street---- This is coming up the second week of July (July 8th). If you would like to go, please contact the church office.

After discussion and time (months) for council members to research; and a month to receive congregational input. A motion was made by Dylan Jordan to hang a flyer up on the bulletin board with info from the group "Life Defense Fund's" "Decline To Sign" campaign. Seconded My Marian Raml. Motion carried by unanimous vote

Surplus-- It got noticed we have many extra chairs and older tables. A motion was made by Rhonda Lorenz to declare them surplus. So the church can try to sell them. The motion was seconded by Kelly Evjen. Motion Carried.

Kayla Mohling resignation-- Marian Raml reported that Kayla Mohling is stepping down from the council. She read/gave copies of her resignation letter Kayla provided for the council. A motion was made by Dylan Jordan to acknowledge and accept the resignation letter, it was seconded by Ted Frost. Motion Carried. Mark and Dylan said they would get in contact with the nominating committee as well.

Committee Reports:

Education, Youth, & Family – Dylan reported that the Education committee met. We are in the middle of planning next year's school year. Josh has been working on multiple activities for youth and family. Including VBS, youth group, and family activities.

Foundation -

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Grace Lutheran Financial Report

Contribution Report

Posted Contributions For Period: 01/01/2023 to 05/31/2023

				May	Year-to-Date
Fund	Description	١			Amount
1	General Fu	nd		17,098.41	87,049.35
3	Christmas :	Supper		-	30.00
5	Initial Enve	lope		5.00	277.00
7	Lent			-	2,437.00
8	Easter			-	710.00
10	Christmas			-	57.00
11	Building Ma	aintenance	Donation	-	50.00
12	Missionary	Sponsorsh	ip	15.00	30.00
13	World Hung	ger		172.00	724.00
17	Altar Flowe	rs		160.00	1,005.00
18	Radio Broa	dcast		160.00	1,355.00
20	Misc. Gene	ral Fund		40.00	8,065.00
21	Loose Offe	rings		731.00	2,221.21
26	Lutherans (Outdoors		-	120.00
27	Grace Lutheran Preschool			70.00	290.00
31	Postage Donation			-	5.00
35	Emergency	Assistance	e Fund	130.00	595.00
65	GLCW - No	ordefest Plu	IS	-	5.00
76	REFUGEE			730.00	4,310.00
77	Mission of the Month			20.00	35.00
***	Facility Use Donation			260.00	1,495.00
***	Thrivent Ch	noice Dollar	`S	-	1,722.00
***	Misc Fundr	aising		2524.47	3,787.96
		-		22,115.88	116,375.52

Expense Report							
For Period: 01/01/2023 to 05/31/2023							
			Мау	Year-to- Date	Budget		
Description				Amount			
Benevolence			209.08	836.32	2,508.96		
Payroll			17,736.84	87,787.78	241,041.25		
Office Expenses			1,118.21	5,305.04	18,200.00		
Worship			1,567.56	4,746.01	33,970.00		
Altar Guild			-	185.27	1,100.00		
Education, Stewardship &							
Management			3,004.10	26,936.08	67,100.00		
Property			619.13	6,511.95	13,000.00		
Designated Gifts			248.00	30,366.18			
Total Expenses			24,502.92	162,674.63			

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	Reconciled Account Balance						
•	Beginning Balance	\$	9,088.79				
,	Income	\$	21,613.86				
	Expenses(General)	\$	(24,502.92)				
ļ	Ending Balance 5/31/23	\$	6,199.73				

The next Grace Council meeting is 6:00 pm Thursday, July 13

You are always welcome to come in to the office or call to review or discuss our church budget. Thank you, Kat 605-886-5737

"Keepers of the Kingdom" VBS mornings July 24th-28th

Grab your armor and your trusty steed and get ready for a medieval time at *Keepers of the Kingdom!* based on Ephesians 6:10–18 during the 9:30 am to 12 Noon sessions July 24th to 28th VBS at Grace Lutheran Church.

Children learn how they can be part of God's kingdom through salvation in his Son. And they will be equipped with the armor of God as they train to become Keepers of the Kingdom who stand strong in the battle for truth!

But we are not meant to fight this battle alone! God, the ruler of the good kingdom, has given his kingdom keepers spiritual armor to wear.

Hear ye, hear ye!

Welcome, Keepers of the Kingdom - We are engaged in an epic battle between two spiritual kingdoms for the hearts and minds of our youth. Every day, our kids are bombarded with lies about who they are and where their salvation comes from. Huzzah!

You can still register your children by for this fun and exciting time of learning about the Armor of God. A registration form is at the church office or go online and complete the form. Please return it as soon as possible. Friends are always welcome at Grace Lutheran Church—202 2nd St SE, Watertown, SD

COUNCIL (continued from pg 3)

Fellowship & Outreach – An ice cream social is in the works for August.

Finance & Stewardship – Sherry reported they are working on a letter to be mailed out this month. They are discussing multiple ideas for fundraisers, we are looking for volunteers for helping for unloading the fruit truck. We are working on a sign-up sheet/volunteers to have 2 people around for counting offerings after church. We are going to focus on selling SCRIPT after church. If you are interested in helping, please contact the church office.

Mission – Marian Reported that the theme for the fundraising is personal hygiene for this coming month. Products to be donated to the refugees.

Property – A quote is being written for the Balcony Railing project. Monday LeRoy Bullis is meeting to get a quote from a parking lot pavement company.

Executive – Approval to create a Venmo account for Grace Church and Preschool.

Safety – All is well.

Worship & Music- New music is coming for the praise team.

Dylan Jordan motioned to adjourn the meeting, Ted Frost seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Dylan Cole Jordan

Your financial support is important to continue the Mission and Ministry of Grace Lutheran Church.

Thank you for increasing your giving as our expenses have increased.

Fruit Lovers Can Still Order!

Due to unseasonable weather, the blueberries were not ready as expected and so the fruit order has been delayed. There is still time to order fresh fruit for delivery mid-July. Orders need to be in by July 8th on Apricots, Blueberries, Dark Sweet Cherries and Rainier Cherries. Shipping will be around July 16th. To order, email gracefruit22@gmail.com or call Darlene before June 8th. You can now order 1/2 orders too if a full one is too much.

Fruit	Weight	Price		
Apricots	20#	\$	\$40.00	Volunteer helpers will be needed
Blueberries	10#	\$48.00 ((12 pints)	to unload the truck. Call Darlene
Blueberries	½ flat	\$27.00 (6 pints)	to put your name on the list.
Blueberries	1 pint	\$5.00	, -	605-421-1258
Dark Sweet Cherries	18#	\$	\$75.00	
Rainier Cherries	15#	9	\$100.00	

Proceeds from Watertown Fruit by Grace go to the General Fund of Grace Lutheran Church. Please consider support Grace Lutheran through ordering fresh fruits or purchasing dried fruits, nuts, and candy anytime at the office. If you are interested in apples in the fall for August or October, let Darlene know.



Trav's Outfitter donates welder boots to Igor Tokariev

Igor Paulovich Tokariev, pictured above right received a pair of welders books from Trav's Outfitter of Watertown to begin his new welding position at Macksteel. The boots were presented compliments of Trav & Shari and organized by Karen Kasperson pictured second to right.

Funding to Renovate Choir Room To a Multipurpose Room

Funds have been received to fill in the pit and update the lighting of the choir room to renovate it as a multipurpose room, but additional funds are need for finishing work and carpeting. If you would like to donate to this project, you can make a designated offering to the Multipurpose Room Fund in your offering envelop or online at glcwtn.org/ give and select from the list or stop at the office.

To See the picture of this newsletter in color, Go to glcwtn.org and look for the Gleanings under Resources or on our Facebook page.

June 3, 2023

Sandra Reid

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Michael Hanks



Mission of the Month: Personal and Household Hygiene

The July Mission of the Month from the Missions Committee is Personal and Household Hygiene Items for the 4 Ukraine Families Grace Lutheran Church is sponsoring. These are necessary items we all purchase for our families: toothpaste, bar soap, laundry Detergent, Fabric Softener, Dish Soap, hand soap, mouth wash, shampoo and conditioner, toilet paper, and paper towels. Any cleaning supplies and rags are welcomed also. Thank you for your support to our Families.

Mission Trip to Church on the Street July 8th

Grace youth and families will make their annual mission trip to Church on the Street on Saturday, July 8th in Sioux Falls. We encourage all members, young and old to travel with us on this mission close to home where we worship together and offer a meal. Worship service begins at 11AM at Heritage Park (600 E. 7th Street). Fellowship continues after the worship service, until around 11:45.

Volunteers should be at the park by 10:00AM to help set up and prepare for worship and stay for clean-up until around 1:30 PM.

Grace Lutheran (Watertown) is responsible for bringing chips/salty snacks, dessert, and napkins for 200 people. If anyone would like to donate any of those, please sign up and have to the church by July 7th.

Please remember that people are VERY HUNGRY - this will be the only meal some people eat for the day! For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty, and

Grace Lutheran's portion of the meal is to provide: chips/salty snacks, dessert, and napkins for 200 people.

We are calling on our cookie mission to help make 400 cookies to take as dessert Please sign up and have your cookies to Grace by July 7th! you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in. Church on the Street has been living out Matthew 25:35. We thank you for living it out too.

During the month of June, we will collect dona-

tions for Church on the Street, Food items of Protein bars, peanut butter, jelly, bags or boxes of cereal, instant potatoes, pancake mis, pancake syrup, white rice and cans of soup; and quarters of case for Laundry with Love to be taken with on this mission trip in July.



Ryan Biller pictured above kneeling in the middle donated a penny a mile while trucking in June asking other truckers to do the same as part of the Harper's Hero's fund-raising. Ryan is pictured with Chris, Kelly, Harper, and Aiden Evjen, and wife Denise at far right.

A HUGE Thank

"Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Benefit for Harper Evjen, which was a huge success!! It was wonderful to see our community come together and support this beautiful young girl for her journey ahead. Many prayers for Harper and her family for a successful surgery and recovery. God Bless."

Summer Bible Study continues Wednesdays

Summer Bible Study continues in July on Wednesday evening at 7 pm with a study created by Ray Vander Laan entitled "Death and Resurrection of the Messiah." Historian and teacher Ray Vander Laan teaches how confronting evil can be loudly proclaiming the name of Jesus or quietly caring for someone in need. Each study focuses on passages of Scripture along with video filmed on location in and around the Holy Lands. The study contains 30 personal Bible studies to complete betweensession with questions for reflection and ten group discussion meeting to be held at 7 pm on Wednesday evening during the Summer.

The ten session include: When Storms Come; Piercing the Darkness; Gates of Hell—Caesarea; City of the Great King (2 parts); The Lamb of God; The Weight of the World; Roll Away the Stone; Power to the People; and Total Commitment. To sign up, contact Pastor Cheryl

LWR July NEEDS: Baby care kit: Diapers: t-shirts or flannel. T-shirts can be any color and writing on it is ok. Flannel should be white or light colored. Personal Care Kit: Adult size tooth-brush, sturdy comb, or finger nail clippers.

Nordefest Plus 2023 - October 28th

Nordefest Plus 2023 might seem a way off, but the event committee has begun its planning. We are talking about a few additions to our offerings looking perhaps at food from other cultures such as Mexican and perhaps Ukrainian. We are happy to accept any and all suggestions for the 2023 event.

In addition to considering some additions to the event, we are beginning our planning by reaching out to individuals to spearhead some of the preparations for the event. We are looking for people willing to take on the organization and planning for such things as Flatbrod, Rosettes, kitchen preparations, doughnuts, just to name a few. We have a lot of very dedicated people who show up each year to help us, but we could always use more. If we do not find enough people to help prepare and host the event, we are concerned how much longer we will be able to offer it here at Grace.

Please consider helping so we can continue to make the event a special one for Grace and for the surrounding community. Contact Geri Moher, Carol Hendrix, or Kris DeWitt if you are able and interested in helping.

When you can not attend church but with to be good stewards, Simply Giving can help!

AUTHORIZATION FORM

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Time is running our to make your Quilt Block in for the Special 140th Anniversary Commemorative Grace Lutheran Quilt

To commemorate the 140th anniversary of Grace Lutheran Church in September, the congregation is invited to help make a special quilt! This beautiful quilt will be approximately 60" X 80" and made of 7 1/2" blocks. You are asked to take on of these blank quilt block and designing it with something to memorialize your family and Grace Lutheran. (See Samples displayed on this page.)

Each family can take 1 block to create a design in whatever way you wish





Memorials and Gifts

To Preschool: From Fran Schaefer as memorial for Millie Brinkman, Romara Spartz, Margaret Hanson, Dale Tesch.

To One Roof Emergency Assistance: From Bonnie Oketzke; From Dee Haugan.

To Multi-Purpose Room: A donation from an anonymous giver.

To the Flower Fund: From Kris DeWitt in memory of her parents, Edward and Racheal Westgard; From Sherry & Gary Jongeling in honor of Phyllis Jongelings' 100th Birthday; From Steven & JoAnn Spartz in honor of their fathers: Bernard Spartz & Roger Wittrock; From Elton & Darlene Bresson in memory of Elton's brother, Curt, who passed away on June 9th.

To the Radio Fund: From Sherry & Gary Jongeling in honor of Phyllis Jongelings' 100th Birthday; From the Schmeling Radio Fund in loving memory of Roy & Doris Schmeling; From Elton & Darlene Bresson in memory of Elton's brother, Curt, who passed away on June 9th.

To the Ukraine Sponsor Fund: From Butler Lutheran; From the Kjornes Family; From Paul and Laura Atwood; From an anonymous giver. Gift Card From Sharon Goble; Gift Card from Dee Haugan;

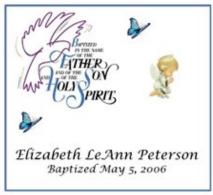
To General Fund: From John Sangl; From Millie Brinkman family; From Sew Day, Kris DeWitt.; A memorial for Millie Brinkman from Janice Knutson; A memorial for Judy Everson from Dee Haugan; A memorial for Evelyn Quade from Dee Haugan; a memorial for Judy Everson from Dorothy Schooley, "with much gratefulness for the wonderful rain."

To Grace Foundation: A Memorial for Millie Brinkman from AJ and Marlin Sherill.

To Nordefest/Grandma's Attic: From Sherry Star

To Harper's Hero's: From Steve Schlenner





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resents you, your family, your faith journey or whatever you decide. Blocks are available in the church office.

When finished, return to Darlene Bresson (or the church office) no later than August 13th so it can be sewn together and displayed for the 140th celebration in Grace Lutheran September 16-17.



QUILTERS ARE WANTED!

The Dorcas quilters invite you to join them in making quilts and fellowship on Monday afternoon from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. Quilt are given to Lutheran World Relief and for local needs. If you don't sew, there are a variety of things to help with from tying to cutting to just time together.

Please feel free to join in this important ministry of Grace Lutheran.

(They have delicious snacks too.)

Quilting—Where Grace is experienced daily.

Grace Lutheran Church

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July 2023

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31 1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters 5:30 pm BANQUET		24 1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters 5:30 pm BANQUET	17 1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quilters 9 5:30 pm BANQUET	10 1 – 4 pm Dorcus Quitters 9 5:30 pm BANQUET	3 2 pm Funeral Service for Judy Everson NO BANQUET	On Wednesdar me to Contact Pasto	Monday	
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	28 th 9:30 am to 12 Noon	26 11:00 TOPS/ Basement 6 pm Midweek Worship Service 6:30 pm Youth Group Meets 7 pm Bible Study	19 10 am Service at Town View 10:30 am Service at Jenkins 11:00 TOPS/ Basement 6 pm Midweek Worship Service w/Holy Communion 6:30 pm Youth Group Meets 7 pm Bible Study	12 10 am Service at Hi Rise 11:00 TOPS/Basement 5 pm Grace Executive Committee 6 pm Midweek Worship service 6:30 pm Youth Group Meets 7 pm Bible Study	5 10:30 am Service at Avantara 11:00 TOPS/Basement 11:00 TOPS/Basement NO Midweek service NO Youth Group Meets NO Bible Study NO Grace Executive Committee	Pastor Cheryl Office Hours at Grace On Wednesdays with various Tuesday's and Thursday's — Call prior to check You are welcome to Contact Pastor directly anytime at 605-237-1501 or E-mail: cherylgracelc@midconetwork.com	Wednesday	
		27	20 9:30 am Elizabeth Circle	13 10:00 am Service at Stoneybrook 5pm Finance and Stewardship committee 6 pm Grace Council meeting	o,	o check racelc@midconetwork.com	Thursday	
		28 OFFICE CLOSED	21 OFFICE CLOSED	OFFICE CLOSED LOCK-IN Middle School: 7 pm to 10 pm 7th thru 12th 10 pm to 7 am	7 OFFICE CLOSED	F	Friday	
		29	22	15 Gleanings Deadline	8 Mission Trip to Church on the Street Leave at 8 am. Pastor Cheryl Off for her Mom's funeral	peri	Saturday	

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Please Expedite - Time Dated Material

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Summer Worship Schedule —Sunday Worship Service at 8:30 am. Wednesday at 6 pm

Important Upcoming Dates

July 5th—No evening activities
July 8—Mission Trip to Church on the Street in
Sioux Falls for Youth and all members. Leave
at 8 am from the church parking lot.
July 14—7 to 10 pm Middle school Lock-in
10 pm to 7 am Lock-in for grades 7th thru 12th
July 16th—Fruit Truck will deliver fruit
July 17th-18th approximately: Fruit pick-up
July 24-28—Vacation Bible School at Grace Lutheran 9:30 am to Noon
August 30th—6 pm Confirmation begins.
September 16th—17th: 140th Anniversary Celebration of Grace Lutheran Church.

NOTICE—Grace Youth!

Come have fun at the summer Lock-ins
Friday—July 14th
7 pm to 10 pm is for Middle School children
10 pm to 7 am Saturday morning
7th thru 12th grades will gather.



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Keisha Payne, left, and Aspen Brown, right, attended the Faith and Family Night at the Canaries game in Sioux Falls with Pastor Cheryl June 14th.

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