

Grace's Mountain View

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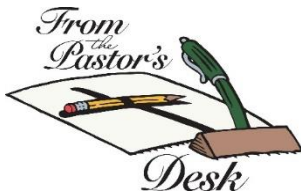
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REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS

Quilters.....Thursday.....9:30 A.M.
 Fellowship/Game Day...Wednesdays...1:30 A.M.
 Confirmation.....Wednesdays...6:30 P.M.
 Bible Study.....Thursdays...10:30 A.M.
 Church Council.....3rd Tuesday...6:30 P.M

GRACE LUTHERAN SALAD LUNCHEON will be held Friday, October 8th. If you are willing to help, bring a salad or help during the salad luncheon, please talk with Lillian Nybo or write your name on the sign-up board which can be found in the narthex. Thank You!





October 2021

Thanks to everyone who helped on God's Work, Our Hands Sunday. We packed 57 "Blizzard Bags" for recipients of Meals on Wheels. That two meal supply of food is available if bad weather prevents the delivery of their hot lunch. Merle and Roxanne Engum, members at Grace are two of the faithful drivers who make the rounds. Thanks to them for being a blessing to the elderly of this community!

Thanks to everyone who helped with the rummage sale. Not only is it a fund-raiser, but it is good stewardship to reuse items that others no longer want...part of that effort to reduce...reuse and recycle!

Confirmation has started.... this is the year we focus on the Catechism, helping the students to understand what we say, how we understand it and "what does this mean?" This is most certainly true! I am glad to we are able to be together in class and hope that continues and that our community stays healthy.

Quilters are gathering this coming Thursday to make a dent in the pile of quilt tops that have been collecting for the last 18 months. If you have never quilted, come and check it out! There are jobs available for beginners, it's a wonderful ministry and a great bunch of people.... they are all "Piece-makers!" If you have fabric to donate, it will go for a good cause. We are thankful for the three tubs full of fabric that Terry Bowers dropped off about a month ago. In quilting terms, it is a beautiful "stash!"

Thanks to the folks who will be helping out with the salad luncheon on October 8. Part of the proceeds will be added to the money we collect during the noisy offering and will fund the Backpack Project which is a way of sending home food for the weekend for the students who are so dependent upon the school lunch program for regular meals.

We will be sending support to Lutheran Disaster Response to help out folks affected by the fires, floods and hurricanes that have been so devastating in parts of our country. LDR provided long-term help in the Red River Valley after the flooding we experienced in the late 90's and likely will be available to help with the droughts now being endured. Continue to pray for those who suffer from inclement weather and give as you are able to provide relief to them. Thank you for your care and support!

God's blessings to each of you! Enjoy the change of weather and the beauty of the fall colors. We pray for a safe harvest and a productive school year!

See you in church! *Pastor Ann*

September has been a busy month for Grace. We are still in the recovery mode from the Covid pandemic and thanks to all of you folks in the congregation, and by the grace of God, we are starting to come out of the slump.

In September we have had the Rummage sale. All items that were not sold were donated to Boys and Girls Club Store and to The Seventh Day Adventist Thrift Store. We also donated to an individual who took clothing to the homeless shelters in the Twin Cities. We also have done God's Work, Our Hands during which we took donations of food and made Blizzard Bags that the Meals on Wheels folks distribute to those that they serve. These are given in case the clients cannot be reached during inclement weather. Next event will be the infamous Grace Salad Luncheon on October 8th. We are looking forward to seeing our friends in the community again. Good food, and wonderful fellowship is always on the menu. October 10th will be Appreciation Sunday. Delicious Pulled Pork, baked beans and other treats will be served. At this time, we will be dedicating the many improvements that have been made to update our facility thanks to donations and hard work made by our parishioners.

In partnership with Trinity Lutheran (we furnish the facility due to theirs being under construction) an annual coat drive on October 2.

Also, our Game Day is back on Wednesdays and we hope that all will come and enjoy fellowship.

So, as you can see, we are busy again and we sure can use your help to keep our activities going. Remember, this is your church and you may utilize it for your own activities. All you do is talk to Glennis and she will schedule. She holds the calendar and is the only one who can schedule for you. We remain hopeful that GOD will keep us safe from this Covid and will give us all strength and courage to press on and continue the mission that GOD has asked of us.

God's blessings to all! Lillian Nybo, council president.

CHURCH MEETINGS

(UNAPPROVED) COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS August 10, 2021)

- † Meeting was called to order by President Lillian Nybo.
- † Devotions given by Glennis Olson
- † Correspondence was read and discussed.
- † Ranae Sexton was present to discuss the purchase of the oven she has made in memory of Roger Sexton. The wiring installation will be done by Mark's Electric.
- † Secretary report approved as read.
- † **Finance report** approved as printed.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 19th at 6:30 P.M.

CHRISTIAN ED. COMMITTEE

The Christian Education Committee will meet Tuesday, October 19th at 5:45 P.M.

August Total Income	\$7,984.75
August Total Expenses	\$14,350.72
Checkbook Balance 8/31/2021	\$466.33
Rainy Day Fund	\$17,985.65
Mission Investment Fund	\$1,167.48
Savings Balance	\$12,587.37
Mortgage Balance	151,133.88

August monthly donation will be given to Teach Haiti. A donation of \$100 will be given to Luther Seminary for Pastor's Recognition Sunday in October. A donation of \$5,000 was applied to the principal of the mortgage loan. A donation of \$3,043.35 was placed in the Rainy Day Fund.

† PROPERTY---The coffee maker has been repaired thanks to Jerry Schwoboda and Gerry Nybo. Blace Schmidt has sprayed for weeds. Gerry has been watering the garden.

† EDUCATION/YOUTH---The Fair Booth was another success this year. The quilt was won by Sue Berg. Blessing of backpacks is set for September 12. Sunday school begins September 12th. Confirmation begins September 15th. Consideration is given to conducting youth activities including Sunday School on Wednesday night.

† STEWARDSHIP/BENEVOLENCE---Very limited response to the stewardship letter that was sent out to members. Discussion was held about revamping serving units. No decision taken.

† EVANGELISM/OUTREACH---Ice Cream Social will be held on August 25th.

† WORSHIP---God's Work....Our hands will be on September 12th. Blizzard bags will be assembled as our project after coffee/fellowship.

† OLD BUSINESS---Rummage Sale will be held September 10-11. Grace will be serving a lunch for the Northwest Minnesota Synod on October 16th. Help will be needed!



LOOK WHO'S TURNING 90!

Clarice Anderson will be celebrating her 90th birthday on Saturday, October 30th! An open house will be held at Grace on Saturday, October 30th from 1:00-5:00 P.M. Her family invites her church friends, friends, and family to help her celebrate!

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Stowman, secretary

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR OCTOBER

DATE	PSALM	LESSONS	GOSPEL
October 3, 2021	Psalm 8	Genesis 2:18-24 Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12	Mark 10:2-16
October 10, 2021	Psalm 90:12-17	Amos 5:6-7. 10-15 Hebrews 4:12-16	Mark 10:17-31
October 17, 2021	Psalm 91:9-16	Isaiah 53:4-12 Hebrews 5:1-10	Mark 10:35-45
October 24, 2021	Psalm 126	Jeremiah 31:7-9 Hebrews 7:23-28	Mark 10:46-52
October 31, 2021	Psalm 46	Jeremiah 31:31-34 Romans 3:19-28	John 8:31-36

NURSING HOME MINISTRY:

Don't forget our members in Nursing Homes and Care Facilities.

Oak Crossing 1040 Lincoln Ave. Detroit Lakes--- **Audrey Ronning**

Fraze Assisted Living 219 West Maple Ave. Fraze--- **Wilma Leitheiser**



THANK YOU to Kevin Erickson who has been mowing the church lawn.

THANKS to all those who helped with the Rummage Sale. A **BIG** Thank you to Gale LaFerriere who chaired the event.

THANK YOU to those members who brought items for our blizzard bags which were given to the Meals on Wheels program. Thanks also to those members who stayed following the worship service and helped assemble them. 57 bags were assembled.

IN MEMORY OF	FUND	GIVEN BY	DATE
Norma Johnson	Undesignated	Gary & Dona Rosell	Sept. 19, 2021

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL

* Sunday School has begun for the 2021-2022 year. We welcome all students from preschool (4 years) to 6th grade. *Registration is still open!*

* Sunday School is held from 10:00 A.M. until 10:45 A.M. Students and parents are encouraged to attend worship service at which time the students will be excused to attend Sunday School.

*Dates to put on your calendar:

Oct. 3rd We will hopefully be going to Janu's Pumpkin Patch.

Oct. 17th Third graders will receive their Bible

Dec. 1st We will be decorating the church for Christmas.

Dec. 5th The Advent Store will be open for business. This is the time students are able to purchase Christmas gifts for family members.

Dec. 12th is the S.S. Christmas program.

April 14, 2022 5th graders will receive First Communion during Maundy Thursday worship service.

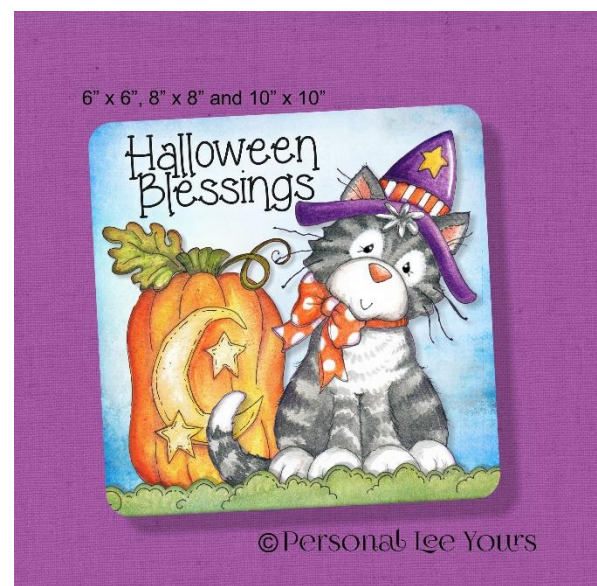
CONFIRMATION

* Confirmation class began on Wednesday, September 15th. Confirmation class begins at 6:30 P.M. and runs until 7:30 P.M.

* Any student in grades 7-9 are welcome to join Confirmation class. Contact Pastor Ann or the church office. (218-847-4568)

* Confirmation for 2 students will be held on October 31st.

* May 1, 2021 There will be a spring confirmation held.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



October 3

Alfred Honer Jr.

October 4

Sonia Anderson
Ranae Sexton

October 11

Wilma Leitheiser

October 14

Harmony Sims

October 17

Shirley Gulden
Myrna Schmidt
Connie Skersick
Violet Stull

October 20

Kathy Coyle

October 22

Rebecca Honer
Karen Jones
Nicole Leitheiser

October 30

Clarice Anderson

October 31

Wally Shodean

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES



October 7

Bill & Anita Hill

October 8

Nick & Becky Honer

October 13

Aaron & Sara Nelson

October 23

Keith & Merry Lee Linden

October 24

Blair & Kelly Westrum

IT'S A GRACE THING!

**God Bless You
On your
Anniversary**

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed here, PLEASE let us know so that we can add your birthdays and/or anniversaries into our computer. Thank you.



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Church Worship Service 9:30 A.M.

Sunday School---Sept - May 10:00 A.M.

Adult Ed. Opportunities--- Year-round

Office Hours 9:00 till Noon M – F

*“Come and join us in growing into God’s
amazing Grace.”*

EXPERIENCE GRACE AT GRACE

Grace Lutheran Church...a place to belong



Vision Statement---Grace Lutheran Church seeks to be a serving and witnessing people of God, united to share the Gospel with all. Through the Holy Spirit, we respond by reaching out with concern and support to the varied needs of a diverse people.



THANK YOU/APPRECIATION SUNDAY will be held Sunday, October 10th during the worship service. We will be dedicating the new windows, new stove, and the new paint job in the sanctuary and thanking all those who have donated their time to work on these projects, donated monies for the windows and stove, and to all those who have donated memorials to these various projects.

It is also *Pastor Appreciation Sunday*. We will be making a donation to Luther Seminary in Pastor Ann’s honor. Around 11:00 A.M., following Sunday School, the council will serve a “thank you” lunch! Following the worship service, the council will serve a “thank you” pulled pork lunch made by our own renowned chef Jeff Leitheiser! Everyone is invited to enjoy the meal as a thank you for your generosity and dedication to Grace Lutheran Church.



SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE AT 9:30 A.M.

COME JOIN US...YOU ARE INVITED