

# Grace's Mountain View

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**REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS**

Quilters.....resumes in the Fall  
 Church Council.....3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday...6:30 P.M



***MAKING GOALS!!!***  
**GOD'S WORK...OUR HANDS SUNDAY**  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY**

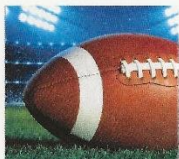


September 11, 2022  
 Grace Lutheran Church

**GAME PLAN**



- \* *"Kickoff"* will begin with a Worship Service!
- \* Following worship, the *"goal"* will be the assembling of Blizzard Bags and Birthday Bags
- \* *"Tailgate party"* with delicious pulled pork sandwiches grilled and provided by Jeff & Linda Leitheiser. *(Thanks for donating the pork, Jeff & Linda!)*
  - There will be hotdogs for the children donated by Mace Family. *(Thanks for donating the hotdogs, Dennis & Tracy!)*
  - The rest of the meal will be provided by the *"Special teams"* (church members)
- \* The final *"touchdown"* will be dessert--*(Thanks for donating, Glennis!)* ice cream Sundaes with choice of toppings.
- \* There might even be an *"overtime"* with games to play!





September 2022

College students are back in class, only two more weeks before DL is back in session; September IS the beginning of the new year for congregations and schools! We celebrate God's Work, Our Hands on September 11 by filling Blizzard Bags and Birthday Bags, starting Sunday School, blessing backpacks and enjoying lunch together following worship. If there are leftovers from the Salad luncheon, we will enjoy that as part of the meal too.

Thanks to all who are contributing their time and talent! Invite your friends, neighbors and family to be a part of worshipping and working together here at Grace. If there are activities you would like to have offered, such as Bible study, let me know when and where would work best and we will encourage others to join in. Quilting should be starting soon, as should Game Day, so be watching for announcements.

I hope you have been able to be refreshed and reenergized by time off this summer. This has been a tough summer for our extended family and for Robb and me. It seems that funerals come in bunches and we have had our share...some expected and one in particular, a huge surprise. We have witnessed love and support as they should happen, but know that grief is extremely hard work and that it can take one by surprise in both intensity and timing.

If you remember THE VICAR OF DIBLY from PBS, the opening scene is accompanied by a lovely rendition of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm which you can find online.... I listened to that often this summer. The comforting words of the psalm are even better with the beautiful music (and it brings back memories of Libby singing along at the end of the show when she was in elementary school.)

Enjoy your Labor Day weekend and the changes that Fall brings. Check the church garden and help yourself to produce and thanks to everyone who helped keep it watered and weeded.

See you at worship!

Blessings, *Pastor Ann*

When is the last time you invited someone to attend worship with you at Grace Lutheran? Statistically Lutheran's are the least likely religion to do so. But on the homepage of our website, it states "We are a welcoming, friendly congregation with a heart for reaching out to our community and the world with the love of Christ."

Do you feel this verbiage rings true? If not, how can we do better? I recently attended the Northwestern Minnesota Synod Summer Road Trip at Trinity Lutheran and left with the feelings of invigoration and hope. There are exciting things happening in the ELCA to help revive small congregations. But we as a congregation need to be united and excited about our future.

In a world full of division, we need to look past the north of the tracks, south of the tracks, red or blue, rich or poor and focus on the fact we are all children of God. Together let's share that love of Christ and pledge to each invite one guest to worship in the month of September.

The Bishop also shared a story on stewardship and tithing that resonated deep. Over the past few months, I have shared with you our financial situation in hopes that together we can continue to worship on the hill. Matthew 6:21 reads; "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Is your heart at Grace Lutheran?

We have celebrated baptisms, birthdays, confirmations, holidays, marriages and eulogized loved ones together at Grace. We are family. Let's reach out to those in our church family we haven't seen recently. Let's invite them back and join us for worship and coffee fellowship. Let's live up to the words we publish. Let's be friendly, inviting and welcoming.

Let's be better.

*Jim Brogren*      **Council President**

# CHURCH MEETINGS

## CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 16, 2022, at 6:30 P.M.  
*Lillian Nybo has devotions and treats.*



## (APPROVED) COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS August 16th meeting)

- † Meeting was called to order by President Jim Brogren
- † Devotions given by Michelle Pary.
- † Correspondence was read and discussed. Financial help was asked from Lutheran Disaster relief and Lutheran Seminary. Discussion of these was tabled.
- † Pastor's Report
- † Secretary report approved as printed.
- † **Finance report** approved as printed.

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Total Income                | \$8,738.03   |
| Total Expenses              | \$8,202.45   |
| Checkbook Balance 6/30/2022 | \$452.87     |
| Rainy Day Fund              | \$7,507.96   |
| Mission Investment Fund     | \$1,198.14   |
| Savings Balance             | \$5,740.19   |
| Mortgage Balance            | \$141,833.79 |

The stewardship letter that was sent out with statements had little or no response from the congregation.

† **PROPERTY**---Discussion was held regarding getting bids for the electrical work to hook up two furnaces in narthex as well as the A/C on the new furnace in the Fellowship Hall. Gerry will check out on bids.

† **EDUCATION**---Sunday School Rally Day is on Sept. 11, 2022. This is also God's Work...Our Hands Sunday when we will assemble blizzard bags and birthday bags which will be donated to Meals on Wheels and Mary's Place.. A pulled pork sandwich luncheon meal will be served following the assembling of bags. Jeff and Linda Leitheiser will donate the meat and Traci Mace will donate hotdogs for the kids. Corrections on Fair Booth: Kim & Shane Renner donated \$50 for the fair booth, the Mace family donated a pool, and several people donated money for ice cream cones.

† **STEWARDSHIP**---All Noisy Offerings for months of July, August, and September will be given to the Backpack Program.

† **NEW BUSINESS**--- More copies of Christ in Home devotional booklets will be ordered as we are running out early in each month.

Salad Luncheon is scheduled for Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 A.M.-1:30 P.M. A quilt from our Quilters will be raffled off. 10% of profits will be donated to the Becker County Food Pantry.

Motion was made to close out the safety deposit box at the bank due to the increase in cost.

The Fall Bazaar is scheduled for November 19<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M. More details will be coming.

Meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting will be held Tuesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M. Christian Education will meet at 5:30 P.M.

*God's Work...Our Hands/Sunday School Rally Day  
September 11, 2022*



# SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER

| DATE               | PSALM         | LESSONS                               | GOSPEL        |
|--------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| September 4, 2022  | Psalm 1       | Deuteronomy 30:15-20<br>Philemon 1-21 | Luke 14:25-33 |
| September 11, 2022 | Psalm 51:1-10 | Exodus 32:7-14<br>1 Timothy 1:12-17   | Luke 15:1-10  |
| September 18, 2022 | Psalm 113     | Amos 8:4-7<br>1 Timothy 2:1-7         | Luke 16:1-13  |
| September 25, 2022 | Psalm 146     | Amos 6:1a, 4-7<br>1 Timothy 6:6-19    | Luke 16:19-31 |

# SEPTEMBER USHERS, GREETERS, GREETERS--9:30 A.M.

| DATE               | GREETERS                       | USHERS                         | LECTOR                |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| September 4, 2022  | Jerry & Cathy Schwoboda        | Steve Swanson,<br>Karen Jones  | Steve Swanson         |
| September 11, 2022 | Kelli & Matt & Kaitlyn Carrier | Annette Korth,<br>Hunter Korth | Mason & Ethan Carrier |
| September 18, 2022 | Becky Esser & Ava Esser        | Jim Zick<br>Gale LaFerriere    | Gale LaFerriere       |
| September 25, 2022 | Irene Carnegie                 | Kevin & Kathy Erickson         | Ruby Kiihn            |

## NURSING HOME MINISTRY:

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

Oak Crossing-1415 Madison Ave.

**Audrey Ronning #110**

Lincoln Park 207 Park St.

**Wally Shodean #212**  
218-314-7045

Emmanuel Nursing Home---1415 Madison Ave.

**Vern Herman #13**

# SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

## September 4

Shane Renner

## September 8

Karen Bunnis

## September 16

Vivian Wittnebel

## September 21

Andrea Brogren

## September 22

Ethan Endersbe

## September 23

Nick Honer

## September 26

Kelli Carrier

## September 28

Vern Herman

## September 29

Lillian Nybo

# SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

God Bless You  
On your  
Anniversary

## September 1

Ryan & Becky Esser  
Dan & Machelie Krenzel

## September 6

Jim & Clarice Zick

## September 15

Gary & Dona Rosell

## September 21

Dennis & Elaine Forsell

## September 30

Shane & Kim Renner

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.

IT'S A GRACE THING!



United Way of Becker County

## UNITED WAY COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

**Detroit Lakes Pavilion**  
**Thursday, September 22**  
**4:30 to 6:30**

**Free Food & Beverages**  
**Blow Up Games**  
**Rec to Go Games**

**Door Prizes**  
**Face Painting**  
**Hero Vehicles**

**12 Bikes to be Given Away**

**17<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL**

# TASTE OF LUND

**Enjoy Scandinavian Delicacies!**

**SATURDAY – SEPT 24, 2022**  
**STARTING AT 9 A.M.**

Rommegrot, sandbakkels, Swedish almond cake, rosettes, krumkake, jula kaka, flatbrod, kransekake, fruit soup, rice pudding, swedish cream, lefse, crepes, Danish kringels, Vesteland lefse, fattigmann, Swedish pancakes, lutefisk, sandwiches & beverages.

Tickets to sample: 2 for \$1.00.

**BAKE SALE ALSO!**  
**QUILTED ITEMS FOR SALE!**

**LUND LUTHERAN  
CHURCH**  
9 MILES NORTH ON  
RICHWOOD ROAD  
DETROIT LAKES

## BLOCK PARTY CHILI COOK-OFF

On Lake Ave in front of Holy Rosary Church  
Saturday, Sept 10<sup>th</sup> 11am-2pm

### THE DETAILS

**NO ENTRY FEE**  
**Sign up deadline is Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**WE PROVIDE**  
One 8-ft table\* per entry  
\*Specify if you will bring your own table  
Up to 10 lbs of hamburger  
Napkins  
Spoons  
2oz cups for tasting  
Bowls to sell chili (all chili will be sold)

**YOU PROVIDE**  
One 18-qt roaster\* of chili  
\*We can loan a roaster to you if needed  
Serving utensils for chili & condiments  
Condiments to serve with chili (if needed)

**1<sup>st</sup> Annual**

**TIMELINE:**

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| <b>10am</b>    | Registration and Table Decorating Begin         |
| <b>11am</b>    | Judging Begins - Judges' Categories             |
| <b>11am</b>    | Public Tasting Begins                           |
| <b>12:45pm</b> | Start Putting Remaining Chili in Bowls for Sale |
| <b>1:00pm</b>  | Public Tasting Closes                           |
| <b>1:30pm</b>  | Awards Given Out                                |

**Judges Categories Include:**  
Best Unique Chili  
Best of Event Chili

**People's Categories Include:**  
People's Choice Best Chili  
People's Choice Best Theme/Decorations

**Get your family & friends together  
and have a **BLAST!****

Reach out to Jamie at 218-847-1393 with any questions

**Singers Wanted!!**  
for the  
**Lakes Area Chorale**

**HOLLY  
JOLLY  
HOLIDAY  
CONCERT**

**Rehearsals: Sundays from 1:30-3:30**  
**Nov. 6, 13 & 20, and Dec. 4 & 11**  
**At The First Lutheran Church, Detroit Lakes**  
**\$15.00 Registration Fee**

**Concert: December 18, 2022, 4:00 p.m.**  
**Info: lakesareachorale@gmail.com or**  
**218-443-0697**



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**America**

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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 8:00 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*

Grace's MOUNTAIN VIEW

September 2022

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.

**Address Service Requested**



**God's work.**  
**Our hands.**

**Sedptember 9, 2022 SALAD LUNCHEON**

**September 11, 2022 God’s Work...Our Hands Sunday**

Assemble Blizzard & Birthday Bags

Pulled Pork Sandwich furnished by Jeff & Linda Leitheiser

Chips, Salads, Ice Crem Sundaes

*SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE AT 9:30 A.M....COME JOIN US...YOU ARE INVITED*