

# News of Grace

Monthly Newsletter ♦ October 2018

## Grace Lutheran's Purpose Statement

*"We share God's love by welcoming all and making a Christ-like difference in our community and world."*



Julie Troy, Jim Clemens,  
Charles Snyder, Bev Attwell,  
Debbie Anderson, Elfie Jahnke,  
Lorraine Leathead, Gloria  
Moore, Harold & Jean Kissau,  
Jim Malaski, Karen & Walter

Spigelmyre, Dorothy Gentry, Emma Nelson,  
Dorothy Hansen, Brian Gustafson, Baby Samuel,  
Evelyn Smith, Margaret Nosko, Reed Werth, Lyle  
Beck, Mark Jackson, Annette  
Kindt, Patricia Denstaedt, Debbie  
Weir, Scott Coddington, Mimi,  
David Schaedig, Bishop Craig  
Satterlee, Cody Gustin, Dennis  
Diamond.



### **We also remember the families of...**

Marilyn Whitscell, who passed away  
September 9th

Ronald Pankey, who passed away  
September 19th

Our prayer list is redone each month. If you, or  
a family member, would like to continue on the  
prayer list, please call the office (354-2640).

## Grace Lutheran Church Quilters Card/Game Night October 25, 2018



Baked Spud Bar/Ice Cream  
Bar

Quilt Raffle

Doors open at 5 pm ~ Serving at 6 pm  
Limited seating - reservations required  
Call Arlis (356-9583) or Patti (354-5990)



New schedules for  
October 2018-September  
2019 have been  
completed and are  
posted on the bulletin  
board across from the  
Fellowship Hall and on our  
website at  
[www.gracelutheran-  
alpena.org](http://www.gracelutheran-alpena.org). Copies are also available to be  
picked up (located next to the bulletin board).

## Upcoming Adult Christian Education Series *The Refugee Crisis*

ELCA Augsburg Fortress has launched a new series entitled "Dialogue On." The intent is to have authentic conversations around difficult topics while learning ways to engage in such conversations peacefully and faithfully. The Learner Book is \$10. The series will begin in October. Please notify the office to order a book by September 30.



## FROM OUR PASTOR

Physical Therapy for my knee recovery has been interesting for what I have learned about how knees and bodies work.

My left knee is not nearly as strong as my right. One exercise I could not do at all well, stepping down one step and then back up. It was obvious how much stronger my right leg was. When I showed the therapist that, she immediately had me go over and do some leg lifts while I was lying on my side. Then back to the steps for the stepping down and back up exercise. All of a sudden I was able to do it much better than before. I had "activated" - her words - my hip muscles with the leg lifts. She had been saying all along how much the hip and knee worked together for stability and range of motion, AND SHE PROVED IT.

Our body parts work together for our bodies movement!

Well that got me thinking how parts of our faith work together for our faith and our living. And particularly where we start our thinking and believing from.

If we start with the belief that God loves us and names us and claims us and calls God's own, then we can rest in that love and use it as source of strength knowing God wants the best for us and will be with us in all life's journeys. If we can trust in that with the Holy Spirit's guidance, then our other parts starting getting activated and work together.

If we are loved by God in our imperfectness, then others are too, in their imperfectness. And we knowing we are loved, and the abundance of God's love, we can help them know God's love too. There is enough to go around. We have what we need. And so others can have what they need too. We can find ways to share that love for all of God's people and creation. We can be the hands for God's work. We can be the parts working together and moving for the kingdom, the reign, of God's love here on earth.

We need to learn about all the parts we have - worship, prayer, grace, love, peace, justice, discipleship, mission work, teaching and learning more, stewardship, forgiveness, redemption, our local church and many more - then learn to use them together, and strengthen them so we are doing all we can for God's work. And realize we are one part of something bigger, the church, the body of Christ, in this world that can make an impact for God's peace and justice and grace here.

May we all learn our parts and strengthening them, use them together for Kingdom work.

Peace

*Pastor Tom*



### Sunday, November 11 Following 9:30 a.m. Worship

#### On the agenda:

Budget Adoption  
Election of Officers

Adoption of Memorial & Gifts Policy

## Foster Fun Day Wrap Up

It is with heartfelt gratitude that we would like to thank the congregation for supporting another successful Foster Fun Day! With the help of Mike Arzo and his amazing staff, we were able to share a fun-filled day with eight children and their foster parents. You don't have to be brilliant, rich, beautiful or perfect to make a difference in someone's life - you just have to care. Thank You for caring!!

The Discipleship Committee

### Service Project



Grace collects food items for the food pantry at Trinity Episcopal. These items include; Tuna & Tuna Helper, Peanut Butter & Jelly, Pancake mix (just add water type) & syrup and elbow macaroni. These items are used to fill emergency food boxes for individuals that are in need of food, due to a number of circumstances. Other non-perishable items may be donated to help fill in the boxes. We collect the donated food items in a basket, outside the church office door.

## Altar Guild



## Additional Help Needed

We are in need of more help for several of our Altar Guild teams. Teams volunteer for one

month of the year. Training is provided. If you would like to volunteer to help the Altar Guild, please contact the church office (354-2640).

## Hospital Visits

If you or a family member is hospitalized and would like a pastoral visit, please call the church office or Pastor Tom directly. The hospital **DOES NOT** notify churches or pastors of admissions **DESPITE** the question you are asked on admission.



## Pictures from Foster Fun Day or Sunday School Rally Weekend?



If you were at Foster Family Fun Day at Arzo's will you please email your pictures to Phran Ludington at [captainphrantastic@yahoo.com](mailto:captainphrantastic@yahoo.com). I, Phran, experienced camera difficulties and didn't capture a lot of photos. I'd like to print some of the photos and add them to the slide show at the CC&S Dinner. Thank you. And remember...the

foster children CANNOT BE IDENTIFIABLE.

If you have **pictures from the Sunday School Kick-Off service**, can you please email them to Phran Ludington at [captainphrantastic@yahoo.com](mailto:captainphrantastic@yahoo.com). These pictures will be added to the pictures I collected. Some will be printed and then added to the slide show at the CC&S dinner.

## Lutheran World Relief Baby Kits

Discipleship is now collecting items for **Baby Kits for LWR (Lutheran World Relief)**. Tags are on the tree for the items that are needed to make complete kits for the items that are left from previous years. If we collect the items, we will add new tags to start new kits. Please stick to the items on the tags, it has been determined by the folks in the field that people benefit the most from these items. We cannot send anything that is not specific to the items on their list. Please also know items with patriotic symbolism, religious symbolism and camouflage are not accepted. Thank you for aiding those that are less fortunate and living in areas of disaster or conflict, you are helping to "make a difference in our community and world".





# **Driveway Fundraiser Euchre Tournament (for 9<sup>th</sup> Graders through Adults) & Game Night (for All Ages)**

**Friday, October 5, 2018  
Sloppy Joes, Chips & Potluck at 5:30 p.m.  
Games begin at 6:15 p.m.**

Please join us for some fun, fellowship, and a little friendly competition. There will be a Euchre Tournament area as well as an area for those who want to play other games. Please bring whatever games you like to play. Also, please bring a friend. This is a great opportunity to invite others to Grace.

For the Euchre Tournament, everyone will be playing as an individual, so you don't need a partner. We will be playing 6 rounds (each person deals twice in each round). Cost for the tournament will be \$10/person (\$7 for Driveway Fundraiser and \$3 for Gift Certificate Prizes). Prizes will be given for top scores and some random draws too, so all have a chance to win. Please remember to bring some quarters because if you are Euchred, you will have to pay a quarter to the Euchre Pot. The money collected in the Euchre Pot will also go to the Driveway Fund, for the circle drive in the front of the church. It won't hurt quite as much because you can feel good about donating to a good cause. ☺ Cheat sheets will be provided at each table with a list of the value of the cards, to help the inexperienced players.

If the game players want to have a Domino competition or something like that, we can help you set that up.

Sloppy joes and chips will be provided. Please bring a dish or snack to share and whatever you like to drink.

Also, please bring a card table if you have one. Bring any games you like to play, if not in the Euchre Tourny. And, last, but not least, invite your friends.

**Please sign-up on the sheet, on the table, in the Narthex.**

If you have any questions, please see a Fellowship Committee member.

**See you all there!!!**



November 4, 2018

### Lateral File Cabinets Needed

The church office is in need of locking 42" commercial lateral file cabinets like the one pictured below (any color). We are looking for two 4-drawer cabinets and one two or three-drawer cabinet. If you have information on used cabinets that might be available, please contact Peggy at 354-2640. Thanks!



### GRACE EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH Staff & Leadership Telephone Numbers

**CHURCH OFFICE** ..... 354-2640  
 Rev. Tom Orth..... Home ..... 356-8729  
 ..... Cell..... 916-8759  
 Office Manager ..... Peggy Tomaszewski... 255-8850  
 Music Director ..... David Delano..... 207-322-2074

### ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

President ..... Tom Lappan..... 356-3718  
 Vice-President ..... Rick Engstrom..... 916-5963  
 Exec. Secretary ..... Debby Nitchman..... 916-8213  
 Treasurer ..... Don Barnard ..... 340-1055

### WORK GROUP LEADERS/COUNCIL

Education ..... Elsa Phillips ..... 884-1809  
 Worship ..... Sharon Engstrom..... 354-5133  
 Discipleship..... Phran Ludington ..... 471-9117  
 ..... Dawn Anderson ..... 657-6923  
 Property ..... Jeff Welch ..... 595-2195  
 ..... Bill Platt..... 340-0154  
 Fellowship ..... Jeanne Pankey ..... 354-2416  
 ..... Pat Schultz ..... 356-2781  
 Finance/Stewardship...Dennis Werblow .... 354-5560

### OTHER V.I.P.s

Youth Director .....  
 WELCA ..... Darleen Freel..... 354-8866  
 ..... Dorothy Hansen ..... 354-3563  
 Samaritas ..... Kay Grove ..... 727-2054  
 Quilters .....  
 LARCC ..... Steve Hansen ..... 404-406-8079

## September 2018

### Finances

GENERAL FUND ..... \$ 15,221.50  
 BUILDING FUND ..... 1,700.00  
 CHRISTIAN GROWTH ..... 5.00  
 DRIVEWAY FUND..... 370.00  
 OTHER..... 2,663.87  
 TOTAL ..... \$ 19,960.37  
 (Does not include 9/29 & 30)

### Attendance

SATURDAY WORSHIP (4) ..... 109  
 SUNDAY WORSHIP (4) ..... 278  
 TOTAL ..... 387  
 (Does not include 9/29 & 30)



# OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE THE LORD

## OCTOBER 2018

### LECTORS

07 CHERYL WERBLOW  
14 SANDY WELCH  
21 PATTI TUCKER  
28 ANNA LEWIS

### USHERS

JOEL SUSZEK  
GARY & KAY GROVE  
RICK ENGSTROM  
CINDY DOMRASE (Saturdays)

### GREETERS

07 STEVE & JANIE HANSEN  
14 WAYNE & CHRIS CHRISTOPHERSON  
21 CLARENCE & BONNIE CROSS  
28 JO ANN SMITH, CORKY GATES,  
SANDRA CHRISTOPHERSON

### COUNTERS

CLARENCE & BONNIE CROSS

### COOKIE/DOUGHNUT PICK UP (Sundays)

GARY & KAY GROVE

### COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

DALE SCHULTZ  
SHERIE MCTAGGART

### ALTAR GUILD

CINDY SUSZEK  
CHERYL WERBLOW

### HOSPITAL

JANET CHRONINGER

### FLOWERS

07 GROVE/MAIURI  
14 FURZE  
21 LUDINGTON/SCHULTZ  
28 MOORS/HATCH

### COFFEE HOUR

07 MIKE & DONNA MORGAN  
14 CORKY GATES, JO ANN SMITH,  
SANDRA CHRISTOPHERSON  
21 WAYNE & CHRIS CHRISTOPHERSON  
28 RICH & SHERIE MCTAGGART

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to switch with if you are unable to fulfill your Sunday  
scheduled duty AND share the change with Peggy. Thank you!***

# OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE THE LORD

## NOVEMBER 2018

### LECTORS

04 BOB GREENE  
11 PAUL DENSTAEDT  
18 VERA FURZE  
25 DAWN ANDERSON

### USHERS

ROGER & JEANNE PANKEY  
DON FURZE  
MATT, EVERETT & OLIVIA HASKE  
BRUCE ANSCHUETZ (SATURDAYS)

### GREETERS

04 PAUL & VICKI DENSTAEDT  
11 DON, VERA & TAMMY FURZE  
18 RICK & SHARON ENGSTROM  
25 JOE & DAWN GENTRY

### COUNTERS

DALE & PAT SCHULTZ

### COOKIE/DOUGHNUT PICK UP (Sundays)

PAUL & VICKI DENSTAEDT

### COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

JOELYN RICH  
PHRAN LUDINGTON

### ALTAR GUILD

SANDY WELCH  
KAREN SLAGHT

### HOSPITAL

JANET CHRONINGER

### FLOWERS

04 LAPPAN  
11 CODDINGTON  
18 GENTRY  
25 WELCH

### COFFEE HOUR

04 JACK & PATTI TUCKER  
11 DAWN ANDERSON, PHRAN LUDINGTON  
18 JOEL & CINDY SUSZEK  
25 WAYNE & ANNA LEWIS

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## OCTOBER

### Anniversaries of Baptism



**October 1**  
Timothy Barrow

**October 4**  
Madelyn Boyd

**October 7**  
Alexis Crittenden

**October 10**  
Wayne Christopherson

**October 11**  
Anne Wilson

**October 12**  
Kay Grove

**October 15**  
Matthew Anderson  
Molly O'Connor

**October 18**  
Caitlin Kieliszewski

**October 20**  
Shane Bullard  
Jeanette Grove

**October 21**  
Thomas Bertrand  
Drew Gentry

**October 23**  
Joanne Nicholls

**October 27**  
Piper Slominski  
Emily Townsend

**October 29**  
Michael Pankey  
Mya Styma

**October 30**  
Angie Crittenden  
Marcie Law  
Connie Suszek

### Birthdays

**October 1**  
Timothy Barrow

**October 2**  
Jean Barrow  
Jim Berles  
Adam Kirchoff

**October 3**  
Ellie Walker

**October 5**  
Mike Morgan  
Donald Weise

**October 6**  
Christopher Piontkowski

**October 7**  
Ken Amlotte  
Kristin Berles  
Richard Carlson  
Kimberly McCourt  
Michael Pankey

**October 9**  
Erin Graham

**October 10**  
Gary Grove  
Steve Lappan

**October 12**  
Michael Townsend

**October 13**  
David Dekett

**October 14**  
Tamar Furze

**October 15**  
Kody Bertrand

**October 18**  
Brian Schiller  
James Timrick

**October 20**  
Erika Nicholls

**October 21**  
Jewel Lancaster

**October 22**  
Jessica Slominski

**October 23**  
Emma Nelson

**October 24**  
James Townsend

**October 25**  
Staci Chroninger

**October 26**  
Dan VanEssen

**October 27**  
Clayton Lee

**October 28**  
Cindy Domrase  
Andrea Matzke

**October 29**  
Sandra Christopherson  
Caileigh Nitchman

**October 31**  
Jessica Konarzewski  
Sandra Welch



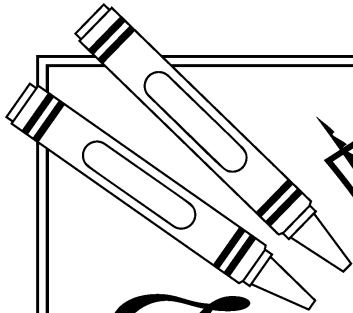
### Wedding Anniversaries

*1st Dawn & Brett Anderson  
3rd Matt & Ruby Haske  
4th Bill & Nancy Platt  
6th Joshua & Tiffany LaFave*

*13th Jack & Patti Tucker  
17th Ron & Jo Ann Smith  
24th Dale & Patricia Schultz*



# Kid's Page



## PUZZLE

### From the heart

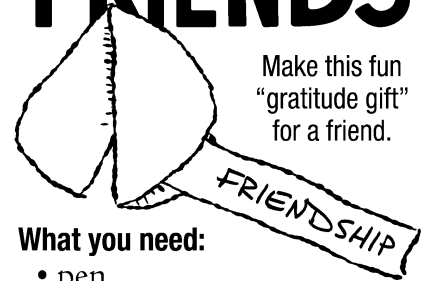
We all need people who share godly wisdom with us.

*Directions: First, unscramble the bold letters to spell another word for "pal." Write that word in the first empty row. Then move the words under each bold letter to that letter's new column. The result will be Proverbs 27:9, NIV.*

D	E	F	I	R	N
<b>F</b>					
to	bring	Perfume	incense	and	joy
Perfume					
of	the	the	and	heart,	pleasantness
the					
advice.	their	a friend	from	springs	heartfelt
A friend					

Answer: FRIEND; Perfume and incense bring joy to the heart, and the pleasantness of a friend springs from their heartfelt advice. Proverbs 27:9, NIV

## Fortunate FRIENDS



Make this fun "gratitude gift" for a friend.

### What you need:

- pen
- round object to trace (about 4 inches across)
- lightweight colored paper
- scissors
- ruled notebook paper
- Chinese food takeout box (or small paper gift bag)
- hot glue gun

### What you do:

1. Trace circles onto the colored paper and cut them out.
2. Cut strips of notebook paper and write messages to a friend (or Bible verses about friendship).
3. Fold each circle in half without making a crease. Secure the top center edge with glue.
4. Pull the outside edges together by creating a bend in the center of the paper. Undo the bend and insert the fortune.
5. Re-bend the "cookie" into shape and add glue inside to hold it in place.
6. Put all the "cookies" in a takeout box and give to your friend.



**“Heal the earth and save all life.”**

**October 2018**

**12th 30 Days of Peace**

“It’s the weak who are  
cruel. Gentleness can only  
be expected from the  
strong.” Leo F. Buscaglia

*Sponsored by the Alpena Peace Coalition in memory of Sr. Lisa Marie Lazio*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>30</b> Youth Celebrate Life Concert First United Methodist 2:00	<b>1</b> The Seeds of Peace (Poetry Even- ing) Thunder Bay Theatre 7:00	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Peace Liturgy Trinity Episcopal Noon	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <i>Peace Contest Ends</i>	<b>6</b> The Blessing of the Animals Grace Lutheran 11:00
<b>7</b> Peace Concert at St. John the Baptist Church 7:00	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Peace Liturgy Trinity Episcopal Noon	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Peace Contest Award Ceremony Alpena Mall Noon	<b>13</b> <i>Carol Skiba</i> 989-916-7049
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
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<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	Grace Lutheran 1119 West Dunbar	First Presbyterian 1600 W. Chisholm	1st Congregational UCC 201 South Second	<b>PARTICIPATING AREA CHURCHES</b>  Trinity Episcopal 124 East Washington	
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	St. Paul Lutheran 727 S. Second Avenue	All Saints Catholic Parish 817 Sable Street	First United Methodist Church 167 S Ripley Blvd	Alpena Community of Christ 126 Clinton St	
		Seventh Day Adventist 4029 US 23 South	The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints 411 Long Rapids Plaza			