# Grace Lutheran Worship Folder August 3 & 4, 2024



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## Grace Lutheran Church

**Grace Lutheran's Purpose Statement** 

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

### **GATHERING**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

#### WELCOME/PRELUDE

#### GATHERING

(the assembly stands as they are comfortable)

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)

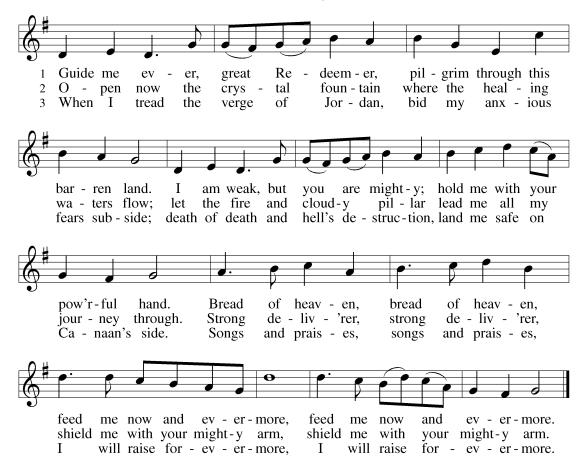
#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.
- C: Amen.
- P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: God, our provider,
- C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.
- P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, we are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus,
  + the bread of life, we are shown God's mercy: we are forgiven and loved into abundant life.
- C: Amen.

**GATHERING HYMN** 



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#### GREETING

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

KYRIE (verses 1 & 4)









- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Let us pray.

#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God, eternal goodness, immeasurable love, you place your gifts before us; we eat and are satisfied. Fill us and this world in all its need with the life that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### <u>WORD</u>

#### God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

A food crisis becomes a faith crisis for the Israelites in the wilderness. The hungry people forget God's saving work in the exodus, and they wish for the food they had in Egypt. Nevertheless, God miraculously meets their needs, with manna for bread and quail for meat.

<sup>2</sup>The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup>The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for vou have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." <sup>4</sup>Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not." <sup>9</sup>Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining."<sup>10</sup>And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. <sup>11</sup>The LORD spoke to Moses and said, <sup>12</sup>"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God." <sup>13</sup>In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. <sup>14</sup>When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. <sup>15</sup>When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

- L: The word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 78:23-29

God rained down manna from heaven; so mortals ate the bread of angels. (Ps. 78:24, 25)

<sup>23</sup>So God commanded the clouds above and opened the doors of heaven,

#### <sup>24</sup>raining down manna upon them to eat and giving them grain from heaven.

<sup>25</sup>So mortals ate the bread of angels; God provided for them food enough.

## <sup>26</sup>The LORD caused the east wind to blow in the heavens and powerfully led out the south wind,

<sup>27</sup>raining down flesh upon them like dust and flying birds like the sand of the seas,

#### <sup>28</sup>letting them fall in the midst of the camp and round about the dwellings.

<sup>29</sup>So the people ate and were well filled, for God gave them what they craved.

#### Ephesians 4:1-16

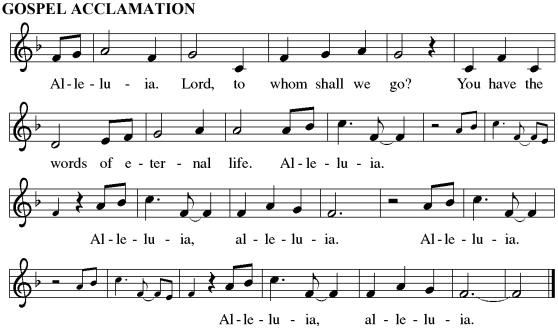
Christians share fundamental unity and diversity. Our unity consists in the one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God. Our diversity is expressed in various forms of ministry whose goal is equipping the saints and building up Christ's one body.

<sup>1</sup>I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup>There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, <sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. <sup>7</sup>But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. <sup>8</sup>Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." <sup>9</sup>(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup>He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup>The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup>to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup>until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. <sup>14</sup>We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. <sup>15</sup>But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup>from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

- P: The word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

#### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

(The assembly stands as they are comfortable for the Gospel)



P: The Holy Gospel according to John.

#### C: Glory to You, O Lord.

#### John 6:24-35

Many of the five thousand people Jesus fed in the wilderness continued to follow him throughout the countryside. Jesus challenges them to consider the real nature of their quest.

<sup>24</sup>When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. <sup>25</sup>When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" <sup>26</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup>Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." <sup>28</sup>Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." <sup>30</sup>So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? <sup>31</sup>Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat." <sup>32</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from

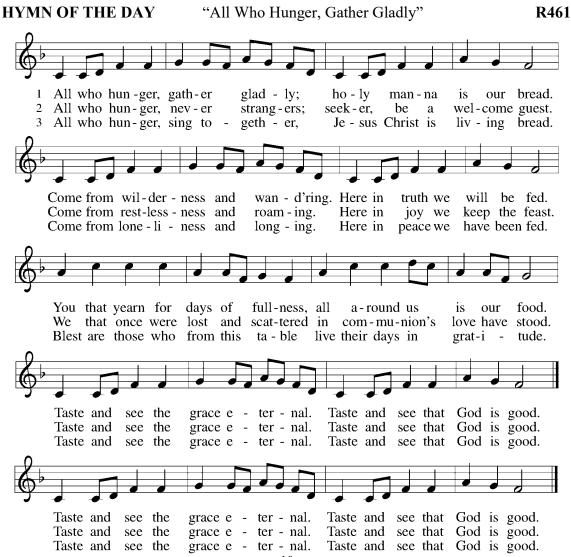
heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup>For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." <sup>34</sup>They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." <sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

**P:** The Gospel of Our Lord.

#### C: Praise to You, O Christ.

#### HOMILY

(The assembly stands as they are comfortable)



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#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again;

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

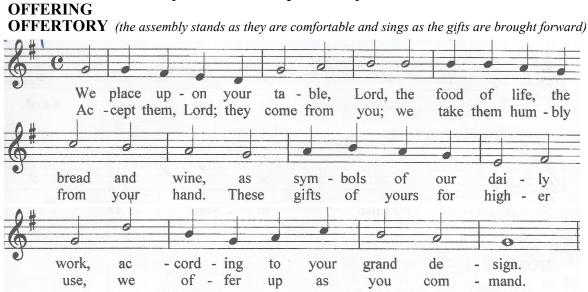
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### **INTERCESSORY PRAYERS**

(Response after each petition)

- P: Merciful God,
- C: receive our prayer.

**MEAL** God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

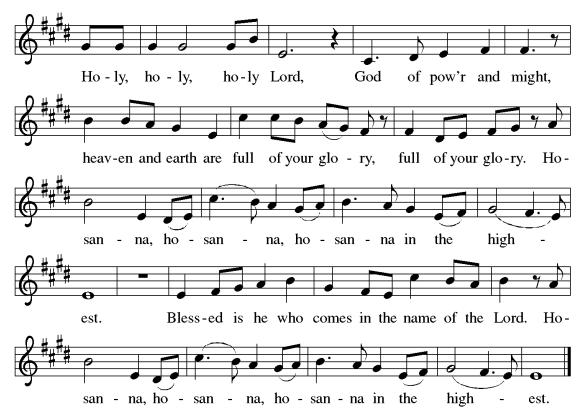


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- P: Let us pray...Jesus, Bread of life,
- C: you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- **C:** We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...(*concluding*)...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER/WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,...*(concluding)*...Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

#### C:Amen.

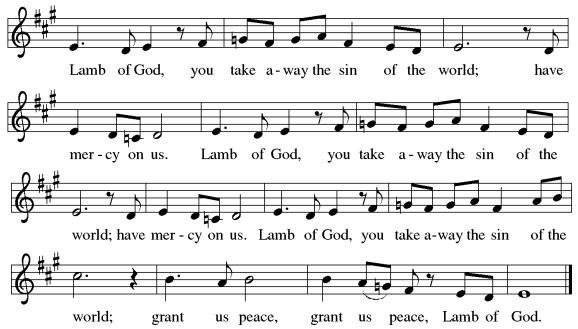
#### LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Lord, remember us in your Kingdom and teach us to pray.
- C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

(All who desire to receive Christ's presence in bread and wine are welcome to participate in the Eucharist)





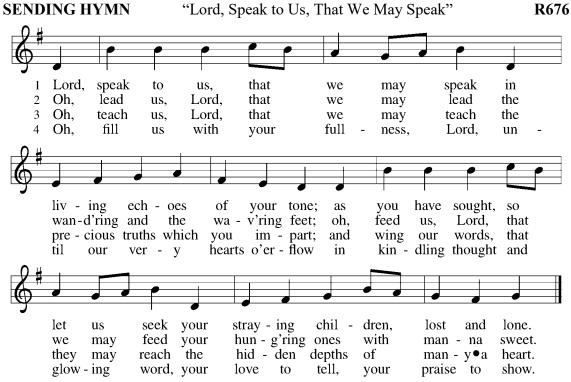
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- P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C: Amen.
- P: Let us pray...Jesus, Bread of life,
- C: we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

#### BLESSING

- P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us + be upon us now and forever.
- C: Amen.



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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **P:** Go in peace. We are the body of Christ.
- C: Thanks be to God.



POSTLUDE

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#### WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT GRACE LUTHERAN A congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

We are glad to have you here worshiping with us. For visitors, we would be glad to tell you more about Grace Lutheran and how we share God's love. Please leave the best way to contact you on the visitor sheets in the Sanctuary Narthex or the Office Lobby or use the bulletin and give it to an usher.

#### **COFFEE HOUR AFTER SUNDAY WORSHIP**

Join us for a time of fellowship with coffee/tea/juice and treats in the Fellowship Hall off the Office Lobby after our Sunday worship.

#### ALTAR FLOWERS

In Celebration of Gary & Kay Grove's 57th Wedding Anniversary

#### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Bill Whitscell, Bill Platt, Gary Bettega, Don & Myra Cross, Adam Kamyszek, Kelly Pankey, Joanne Kindt, Tammy Furze, Mary Barney-Bock, Eleanor Coddington, Sandy Malaski, Janet Chroninger, Bonnie Cross, Elfie Jahnke, Budd & Marlene Jobson, Lisa Wooll, Kristin Berles, Don Barnard, Meredith Smith, Robert Larsen, Vicki Piontkowski, Elaine Hatch, Scott Lancaster, Gerald Lancaster, Dorothy Hansen, Larry & Emma Nelson, Michele Amelotte, Jim Malaski -- Julie Stafford, Daphne Flack, Dixie Crevier, Annie Olsen, Brenda Donajkowski, Rev. Laraine Sundin, Rev. Sarah Samuelson, Duane Morin, Linda, Kaye Harry, Sandra Beck, Kevin Carlson, Laura Fettes (Don Cross' granddaughter), Arlie Prevost, Donna Kendziorski, Jeff Kendziorski, Geraldine Rhoads, James Marculewicz, Herb Schiller, Ann Haske, Jimmy Lappan, Donna Hatch, Jordyn, Maggie, Emily Cross, and Joseph Hansen. We also remember the family of Joan Brennan, who passed away on July 29th.

*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).* 

#### PRAYER PARTNERS

From the LARCC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Congregational UCC) parishes of Alpena, this weekend we pray for the Christian Education Program at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Our Synod Prayer Partner for this week: Peace Lutheran Church/ South Haven, Rev. Travis Wilson and Bishop Craig Satterlee and Synod Staff.

#### **COMMUNION AT THE RAIL**

Since it is the weekend of the first Sunday in the month, we will be receiving communion at the rail on both Saturday and Sunday. As always you may receive as you are comfortable, kneeing if you wish. After everyone at the rail, the entire table, has taken communion, all receive a blessing and are dismissed together.

#### ADULT CHRISTIAN ED

#### August 4

This Sunday we will have a discussion about the Gospel scripture, John 6 : 24 - 35, and the sermon, a Sermon Talk Back. Come and join your voice to the conversation at 11 in the Lounge.

#### LET'S HAVE SOME FUN!!!!

There are 6 balloons, 3 big black and 3 small gold, left flying in the Office Lobby from our 150th Celebration on April 28th. Amazing!!!!! Some good balloons Janet Bettega purchased. They are now numbered. Guess the last balloon still at the top of it's ribbon and win a surprise. Sign up sheet on the table with the balloons. Pastor Tom is the final judge of flying and the prize!

#### LITTLE FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION—AUGUST 10 & 11

We are collecting from the congregation for the Little Food Pantry. Especially needed right now are <u>cereal (both large and small sizes), oatmeal, non-refrigerated milk,</u> <u>mac & cheese, pasta, Hormel meals, fruit, baby food for young and old, toilet paper,</u> <u>and bags of apples and potatoes</u>, in addition to the usual items of quick meals and easily prepared items. Bring them in that weekend and place them in front of the altar for dedication.

#### UNITED WAY STUFF THE BUS COLLECTION August 8, 9 & 10 at Walgreen Parking lot

Supplies needed for students in 6th thru 12th grade include: note books, colored pencils, mechanical pencils, erasers, white out, highlighters. pocket folders, tissues & hand sanitizers. See more of a list in Office Lobby. *We will collect donations at Grace through August 6*.

NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK PARTY AT GRACE Wednesday August 7 ~ 5:30-7:30 pm Outdoor Games ~ Snacks & Drinks ~ Music ~ Family Fun Invite your friends and join us rain OR shine!

<u>Sign up for items needed at</u>: https://tinyurl.com/GraceBlockParty or sign up on the sheet located in the Office Lobby

**Items needed:** cookies, dirt cake, brownies, sidewalk chalk, chips, paper plates, napkins, bubbles, face painting crayons (Amazon), fruit salad, veggie tray, cupcakes, lemonade, soda, pasta salads, taco salad, cracker/cheese tray, outdoor corn hole game, outdoor ladder golf, outdoor game - other, help with set up, help with clean up

#### **RUMMAGE SALE - AUGUST 23 & 24 Drop off items beginning August 10th**

Please remember our Rummage Sale as you are Spring cleaning. Your donations will be accepted at the church starting Saturday, August 10 through Wednesday, August 21, just before the sale. Please no pieces of furniture or other large items.

#### SUNDAY WORSHIP LIVESTREAMED AND RECORDED

Our Sunday worship service is livestreamed, shown on the internet, as it is happening and recorded for viewing online later. People in the sanctuary attending the Sunday service may be seen as part of the livestream and recording.

### GENERAL FUND GIVING FOR JUNE 2024

Average needed in June (5 weeks) to meet budget Monthly Giving - June \$ 23,680.00 17,938.28

We received:

126 envelopes, 64 Simply Giving recurring payments, 8 Give+ payments made from our website and 1 Thrivent Choice donation.

## Anniversaries of Baptism

August 1 Vicki Denstaedt Kiowa Kirchoff

August 4 Jeremy Jacobs Margaret O'Connor

August 5 Grace Hoeft Ryan Reynolds Anthony Thompson

August 6 Margaret Clemens Myra Cross Anna Lewis

August 10 Shelly Olsen

August 12 Jordyn Cieslik

August 13 Trey Garant James Malaski

August 14 Brett Werblow



- 3rd Jim & Sandy Malaski
- 4th Sean & Taylor Hayward
- 5th Allen & Judy Douglas
- Gary & Kay Grove
- 7th Cody & Jessie Suszek
- 14th Larry & Connie Suszek
- 16th Tyler & Stephanie Suszek
- 19th Phil & Pam Agius



August 17 Jakob Bauer

August 19 Alan Brilinski Nathan Engstrom Corinne Fraley

**August 20** Dorothy Hansen Isaac Matzke

**August 21** William Matzke

August 22 Pam Gohlke

August 23 Riley Gohlke Raymond Reynolds

August 26 Fred Kindt

August 28 Debra Nitchman

August 29 Anne Gentry August 11 Joann Smith

August

Norman Schillerstrom

August 4

August 5

August 6

August 7

Fred Kindt

August 8 Mark Freel

August 9

Joel Gillard

August 10

Amelia Berles

Corinne Fraley

Shirley Diemond

Monroe Garant

Michael Urlaub

Sandra Malaski

Deb Wcisel-Ellsworth

Aaron Nowak

Alan Brilinski

Dawn Gentry

## Wedding Anniversaries

- 21st Rick & Sharon Engstrom
- 22nd Jerry & Jan Charter
- 24th Randy & Kenda Yochum
- 26th Ed & Donna Czarnecki
- 27th Pat & June Daly
  - Jason & Jessica Slominski
- 28th Don LaBarre & Anne Gentry



August 12 Carey Schiller Madison Szymanski

August 13 Jamie Gentry Grace Hoeft

August 18 Ed Czarnecki

August 19 Charity Corwin

August 20 Drew Gentry Wayne Lewis

**August 21** Donna Morgan Brody Nowak

August 22 Rachel Engstrom Jeffrey Welch

**August 23** Ruby Haske Travis Konarzewski

August 28 Debra Nitchman

August 31 Jerry Timm

#### **HAPPENING THIS WEEK!**

#### Sunday -4th

| 9:30 am  | Worship           |
|----------|-------------------|
| 11:00 am | Adult Ed - Lounge |

#### Monday - 5th

8am-noon Church Office Open 8am-2pm Kitchen Reserved

#### Tuesday - 6th

8am-noonChurch Office Open9:00 amSewing/Quilting11:00 amPastor's Text Study

#### Wednesday - 7th

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 5:30 pm Neighborhood Block Party

#### <u> Thursday - 8th</u>

8am-noonChurch Office Open8am-2pmKitchen Reserved

#### <u>Friday - 9th</u>

| 8am-noon | Church Office Open    |
|----------|-----------------------|
| 8am-2pm  | Kitchen Reserved      |
| 9:30 am  | Friends Together Mtg. |

#### Saturday - 10th

5:00 pm Outdoor Worship

#### **SERVING AUGUST 3/4**

| Ministers                                  | God's People          |  |
|--|-----------------------|--|
| Pastor                                     | Rev. Tom Orth         |  |
| Music Director                             | Claire Witt           |  |
| Recorded AccompanimentKat Tomaszewski      |                       |  |
| Lector                                     | Mike Urlaub           |  |
| Comm. Asst. Sherie McTaggart, Jo Ann Smith |                       |  |
| Ushers Gary & Kay C                        | Brove, Rick Engstrom  |  |
| Cindy                                      | Jomrase (Saturday)    |  |
| Greeter                                    | Joe & Dawn Gentry     |  |
| Altar GuildKaren S                         | Suszek, Jo Ann Smith  |  |
| Livestream Team Dawn Anderson, Jan         |                       |  |
| Charter, Don I                             | LaBarre, Alex Struble |  |
| CountersChery                              | l Lang, Cindy Suszek  |  |
| Coffee Hour                                | Joe & Dawn Gentry     |  |

#### SERVING AUGUST 10/11

| Ministers                                  | God's People               |  |
|--|----------------------------|--|
|  | Rev. Tom Orth              |  |
| Music Director                             | Claire Witt                |  |
| Recorded AccompanimentKat Tomaszewski      |                            |  |
| Lector                                     | Cindy Domrase              |  |
| Comm. Asst. Sherie McTaggart, Jo Ann Smith |                            |  |
| Ushers Gary &                              | Kay Grove, Rick Engstrom   |  |
|  | .Cindy Domrase (Saturday)  |  |
| Greeter                                    | Dale & Pat Schultz         |  |
| Altar GuildK                               | Laren Suszek, Jo Ann Smith |  |
| Livestream Team Dawn Anderson, Jan         |                            |  |
| Charter,                                   | Don LaBarre, Alex Struble  |  |
| CountersCheryl Lang, Cindy Suszek          |                            |  |
| Coffee Hour Wayne Lewis, Audrey Garant     |                            |  |

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