

Grace Lutheran
Worship Folder

July 4 & 5, 2026



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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

(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.)

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, source of hope in every nation, rest for the weary, glory and peace to the ends of the earth.

C: Amen.

P: Let us bring every burden to God.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: God of all mercy,

C: we have sinned against you, our neighbors, and your creation. Within ourselves and our communities, our desire to do what is good is at war with the evil that dwells in us. We lament the evil that holds us captive. We repent of the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Rescue us, forgive us, and restore us for lives of compassion and courage through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

P: All-merciful, Almighty God forgive us all our sins through the grace of + Jesus Christ, and by the Spirit's power strengthen us in doing what is good.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

R742



- 1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
- 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
- 3 Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged—take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge—take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need - less pain we bear—
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - row share?
 Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness—take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a so - lace there.

Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820–1886
 Music: CONVERSE, Charles C. Converse, 1832–1918

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 (Sing twice)



Take, oh, take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall be;



set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949
 Music: TAKE ME AS I AM, John L. Bell
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HYMN OF PRAISE

Lord, I lift your name on high; Lord, I love to sing your prais-es.

I'm so glad you're in my life, I'm so glad you came to save us.

You came from heav-en to earth to show the way, from the earth

to the cross, my debt to pay, from the cross to the grave,

from the grave to the sky; Lord, I lift your name on high.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of five staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff has two phrases. The second staff has two phrases. The third and fourth staves form a continuous line of lyrics. The fifth staff has two phrases.

Text: Rick Founds, b. 1954

Music: Rick Founds

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LORD, I LIFT YOUR NAME

PM

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching and song.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Zechariah 9:9-12

The coming messianic king will inaugurate an era of disarmament and prosperity. Because of God's covenant with Israel, the people are designated as "prisoners of hope."

⁹ Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰ He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth. ¹¹ As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹² Return to your stronghold, prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 145:8-14

The LORD is gracious and full of compassion. (Ps. 145:8)

⁸ The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

⁹ **LORD, you are good to all,
and your compassion is over all your works.**

¹⁰ All your works shall praise you, O LORD,
and your faithful ones shall bless you.

¹¹ **They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power,**

¹² that all people may know of your power
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

¹³ **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout
all ages.**

You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.

¹⁴ The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up those who are bowed down.

Romans 7:15-25a

Life captive to sin is a catch-22 existence in which we know good but do not do it and do things we know to be wrong. Through Jesus Christ, God has set us free from such a futile existence.

¹⁵ I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶ Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷ But in fact it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸ For I know that the good does not dwell within me, that is, in my flesh. For the desire to do the good lies close at hand, but not the ability. ¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me. ²¹ So I find it to be a law that, when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²² For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³ but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴ Wretched person that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ^{25a} Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

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

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Jesus chides people who find fault with both his ministry and that of John the Baptist. He thanks God that wisdom and intelligence are not needed to receive what God has to offer.

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] ¹⁶“To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, ¹⁷‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’ ¹⁸“For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; ¹⁹ the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

²⁵ At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶ yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷ All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸ “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

HOMILY

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(The assembly stands as they are comfortable)

HYMN OF THE DAY “Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling”

R608



1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for
2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for
3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for



you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,
you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,
you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

Refrain



watch - ing for you and for me.
mer - cies for you and for me? “Come home, come home!”
par - don for you and for me.



You who are wea - ry, come home.” Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,



Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, “O sin - ner, come home!”

Text: Will L. Thompson, 1847–1909

Music: THOMPSON, Will L. Thompson This selection is in the public domain.

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: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *(the assembly stands as they are comfortable and sings as the gifts are brought forward)*

1 God's work, our hands: work - ing to - geth - er,
build - ing a fu - ture, re - pair - ing the world,
rais - ing up homes, plant - ing new gar - dens,
feed - ing the hun - gry and shelt - 'ring the cold.
Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,
shar - ing the good news of your gos - pel.

Text: Wayne L. Wold, b. 1954
Music: EARTH AND ALL STARS, David N. Johnson, 1922-1987
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P: Let us pray...Blessed are you, O God,

C: for waves of grain and harvesters, fruitful vines and winepresses, for our labor and our rest, for the gifts of your hand in this land. Transform us and what we offer into the banquet of your compassion, serving your love without limits through Jesus Christ, our Savior. 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 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:



You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here



to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.



You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!

Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!

Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

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EUCHARISTIC PRAYER/WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, you alone are Majesty, you alone are Excellency, you alone are Sovereign . . .

Christ's ascension to rule with love forever, we declare the revolutionary mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: God, shed your grace on us. Shower your Holy Spirit . . . and the humble glory, now and forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

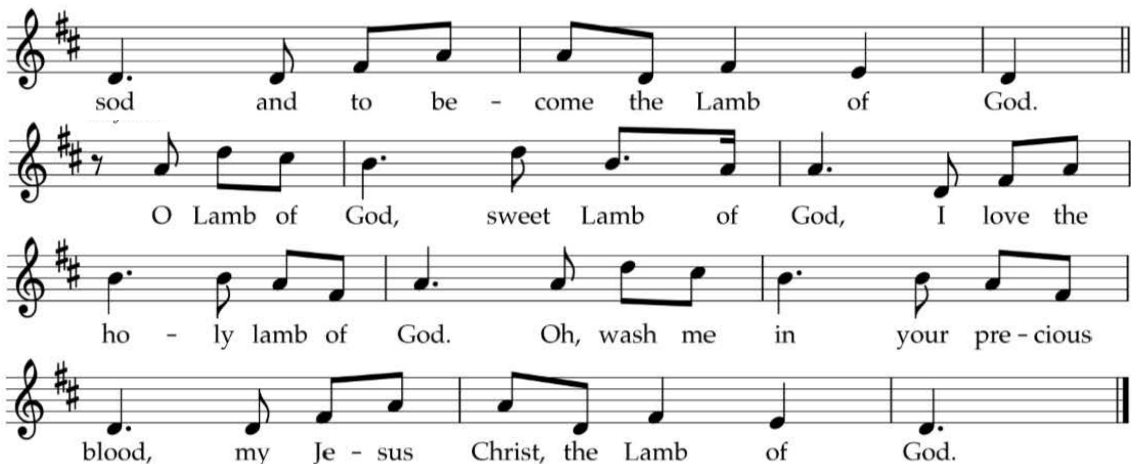
**For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory,
 forever and ever. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

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

P: Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, but you have
 sent him from your side to walk up - on this guilt - y



sod and to be - come the Lamb of God.
 O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the
 ho - ly lamb of God. Oh, wash me in your pre - cious
 blood, my Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

Text: Twila Paris, b. 1958
 Music: Twila Paris
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COMMUNION HYMN “Let Us Break Bread Together” **R471**



1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;
 2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;
 3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;



let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.
 let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.
 let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.



When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing



sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

Text: African American spiritual
 Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual

(the assembly stands as they are comfortable)

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

P: Let us pray...We thank you, God of heaven and earth,

C: that you fill our deepest need with the very gift of Jesus Christ, broken and poured out for us. Pour us out into a broken world. Channel our common life toward the common good, following the way our Savior leads us now and forever. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P: The Author of life, the Word of salvation, the Breath of new birth, + one God, bless you and equip you for living and serving, today and every day.

C: Amen.

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1 O beau-ti-ful for spa-cious skies, for am-ber waves of grain,
 2 O beau-ti-ful for he-roes proved in lib-er-at-ing strife,
 3 O beau-ti-ful for pa-triot dream that sees be-yond the years



for pur-ple moun-tain maj-es-ties a-bove the fruit-ed plain:
 who more than self their coun-try loved, and mer-cy more than life:
 thine al-a-bas-ter cit-ies gleam, un-dimmed by hu-man tears:



A-mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! God shed his grace on thee,
 A-mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! May God thy gold re-fine,
 A-mer-i-ca! A-mer-i-ca! God mend thine ev-'ry flaw,



and crown thy good with broth-er-hood from sea to shin-ing sea.
 till all suc-cess be no-ble-ness, and ev-'ry gain di-vine.
 con-firm thy soul in self-con-trol, thy lib-er-ty in law.

Text: Katherine L. Bates, 1859–1929

Music: MATERNA, Samuel A. Ward, 1848–1903

ANNOUNCEMENTS

P: Go in peace. Seek equality and justice for all.

C: Thanks be to God.



POSTLUDE



WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT GRACE LUTHERAN

A congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

We are glad to have you here worshipping 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.

PRAYER PARTNERS

From the LARCC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Congregational UCC) parishes of Alpena, this weekend we pray for the LARCC clergy at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Our Synod Prayer Partner for this week: Saron Lutheran/St. Joseph, Rev. James Smith; and Bishop Julie Schneider-Thomas and Synod Staff.

PRAYER LETTERS

Please sign the prayer letter(s) each week that we send out telling other churches and ministries they have been included in our prayers. **Fill the page with our names.** The letter(s) are on the podium by the table in the Office Lobby.

WE'RE UPDATING OUR PRAYER LIST.

IF YOU, OR A FAMILY MEMBER OR FRIEND, WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE ON THE PRAYER LIST, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE BY JULY 28TH.

Myra Cross, Larry Garant, Patti Tucker, Bonnie Cross, Darlene Freel, Hope Kamyszek, Sandy Malaski, Janet Chroninger, Elfie Jahnke, Marlene Jobson, Meredith Smith, Robert Larsen, Elaine Hatch, Scott Lancaster, Emma Nelson, Michele Amelotte, Jim Malaski -- Grace, Cheryl Gauthier, Alexi Charter, Cory Golder, Tamyra Rychlinski, Tom Watson, Ho-Ok Nam Lin (Pastor Seok Nam Lin's mother), Maria Shelton, Paul Kroll, Jim Marquardt, Aggie Jakubiak, Jerry McConnell, Lysie, Becky & Dante, Tyson, Scout, Lyle Beck, Candy & Tom Laughlin, Margaret Kamyszek, Michelle, Joan Vanover, Paige Lancewicz, Mychele Allmacher, Daphne Flack, Linda, Kaye Harry, Sandra Beck, Laura Fettes (Don Cross' granddaughter), Donna Kendziorski, Jeff Kendziorski, Herb Schiller, Jimmy Lappan, Donna Hatch, Jordyn, Maggie, and Joseph Hansen. Military: Will Stafford (Rich & Sherie McTaggart's grandson), Amelia Berles, US Air Force Pilot Training, and Michael Herrmann, US Air Force. We also remember the family of Bill Whitscell, who passed away June 12th.

ADULT CHRISTIAN ED - JULY 5

Adult CE for Sunday – Faith in World of Evil

It is an age old question, why does God allow evil in the world? We ask the question about any number of events, wars, hurricanes, earth quakes, children being hurt, etc. How do we faithfully deal with such trauma and tragedy in the world? So lets talk about it and work on living out our faith in today's world. Join us at 11 in the Lounge.

RANDOM ACT OF GRACE - STARLITE CLEAN UP - JULY 2 AT 5:30 PM

We're going down to the Park and Beach to clean up again, helping Alpena welcome our July 4th visitors. Join us for a good time and pizza. Will do some work and then have supper together. Sign up sheet in the Office Lobby.

TIME & TALENT SURVEY IS NOW AVAILABLE

OCTOBER 2026 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2027

How can you contribute to Grace's Ministry and Mission? Take a look at the list, printed copy in the Office Lobby or follow the online link in the emails to the form online. Even if you are continuing what you already do, please fill one out for the coming program year. Any questions, or IDEAS, talk to Pastor Tom. Please help us with next year's scheduling by completing and submitting this form by July 15th. Thanks!

SAVE THE DATE!!! THURSDAY, AUGUST 6

Mark your calendars and plan to join us for Grace's block party on Thursday, August 6th. Be sure to invite your friends.

QUILTERS RUMMAGE SALE

The Quilters Rummage Sale is coming soon...Friday & Saturday, August 28 & 29.

Donations of items will be greatly appreciated. Please no pieces of furniture or other large items. Also, please keep your items until close to the dates, so moving them from the basement to the Fellowship Hall is eliminated. Thank you in advance!

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

The LFP is in need of small boxes of cereal, pasta of any kind and cans of fruit. Fresh vegetables and fruit from your gardens are always welcome. Thanks for your support!

THANK YOU

Thank you for all your prayers during my recent surgeries. Glad to be back at Grace.
-- Rich McTaggart

CHRIST IN OUR HOME DEVOTIONALS

Devotionals for the next quarter, July - September, are available in the Office Lobby.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF (LWR) PERSONAL CARE KITS

Once again we will be collecting items for LWR Personal Care Kits. Please contribute what you are able to. Items needed for each kit (new items please):

- ◆ One light-weight cotton or cotton blend bath-size towel (20” to 27” x 40” to 52”), dark color recommended
- ◆ 2-3 bath-size bars of soap totaling 8-9 oz, in original packaging (no mini or hotel size bars, please)
- ◆ One adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging (toothbrush multi-packs may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business-size envelope; no plastic bags or wrap)
- ◆ One sturdy comb (no picks or fine toothed combs)
- ◆ One metal nail clippers (attached file optional)

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please mark the envelope “Personal Care Kits.” If writing a check, please make it out to “Grace Lutheran Church.”

Collection will take place throughout July and August 2026. Items may be placed in tall basket just outside the Fellowship Hall.

CONGRATULATIONS TOP FACEBOOK FANS

Congratulations to everyone who accepted the Great Comment Facebook Challenge of Grace! The following individuals took this challenge very seriously and earned Top Fan and Rising Star recognition: **Don Barnard, Chris Christopherson, Vicki Denstaedt, Dawn Gentry, Barbara Greene, Ruby Haske, Connie Stepanski, Cindy Suszek and Stephanie Suszek.** In appreciation of your efforts, each of you will receive a \$10 Biggby card. **Please see Donna Morgan , Pastor Tom or Peggy in the Church Office to claim your gift card.** Great job, everyone, and thank you for your enthusiastic participation. Let’s keep this momentum going by continuing to engage with, comment on, and share our church’s Facebook posts to keep our social media presence strong!

PASTOR TOM’S RETIREMENT

The date for Pastor Tom’s finishing of pastoral ministry at Grace Lutheran has been set for August 31 of this year. At May’s Council meeting Bishop Julie Schneider-Thomas of our North/West Lower Michigan Synod ELCA joined in via Zoom to inform the Council of the Call Process and the actions to begin taking now. She shared the support the Synod gives in the process and where they are involved. Council is beginning active work on the next steps and would welcome any questions from church members.

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.

Anniversaries of Baptism



Birthdays

July 1
Sharon Engstrom
Kelly Pankey

July 4
Caitlin Wade

July 5
Myles Granata
Ann O'Connor

July 6
Rachel Brownhill
Taylor Loop

July 7
Grace Kuligowski
Harper Suszek

July 8
Charity Corwin

July 11
Emily Szymanski

July 14
Richard Carlson

July 15
Scott Lancaster
Annie Schultz

July 17
Michele Amelotte

July 20
Rhonda Anderson
Christopher Carlson
Amelia Kamyszek

July 22
Mike Schiller

July 24
Vicki VanEssen

July 29
Kathy Piontkowski
Olivia Viegelaahn

July 1
Christopher Carlson

July 2
Jonathan Lang

July 4
Riley Gohlke

July 5
Annie Schultz

July 6
Wayne Christopherson
Jon Crow
Donald LaBarre

July 7
Larry Garant
Elaine Hatch

July 10
Stephanie Suszek

July 12
Britni Nowak
Hadleigh Suszek

July 15
Myra Cross
Vicki Denstaedt

July 16
Clarence Cross

July 17
Leslie Reynolds

July 18
Scott Kuligowski

July 21
Margaret Clemens
Brian Nelson
Patti Tucker

July 22
Joel Fraley
Kay Grove

July 24
Christena Christopherson
Jim Hansen

July 27
Pam Gohlke
Anthony Thompson

July 28
Paige Timmreck

July 31
Rodney Szymanski



Wedding Anniversaries

3rd Tim & Annie Schultz
6th Ken & Nancy Amelotte
8th Brady & Taylor Loop
14th Jim & Denise Timrick
Dennis & Cheryl Werblow
15th Jeff & Shirley Diamond
24th Brandi Stone & Daniel Donajkowski
27th Scott & Judy Black
30th Ray & Leslie Reynolds



Sunday Singers

First Congregational Flash Choir

**Church in the Park
Sunday, July 12**

8a Warmup

830a Service & Sing!

This service is at the Alpena Band

Shell and is part of the

Community Church in the Park Series hosted by the First United Methodist Church. Pastor Laura will be preaching at this service!

Community Church in the Park is a partnership started by the Alpena First United Methodist Church to bring all of our churches together in worship by the lake! In the same spirit, this Community Flash Choir is meant to work the same way! We are hoping for friends and singers from all of our area churches to join us!

Come one, come all!

Anyone is welcome.

No formal choir experience is necessary.

No midweek practice.

We will meet on the Sunday we will sing to learn the song.

Please email or call Kat with any questions:
musicuccalp@gmail.com
989-255-8750

Rehearsal Tracks

Contact Kat by email or text to get a copy of the music and a rehearsal track before that Sunday, if interested!



GENERAL FUND GIVING FOR MAY 2026

Average needed in May (5 weeks) to meet budget	\$ 24,065.00
Monthly Giving - May (includes a one-time annual donation)	29,698.06

We received:

124 envelopes, 59 Simply Giving recurring payments,
and 8 Give+ payments made from our website

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday – 5th

9:30 am **Worship**
11:00 pm Adult CE - Lounge

Monday - 6th

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

Tuesday - 7th

8am-noon Church Office Open
9:00 am Sewing/Quilting
11:00 am Pastor's Text Study

Wednesday - 8th

10 am-noon Church Office Open
10:30 am Catechism

Thursday - 9th

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

Friday - 10th

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

Saturday - 11th

5:00 pm **Worship**

SERVING JULY 4/5

Ministers God's People
Pastor Rev. Tom Orth
Music Director Claire Witt
Organist Kat Tomaszewski
Comm. Asst. Wayne & Chris Christopherson
Lector Jan Charter
Ushers Gary & Kay Grove, Rick Engstrom
..... Cindy Domrase (Saturday)
Greeters Rick & Sharon Engstrom
Altar Guild Chris Christopherson
Livestream Team ... Dawn Anderson, Jan Charter,
Don LaBarre, Alex Struble
Counters Gary & Kay Grove
Coffee Hour Rich & Sherie McTaggart

SERVING JULY 11/12

Ministers God's People
Pastor Rev. Tom Orth
Music Director Claire Witt
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