

✠ EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ✠
Saturday, 5:00 p.m., July 9, 2016 ~ Sunday, 9:30 a.m., July 10, 2016

Hymns

G-R532 Gather Us In
Psalm 25:1-10 (Psalms begin page 339)
D-R714 O God of Mercy, God of Light
C-R708 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love
S- R720 We Are Called

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

Welcome to our guests and visitors who are with us today. We hope you feel at home in our midst and look forward to seeing you again. If you would like more information about Grace Lutheran, the pastor or ushers can help you. Please consider your presence to be your gift to us. No other is necessary or expected. Thank you for worshiping with us today.

IN OUR PRAYERS

In observance of our covenant with the LARCC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Congregational UCC) parishes of Alpena, we pray each week for a specific ministry of one of the 8 LARCC parishes. Today we pray for the Music Ministry at Trinity Episcopal Church.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

This Sunday the Adult class will be about the recommended Purpose Statement and Guiding Principles coming before the congregation at the Special Congregational Meeting on August 7th. Come learn more about their meaning and use for Grace Lutheran.

PRAYERS: Gar Nicholls, Roger Pankey, Fred Wegmeyer, Elsa Phillips, Bunny Lyon, Gordon Hansen, Judy Kautz, Debbie Anderson, Marilyn Whitscell, Erv Simi, Jeanette Grove, Elfie Jahnke, Lorraine Leathead, Gloria Moore, Dave Chroninger, Harold & Jean Kissau, Jim Malaski, Karen & Walter Spigelmyre, Dorothy Gentry, Emma Nelson, Julie Troy, Conrad Addison, David Schaedig, Linda Norton, Bishop Craig Satterlee, Cody Gustin, Brett & Katie Schoner, Eric Carlson, Martin Suszek, Larry Beaudoin, Shirley Johnson, Mike Knoblett, Dennis Diamond, Stuart Grenkowicz, and Kay. We also remember the family of Iris Snyder, who passed away July 3rd.

ALTAR FLOWERS: In celebration of Loving Care Member Janice Matthews' birthday (July 24).

PRAYER LIST

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).

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday August 7th following worship

The recommended Purpose Statement and Guiding Principles are being presented for discussion and a vote on adoption.

**ALPENA COMMUNITY ECUMENICAL
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

July 25-29, 2016

Registration forms are located in the Narthex. More info is located on the insert in your bulletin. Share the information with family, friends and neighbors.

**POTLUCK BRUNCH
&
MINI-GOLF TOURNEY
Sunday, July 17, 2016**

Potluck Brunch after 9:30 a.m. Service followed by our 4th Annual Mini-Golf Tourney beginning at approximately 12:30 p.m. at Lee's Miniature Golf on State St. followed by Ice Cream Treats at Dairy Queen
More info is available on the table in the Narthex. Sign-up deadline is July 13.

FUN, FITNESS, GENEROSITY!

Thrivent Community - Northern MI is hosting a 5K run benefitting local veterans on Saturday, July 16, 2016 - 9:00 a.m. at the Alpena County Fairgrounds. Free T-shirt, water bottle, and reusable grocery tote for participants (while supplies last). 100% of race registration fees will be donated to Northern Michigan's Team RWB (Red, White, and Blue) in support of their mission to enrich the lives of America's Veterans through athletic and wellness programs. Call 989.356.1330 or email Linda.Smith@thrivent.com for a registration form!

**BAKE LOCALLY ACT GLOBALLY
Grace Lutheran will have our monthly
"Bread Weekend" on July 16 & 17**

We are asking the congregation to bake bread, any type, and bring it to the church on Saturday or Sunday, prior to the service. We will price the loaves. The bread will be sold to help raise money for the ELCA Hunger Relief Fund. Additional World Hunger Information can be found on the insert in your bulletin.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday - 10th

9:30 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

Worship
Adult Ed - Lounge

Monday - 11th

11:00 a.m.

Sanctuary Reserved

Tuesday - 12th

3:30-7:00 p.m.
4:00 p.m.

Lounge Reserved
Worship Work Group

Wednesday - 13th

2:30-6:30 p.m.

Lounge Reserved

Thursday - 14th

7:00 p.m.

Interfaith Amigos
Book Study

Friday - 15th

NEWSLETTER
DEADLINE

Saturday - 16th

9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall
Reserved
Worship

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Ministers.....God's People
Pastor Rev. Tom Orth
Music DirectorBerniece Lyon
Lector Verna Furze
Communion Assts. Dale Schultz, Gary Nicholls
Ushers..... Joel Suszek, Gary & Kay Grove,
Jo Ann Smith, Tom Brennan,
Bev Attwell, Rick Engstrom
Greeters..... Brian & Bethany Popour Family
Hospital Janet Chroninger
Altar Guild Chris Christopherson, Phran
Ludington, Jeanne Pankey
Counters Dale & Pat Schultz
Coffee Hour Clarence & Bonnie Cross

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GENERAL FUND GIVING

Average needed each week to meet budget	\$ 3,981.00
Weekly giving - July 3	\$ 4,207.00
Year-to-date over/(under)	(\$ 3,023.00)

FIRST READING Deuteronomy 30:9-14

⁹The LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, ¹⁰when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. ¹¹Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. ¹²It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹³Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹⁴No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

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SECOND READING Colossians 1:1-14

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, ²To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. ³In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel ⁶that has come to you. Just as it is bearing

fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. ⁷This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, ⁸and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. ⁹For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. ¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

GOSPEL

Luke 10:25-37

²⁵Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your

soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." ²⁹But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

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