

# News of Grace

Monthly Newsletter ♦ November 2016

## Grace Lutheran's Purpose Statement

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



Travis Konarzewski, Gar Nicholls, Bunny Lyon, 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, Jeff Lee, Conrad Addison, David Schaedig, Bishop Craig Satterlee, Cody Gustin, Brett & Katie Schoner, Eric Carlson, Martin Suszek, Larry Beaudoin, Shirley Johnson, Mike Knoblett, Dennis Diamond, Stuart Grenkowicz, and Richard G.

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

Willford Platt, who passed away on September 24th.

Michael Moors, who passed away on October 28th.



## Semi-Annual Meeting

**Sunday, November 6**

**following**

**9:30 a.m. Worship**

### **On the agenda:**

- Budget Adoption
- Election of Officers



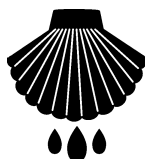
## Confirmation

God bless Mitchell Dylan Agius, Amelia Kate Berles, Patrick Michael McCourt, Jake Robert Schiller, Madison Paige Timmreck, and Adam

Lucas Urlaub who were Confirmed on October 30. Following worship, a reception was held in their honor.

## Baptism

We pray for God's blessings for Mya Ann Styma, who was baptized at our Saturday evening service on October 29. Mya's parents are Stephanie Adamski and Ryan Styma and her sponsors are Drew Styma and Marcie McKay.



## Congratulations

Emily Marie was born to Jon and Annie Carr on October 7 in Los Angeles, California. Tom and Mary Lappan are the proud grandparents. Nelson Carr of Lachine is the great-grandparent.



*From the  
Pastor*



When did it starting get dark so early in the evenings? Seems like it was just last week that it was light until 9 and 10 o'clock at night. When did the sun start coming up so late in the morning?

The seasons seemingly change fast. Every year we go through this cycle. Yet every year for me it is a surprise when it does. Makes me wonder what else I am missing that is happening all around me? What else am I not observing that is going on all the time?

I invite you to really take a look at all that is going on around church! We are reaching out more into the community, have more projects going on at church and more people involved in more ways. Take a look at the newsletter and the bulletin.

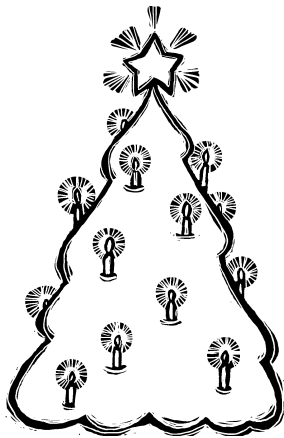
We are expressing our Purpose Statement "We share God's love by welcoming all and making Christ-like difference in our community and world."

That is the church's purpose statement and it is for everyone to be involved in those purposes.

I invite you into the many things happening. There is always room for another and need for another person to be involved. It is the way that we will truly and fully live out our Purpose Statement and Guiding Principles together.

Thank you and Thanks Be to God

*Pastor Tom*



**Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship**  
**December 24**  
**5:00 & 7:30 p.m.**

**Christmas Day Worship**  
**December 25**  
**9:30 a.m.**





**November 24  
5:00 p.m.  
at  
Grace Lutheran**

Turkey, dressing, potatoes &  
gravy & drinks provided

Please sign-up on the sheet in the Narthex  
by 11/20/16 and indicate if you are  
able to bring a salad, vegetable,  
bread/rolls or dessert to share.

Feel free to invite your friends  
and neighbors to join us.

Also, the Pankeys and  
Schultzes will be at the church  
cooking by 3 p.m., so if you  
want to come early to play  
cards or board games before  
dinner, you are welcome to  
do so.



**Call Jeanne & Roger Pankey at 354-2416 or  
Pat & Dale Schultz at 356-2781 with questions.**



**Don't forget...**

**Daylight Saving Time Ends  
November 6 at 2:00 a.m.**



**Julefest Bake Sale**

**December 3**

**9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

Sale items may be  
brought in on Friday,

December 2, beginning at 8:00 a.m. and  
continuing through the day. We appreciate  
any baked or homemade goods and canned  
items.

We would also appreciate any craft items you  
make and would like to donate. If possible,  
please package and price your items. (We  
will do that for you, if you prefer.)

Please invite your family and friends to this  
annual event sponsored by the women of  
Grace. Contact Darlene Freel at 354-8866  
with any ideas, and if you can help on Friday  
or Saturday. Thanks!

**\*\*Air-tight tins are needed for packaging.**  
Please leave any you would like to donate in  
the kitchen. Thanks!

THANK YOU TO ALL who so  
generously donated your time,  
talents, treasures, or tables to  
help make the card/game  
night fundraiser a success. Your  
support is greatly appreciated  
and we are truly blessed to have you help us  
support this cause. GOD BLESS YOU ALL!!!!!!!



Grace Quilters

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I would like to thank everyone in our church  
family for your prayers. It meant a great deal to  
my whole family. Jeff came through the open  
heart surgery wonderfully. Hopefully they found  
his problem as he was born too early and the  
valve had not opened fully. Thanks again for  
your thoughts and prayers.

Marge Weber & Family

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This year the quilters sent 249 quilts to Lutheran  
World Relief and gave 24 away locally for a  
grand total of 273 quilts, plus 22 school kits.  
Since 1986 the quilters made a grand total of  
3,149 quilts. We want to thank everyone who  
donated supplies, material and time. Also,  
thanks for donations to help with the shipping  
cost.

# Outreach and Mission

## Local

### Discipleship



#### Items Needed:

- \* Tuna & Tuna Helper
- \* Peanut Butter & Jelly
- \* Pancake Mix & Syrup  
(Just add water kind)
- \* Elbow Macaroni

The collection basket is located outside the church office. All items collected will be donated to Trinity Episcopal's food pantry.

### Keeping in Touch with Our Loving Care Members

Continue to remember our Loving Care members with cards, etc. especially as the holidays approach us. The Discipleship Committee challenges all members to think about ways each of us can be the hands and feet of Jesus by offering to take someone shopping or go get something they need, help wrap gifts or write cards. What seems little to you can be something very big to someone else!



The Giving Tree will be set up with names available the weekend of Nov. 12-13<sup>th</sup>. These gifts are for the Wish List through ACC; they must be brought back, wrapped,

by Sun. Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>. Additional names will be added again for the School Homeless Program.



## Global

### LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF



22 school kits were sent off with the quilts mid- October. Thanks to all who participated.

Our current collection is Baby Kits with a list of needed items on the bulletin board by the door. Help yourself to a list. Purchased items can be put in the Pack-n-Play by the door.

Community Outreach Money for September and October will go towards cost of shipping quilts and school kits.

**BREAD WEEKEND** will be put on hold until January 2017. We have sent a total of \$1,586.50 to the ELCA World Hunger Fund since starting the project February 2016.

**NOISY OFFERING** is collected the 4<sup>th</sup> weekend of the month. Some of this money is used for the support of our World Vision sponsored child, Ishimwe.

### Mark your calendars!!!

### **Christmas Caroling to Our Loving Care Members Sunday, December 11th**

We will be taking plates of cookies to them again this year.  
More details to follow!





## Christmas Trees Needed

The Besser Museum is in need of 6'-7' Christmas trees for this year's Season of Light exhibit. If you have a Christmas tree you aren't using that you would like to donate, it may be dropped off, no later than November 16, at the church office or the Besser Museum. Thanks!



## All Saints Parish Turkey Dinner



Date: **Saturday, November 5, 2016**

Time: **4:00 – 7:30 pm**

*Featuring Fresh Roasted Turkey, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Dressing, Squash, Vegetable Medley, Cranberry Sauce, Cole Slaw, Rolls, Assorted Homemade Pies & Desserts & Beverage.*

**Fall Raffle for \$2,000.00**

**with a chance to win up to**

**\$25,000.00**

**Also... Chinese Raffle & 50/50 Drawing**

Location: **Parish Center** (behind the church – Lockwood St., Alpena)

Adults tickets: **\$12.00**

Children (ages 5-12) **\$ 6.00**

**under 5 years of age eat Free!**

**Tickets sold in advance-only 500 tickets available!**

Take-outs will be available upon request!

All proceeds go to the Capital Improvement Fund.

For more information or tickets please call the Parish Office at: 354-3019

Office Hours: Monday thru Friday 8:00 am- 4:00 pm

*Let us do the cooking so that you can come and enjoy  
a great dinner with your friends and family!*



## ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH BAZAAR & BREAKFAST

**NOVEMBER 5, 2016**

**8 AM – 1:30 PM**

**VARIETY OF HANDCRAFTED ITEMS**

**COOKIE WALK - PANTRY ITEMS**

**BAKED GOODS - BUCKET AUCTION**

### HUNGRY?

**WE ARE SERVING A HOT BREAKFAST BUFFET!  
FEATURING A VARIETY OF BREAKFAST ITEMS LIKE  
SAUSAGE, EGGS, MUFFINS, FRESH FRUIT, BEVERAGES  
JUST TO MENTION A FEW!  
TAKE OUT'S AVAILABLE!**

**ADULTS: \$8 KIDS 5-12 YEARS: \$5**

**7109 WOLF CREEK ROAD, HERRON**

**989-727-2769**

## Children's Closet and Baby Pantry Donations Needed

As you are cleaning out closets and switching from summer to winter clothing, please consider donating outgrown clothing to Children's Closet and Baby Pantry, both located at St. Bernard's Parish Center at the Lockwood entrance. The entryway is open Monday thru Friday during the day to drop off donations from newborn thru sizes 16 and Junior (bigger boy clothing is strongly encouraged). Thank you! "Freely we have received, freely give." Matthew 10:8

## Recycling Update

Terracycle has eliminated some of the items we have been recycling. Here is an updated list:

- CEREAL BAGS (wax liners)
- GRANOLA/ENERGY BAR WRAPPERS
- PLASTIC DRINKING CUPS
- SNACK BAGS (chips/crackers)
- TOOTHBRUSH/TOOTHPASTE
- PERSONAL CARE (plastic soap bottles, shampoo, deodorant, gel, lotion)

Any household plastic can be recycled at GREENWAY RECYCLING on US 23 North

Pied Piper receives two cents for every item. Two cents seem like a little amount but as we all know, a lot of littles can add up to A LOT OF BIGS!!

Thank you for your support and please continue to recycle.

## Serving Our Country

Wesley Garant

AB Garant, Wesley R.

331 TRS/SLT 733 (Dorm 3A2

1320 Truemper St. UNIT 369550

Lackland AFB, TX 78236-6408

### Kid's Page Answers



## Blessings from the Lord

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"All these blessings will come on you and  
accompany you if you obey the Lord your God."  
Deuteronomy 28:2, NIV

## 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 .....Berniece Lyon ..... 464-7064

### ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

President.....Tom Lappan..... 356-3718  
Vice-President .....  
Exec. Secretary ....Sandy Malaski..... 356-6248  
Treasurer .....Dennis Werblow ..... 354-5560

### WORK GROUP LEADERS/COUNCIL

Education.....  
Worship .....Sharon Engstrom ..... 354-5133  
Discipleship .....Joelyn Rich ..... 340-0592  
Property .....Jeff & Sandy Welch ..... 595-2195  
Fellowship.....Jeanne Pankey ..... 354-2416  
.....Pat Schultz ..... 356-2781  
Finance.....Rick Engstrom..... 916-5963

### OTHER V.I.P.s

Stewardship... ..Wayne Christopherson .... 356-0430  
Youth Director .....Vicki Denstaedt ..... 916-9258  
WELCA .....Darleen Freel ..... 354-8866  
.....Dorothy Hansen..... 354-3563  
Samaritas .....Kay Grove ..... 727-2054  
Quilters .....Caroline Weise ..... 354-8060  
.....Dorothy Hansen..... 354-3563  
LARCC .....Eleanor Coddington..... 354-8766  
.....Kay Grove..... 727-2054

## OCTOBER 2016

### Finances

GENERAL FUND.....\$ 15,234.00  
BUILDING FUND..... 1,298.33  
CHRISTIAN GROWTH .....9.00  
OTHER ..... 5,804.29  
TOTAL.....\$ 22,345.62

### Attendance

SATURDAY WORSHIP (5) ..... 165  
SUNDAY WORSHIP (5) ..... 474  
TOTAL ..... 639

# OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE THE LORD

## NOVEMBER 2016

### ACOLYTES

06  
13  
20  
27

### HOSPITAL

JANET CHRONINGER

### LECTORS

06 PATTI TUCKER  
13 BEVERLY ATTWELL  
20 SANDY WELCH  
27 ANNA LEWIS

### USHERS

WAYNE & ANNA LEWIS  
CLARENCE & BONNIE CROSS  
MICK & KAY ZINSLI (Saturdays)

### GREETERS

06 DENNIS & CHERYL WERBLOW  
13 PHIL & PAM AGIUS FAMILY  
20 DUSTIN & ANGIE CRITTENDEN FAMILY  
27 BARB WERLE, ELLIE WALKER

### COUNTERS

DALE & PAT SCHULTZ

### COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

JOELYN RICH  
BEVERLY ATTWELL

### ALTAR GUILD

PHRAN LUDINGTON  
SANDRA CHRISTOPHERSON

### FLOWERS

06 LANG  
13 CODDINGTON  
20  
27 PLATT

### COFFEE HOUR

06 PAM KIRCHOFF, CHARLOTTE WERTH,  
JO ANN SMITH  
13 POLLY COOK, ELSA PHILLIPS,  
SANDRA CHRISTOPHERSON  
20 JEFF & SANDY WELCH  
27 WAYNE & CHRIS CHRISTOPHERSON

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scheduled duty AND share the change with Peggy. Thank you!***

# OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE THE LORD

## DECEMBER 2016

### ACOLYTES

04  
11  
18  
24

25

### HOSPITAL

JANET CHRONINGER

### LECTORS

04 MELISSA TIMMRECK  
11 BOB GREENE  
18 VICKI DENSTAEDT  
24 Early VERA FURZE  
Late DAWN ANDERSON  
25 JOE GENTRY

### USHERS

WAYNE & CHRIS CHRISTOPHERSON  
JOEL & CORINNE FRALEY  
CORKY GATES  
PHRAN LUDINGTON  
NIC TIMMRECK

### GREETERS

04 RICH & SHERIE MCTAGGART  
11 POLLY COOK, TAMMY FURZE  
18 WAYNE & CHRIS CHRISTOPHERSON  
24 Early CLARENCE & BONNIE CROSS  
Late VICKI, TREVOR & ISABELLE DENSTAEDT  
25 ROGER & JEANNE PANKEY

### COUNTERS

CLARENCE & BONNIE CROSS

### COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

WAYNE & CHRIS CHRISTOPHERSON  
PHRAN LUDINGTON

### ALTAR GUILD

GENTRY FAMILY  
DENSTAEDT FAMILY

### FLOWERS

04  
11 GOHLKE  
18 TUCKER  
25 CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

### COFFEE HOUR

04 BARB WERLE, ANGIE CRITTENDEN,  
ELLIE WALKER  
11 RUBY & OLIVIA HASKE  
18 JOE & DAWN GENTRY  
25 ROGER & JEANNE PANKEY

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# November

## Anniversaries of Baptism



**November 1**  
Beverly Suszek

**November 11**  
Jessica McKenzie

**November 12**  
Nicholas Schillerstrom

**November 13**  
Norman Schillerstrom

**November 21**  
Elaine Hatch

**November 23**  
Gudrun Seck  
Ashley Timmreck  
Madison Timmreck  
Melissa Timmreck  
Nicholas Timmreck  
Paige Timmreck  
Dan VanEssen

**November 24**  
Chris Christopherson

**November 26**  
Christy Jordan

**November 29**  
Scott Kuligowski  
Brian Schiller  
Ellie Walker



## Birthdays

**November 2**  
Olivia Haske  
Cindy Suszek

**November 4**  
Harold Kissau  
Britni Nowak

**November 5**  
Lori Graham

**November 8**  
Edward Jahnke  
Melissa Timmreck

**November 10**  
Hannah Matzke

**November 11**  
Linda Gapske  
Gracie Gillard  
Brent Welch

**November 12**  
Diane O'Connor

**November 13**  
Doug Chroninger

**November 15**  
Betty Dulebohn

**November 17**  
Kassandra McInerney

**November 18**  
Nancy Stachnik  
Karyn Vass

**November 20**  
Sherie McTaggart  
Judy Kautz

**November 21**  
Kevin Graham

**November 23**  
Lynn Kieliszewski  
Matthew Kieliszewski

**November 24**  
Melissa Chabot  
Tara Lang

**November 25**  
Monica Jahnke  
Erin McCourt

**November 26**  
Davis Crittenden

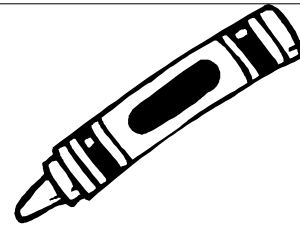
**November 28**  
Lisa McIntosh  
Brody Yuchasz

**November 30**  
Matthew Timrick

## Wedding Anniversaries

5th	Allen & Thelma Stevens
9th	Ian & Amelia Kamyszek
11th	Walter & Karen Spigelmyre
25th	Anthony & Laura Thompson

# Kid's Page



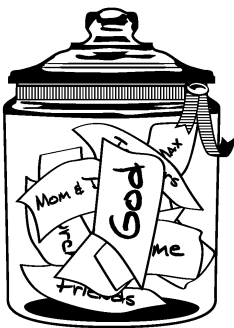
## BLESSINGS JAR

Thanksgiving reminds us of our many gifts from God. Count your blessings all month long with this craft.



### What you need:

- Jar
- Ribbon
- Scissors
- Glue
- 3 sheets of paper (different colors)
- Marker or pen



### What you do:

1. Measure and cut enough ribbon to wrap around the jar's neck, below the lid. Glue in place and let dry.
2. Fold each piece of paper in half three times, resulting in eight rectangles per sheet. Cut along the fold lines, and you'll have 24 rectangles.
3. Each day in November until Thanksgiving, write down one blessing from God. Then place that blessing in the jar.
4. On Thanksgiving, open the jar and read all your blessings to your family and friends.



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28:2, NIV

Answer: "All these blessings will come on you and accompany you if you obey the LORD your God." Deuteronomy 28:2, NIV

Answers found on page 5