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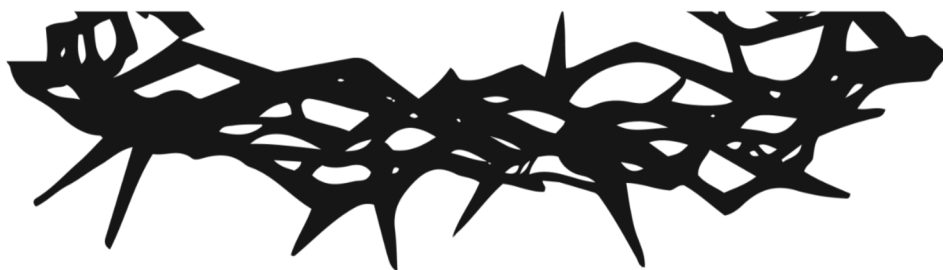
*November 22 & 23, 2025*



**CHRIST THE KING**

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**W E E K E N D**



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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, our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

C: Amen.

P: Trusting in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*(Silence is kept for reflection)*

P: Merciful and loving God,

C: **we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.**

P: Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. We who were lost have been found. In the name of + Jesus, our sins are forgiven!

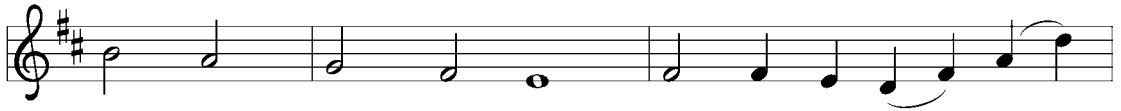
C: Amen.

#### GATHERING HYMN “Jesus Shall Reign”

R434



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -  
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es  
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his  
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners  
5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from  
 thron - e to crown his head; his name like sweet per -  
 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es  
 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -  
 hon - ors to our king; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
 fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.  
 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.  
 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.

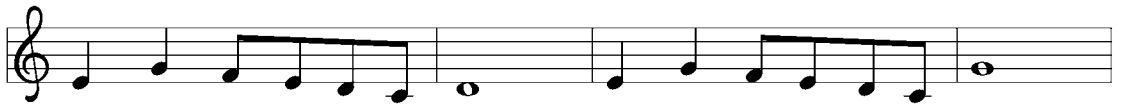
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## GREETING

**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 (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.

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

**O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## WORD

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

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

#### Jeremiah 23:1-6

*Today's reading builds on the common, ancient Near Eastern metaphor of the king as shepherd. Judah's unjust rulers have caused their people, their "flock," to be scattered. Nevertheless, God will raise up a new and righteous shepherd who will rule a restored Judah.*

<sup>1</sup> Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. <sup>2</sup> Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. <sup>3</sup> Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. <sup>4</sup> I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall no longer fear or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. <sup>5</sup> The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>6</sup> In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

**L:** The word of the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

#### Psalm 46

*I will be exalted among the nations. (Ps. 46:10)*

<sup>1</sup> God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present help in trouble.

<sup>2</sup> **Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,  
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

<sup>3</sup> though its waters rage and foam,  
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

<sup>4</sup> **There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

<sup>5</sup> God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;  
God shall help it at the break of day.

<sup>6</sup> **The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;  
God speaks, and the earth melts away.**

<sup>7</sup> The LORD of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

<sup>8</sup> **Come now, regard the works of the LORD,  
what desolations God has brought upon the earth;**

<sup>9</sup> behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;  
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

<sup>10</sup> **“Be still, then, and know that I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”**

<sup>11</sup> The LORD of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

**Colossians 1:11-20**

*An early Christian hymn praises the mystery of the political, personal, and mystical Christ, the one who was present at creation and is eternally reigning with God.*

<sup>11</sup> May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully <sup>12</sup> giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. <sup>13</sup> He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup> in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. <sup>15</sup> He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, <sup>16</sup> for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup> He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. <sup>19</sup> For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup> and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

**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**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

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

**Luke 23:33-43**

*Amid scoffing and slander from those who sarcastically call him Messiah and king, Jesus reveals that to be Messiah and king is to give one's life for others. Here he uses his power to welcome a despised sinner to paradise but puts his own death into God's hands.*

<sup>33</sup> When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>34</sup> [[Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."]] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. <sup>35</sup> And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" <sup>36</sup> The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine <sup>37</sup> and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" <sup>38</sup> There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." <sup>39</sup> One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" <sup>40</sup> But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" <sup>41</sup> And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." <sup>42</sup> Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom." <sup>43</sup> He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

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

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

**HOMILY**

(The assembly stands as they are comfortable)

**HYMN OF THE DAY**      “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

**R855**



1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;  
2 Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born,  
3 Crown him the Lord of love— be - hold his hands and side,  
4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave  
5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,



hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.  
whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn;  
rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.  
and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.  
cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,  
fruit of the mys - tic rose, yet of that rose the stem,  
No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,  
His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,  
All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem.  
but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.  
who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.  
thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800–1894, sts. 1–3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 4  
Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1816–1893 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:** receive 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...Lord of the harvest,

C: we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -



san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -



est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER/WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign...(concluding)...For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

P: Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

**C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we who share in Christ's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

**C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, 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: Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come to this meal of mercy.

## HOLY COMMUNION

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



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

**COMMUNION HYMN**

**“Beautiful Savior”**

**R838**

1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,  
2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,  
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,  
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!  
robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;  
bright the spar - kling stars on high;  
Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,  
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,  
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,  
Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.  
than all the an - gels in the sky.  
now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904  
Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.

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*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...O God,

C: **through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.**

## SENDING

### BLESSING

P: The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free,+ bless us now and forever.

C: Amen.

### SENDING HYMN

“Lift High the Cross

R660



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till



all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,  
2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied  
3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,  
4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:



our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.  
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.  
as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.  
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Text: George W. Kitchin, 1827–1912; rev. Michael R. Newbolt, 1874–1956

Music: CRUCIFER, Sydney H. Nicholson, 1875–1947

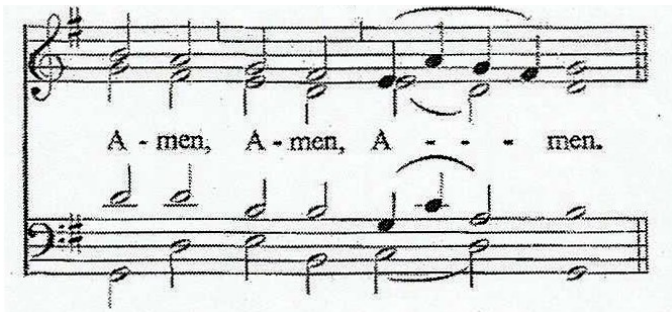
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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**P:** Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

**C:** Thanks be to God.



A - men, A - men, A - - - men.

The image shows a musical score for the word "Amen". It consists of two staves: a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature has two sharps (F# and C#), and the time signature is 4/4. The vocal line begins with a whole note "A", followed by a half note "men", then another whole note "A", followed by a half note "men", and finally a long note for "A" with a dash underneath, followed by a half note "men". The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines in both hands.

## POSTLUDE

## **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 Thanksgiving for God's Many Blessings

### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Bonnie Cross, Anna Lewis, Darlene Freel, Hope Kamyszek, Bill Whitscell, Joanne Kindt, Sandy Malaski, Janet Chroninger, Elfie Jahnke, Budd & Marlene Jobson, Meredith Smith, Robert Larsen, Elaine Hatch, Scott Lancaster, Dorothy Hansen, Emma Nelson, Michele Amelotte, Jim Malaski -- Maria Shelton, Paul Kroll, Jim Marquardt, Harry & Aggie Jakubiak, Jerry McConnell, Lisa Creger, Lysie, Becky & Dante, Lyle Beck, Candy & Tom Laughlin, Margaret Kamyszek, Michelle, Joan Vanover, Paige Lancewicz, Randy Thiem, Mychele Allmacher, Deborah Al-Duwaisan, Daphne Flack, Linda, Kaye Harry, Sandra Beck, Laura Fettes (Don Cross' granddaughter), Donna Kendziorski, Jeff Kendziorski, Geraldine Rhoads, Herb Schiller, Jimmy Lappan, Donna Hatch, Jordyn, Maggie, and Joseph Hansen. Military: Will Stafford (Rich & Sherie McTaggart's grandson) and Amelia Berles - pilot training.

*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 Faith Formation Program at All Saints Catholic Parish. Our Synod Prayer Partners for this week: Victory Lutheran/Ludington, Rev. Ron Iris; 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.

## **ADULT CE CLASS – NOVEMBER 23 - *CHANGE!!***

The Farmers' Almanac is ceasing publication next year after 208 years.

***CHANGE!!!*** How do we respond to and deal with change, in the world and in our faith? I invite you to think of all the change you have experienced in your life. What new have you appreciated and valued and what old do you miss? How do we adjust? (This is ***NOT*** The Old Farmer's Almanac which continues.) Let's talk at 11 in the Lounge.

## **FEEDING KIDS MINISTRY PACKING - MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24 - 5:30 PM**

Join us as we assemble and pack up the weekend food packs for kids on Monday evening at Sunset School. With a good crew, we are done in under an hour. Let's help out and take on some hunger issues in our community. Sign up in the Office Lobby or call the office to let us know you will be there.

## **2025 CHRISTMAS WISH LIST TREE**

The Christmas Wish List sponsored by United Way of Northeast Michigan has officially kicked off matching gift recipients to donors.

Grace Lutheran's Christmas Giving Tree is in the Office Lobby with tags for items needed. Girl's tags are the red ornaments and the boy's lime green. Each ornament lists the item needed. **If you take a tag please have the gift returned by Sunday November 30th. Please wrap the gift and label it with the child's name and most important, have the code on the label. i.e., TB249.** Thank you for your participation. United Way expects to serve nearly 400 children with basic needed items.

## **CHRISTMAS DECORATING - JOIN US NOVEMBER 30 AFTER WORSHIP**

We're putting up the tree and the greens and the candles on Sunday, November 30th. Join in preparing the church for the season. We will have sub sandwiches following the decorating. **Please sign the sheet in the Office Lobby so we have a count for the subs. If you would like to bring a salad or dessert to go with the subs, please notate that on the sign-up sheet.**

## **BAKE SALE - DECEMBER 6**

The Ruth Circle is planning a bake sale at Grace on **December 6 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.** Donations of baked goods, canned items and craft items from the congregation are greatly appreciated to make this a success. We depend on the bake sale money to enable us to donate to 11 charities from Grace Lutheran Church through the Ruth Circle. **Bake sale items can be brought to the church on Friday, December 5 beginning at 8 a.m. and continuing throughout the day until 5 p.m.** Any questions, please call Darlene Freel at 989-464-0085. Please also let us know if you can help on Friday or Saturday. Thank you!

## **CHRISTMAS CARDS TO SIGN - NOVEMBER 22/23**

Please stop in the Office Lobby this weekend to sign Christmas cards for our Loving Care Members.

## **GRACE LUTHERAN THANKSGIVING DINNER!**

**Thursday, November 27, 2025 ~ 5 p.m.**

Grace Lutheran will provide a church family Thanksgiving Day dinner at 5:00 pm. The turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy will be provided. Everyone is welcome to bring a dish to pass – your favorite side, dessert, rolls, salads, whatever you feel inclined to bring! We will offer delivery to our Loving Care Members at 4:00 pm to allow them to also partake in our Thanksgiving Dinner. **For delivery, please call Peggy at 989-354-2640.** Delivery will be made shortly after 4:00 p.m. so our delivery crew can make it back to eat as well. *If you can help with delivery please contact Peggy so she can list the drivers we will have as well.*

Please sign up and include the number attending and the dish you wish to bring and share. (Sign-up sheets are located in the Office Narthex.) There is also a sign-up sheet for Set-Up Committee and Clean-Up Committee for those who want to assist. **Requests for delivered meals need to be called in to the church by Sunday, November 23 so deliveries can be coordinated.** All are welcome!

## **NEW THIS YEAR!**

Craft tables will be set up in the Fellowship Hall and we will be **making ornaments**. So come a little early or after you finish dinner and plan to help us make these **special gifts to send to our Loving Care Members**.

## **HELP US PUT A CARE PACKAGE TOGETHER FOR LOVING CARE MEMBERS**

We would also like your help putting a care package together for each of our Loving Care Members and delivering them in early December. **WE WILL NEED TO PUT 15 PACKAGES TOGETHER. These packages will include: a regular cube of Kleenex (Meijer has one that has a winter/holiday scene this time of year), a can of soup like Chunky, Progresso, heart healthy or reduced sodium, a small Jello cup/pudding cup.** An ornament made at Thanksgiving will be placed on each package.

*If you would like to help with this project, please sign the sheet in the Office Lobby. Donated items for this project may be placed in the basket in the Office Lobby.*

## **CHRISTMAS CAROLING**

We will go Christmas caroling around the community on Sunday, December 14. More info coming soon!

## **THERE IS ONLY 1 BALLOON REMAINING!**

Balloon No. 2 has touched the table. Get your guesses in for when No. 5 comes down. Last day to enter will be December 14th.

## **THERE IS A WINNER!!!!**

Ed Czarniecki texted Donna that he had watched the whole service from his deer blind. And Donna told me before I was out of the sanctuary after worship. Congrats Ed for watching the WHOLE service and knowing the challenge at the end during announcements.

## **SAMARITAS LOOKING FOR BOARD MEMBERS**

Are you passionate about making a difference in your community? Samaritas Affordable Living of Alpena - a HUD-supported senior housing community - is seeking dedicated individuals to join our Board of Directors. As a board member, you'll have the opportunity to: share your experience and ideas to support our mission; advise and collaborate with our property management team; help shape the future of affordable senior housing in Alpena; and strengthen connections between residents and the wider community. We welcome individuals from all backgrounds - especially those with experience in community service, senior care, nonprofit leadership, finance, or housing - who are eager to lend their time and talents to support local talents. **Board meetings are held quarterly, throughout the year on the 3rd Monday of the month from 1:30 -2:30 pm at our Affordable Living Alpena property.** If you're ready to make a lasting impact and help enhance the quality of life for older adults in our community, we'd love to hear from you! Contact: Jenny Edmonds, Property Manager at 989.356.6725 or email: [jedmo@samaritas.org](mailto:jedmo@samaritas.org).

## **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.



# November



## Birthdays

**November 2**  
Olivia Haske  
Cindy Suszek

**November 14**  
Mary Bock

**November 4**  
Britni Nowak

**November 17**  
Chloe Hayward  
Kassandra McInerney

**November 5**  
Raylynn Suszek

**November 18**  
Nancy Stachnik  
Karyn Vass

**November 7**  
Phyllis Colagross

**November 20**  
Kelli Liske  
Sherie McTaggart  
Chris Moors

**November 8**  
Melissa Timmreck

**November 10**  
Hannah Matzke

**November 25**  
Jeffrey Diamond  
Monica Jahnke  
Erin McCourt

**November 11**  
Gracie Gillard  
Brent Welch

**November 26**  
Bruno Hirzel

**November 12**  
Diane O'Connor

**November 28**  
Lisa McIntosh  
Brody Yuchasz

**November 13**  
Doug Chroninger

**November 30**  
Matthew Timrick

## Anniversaries of Baptism



**November 9**  
Mary Bock

**November 24**  
Chris Christopherson

**November 11**  
Jessica McKenzie  
Rodney Szymanski

**November 25**  
Emmett Suszek

**November 12**  
Nicholas Schillerstrom

**November 26**  
Bruno Hirzel

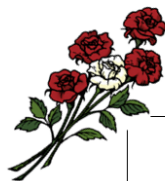
**November 13**  
Norman Schillerstrom

**November 27**  
Beckett Granata

**November 21**  
Elaine Hatch

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

**November 23**  
Ashley Timmreck-Walker  
Madison Timmreck  
Melissa Timmreck  
Nicholas Timmreck  
Paige Timmreck



## Wedding Anniversaries

4th	Bill & Mary Bock
9th	Ian & Amelia Kamyszek
25th	Anthony & Laura Thompson
27th	Alex & Anna-Marie Struble

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

### Sunday – 23rd

8:50 am Choir Practice  
9:00 am Sunday School  
**9:30 am Worship**  
11:00 am Adult Ed - Lounge

### Monday - 24th

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

### Tuesday - 25th

8am-noon Church Office Open  
9:00 am Sewing/Quilting  
11:00 am Pastors Text Study -  
Lounge

### Wednesday - 26th

8am-noon Church Office Open  
All Day Kitchen Reserved -  
Thanksgiving Meal Prep  
6:00 pm Bell Choir Practice

### Thursday - 27th

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED  
5:00 pm Thanksgiving Dinner  
at Grace

### Friday - 28th

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

### Saturday - 29th

5:00 pm Worship

## SERVING NOVEMBER 22/23

**Ministers** ..... God's People  
**Pastor**.....Rev. Tom Orth  
**Music Director**..... Claire Witt  
**Recorded Accompaniment** .....Kat Tomaszewski  
**Comm. Asst.**..... Wayne & Chris Christopherson  
**Lector** ..... Sandy Welch  
**Ushers**..... Gary & Kay Grove, Rick Engstrom,  
Cindy Domrase (Saturday)  
**Greeters** ..... Wayne & Chris Christopherson  
**Altar Guild**..... Sandy Welch, Karen Slight  
**Livestream Team**.....Dawn Anderson, Jan Charter,  
Don LaBarre, Alex Struble  
**Counters**..... Wayne & Chris Christopherson,  
Darlene Freel  
**Coffee Hour** ..... Joel & Cindy Suszek

## SERVING NOVEMBER 29/30

**Ministers** ..... God's People  
**Pastor**.....Rev. Tom Orth  
**Music Director**..... Claire Witt  
**Recorded Accompaniment** .....Kat Tomaszewski  
**Comm. Asst.**..... Wayne & Chris Christopherson  
**Lector** ..... Joe Gentry  
**Ushers**..... Gary & Kay Grove, Rick Engstrom,  
Cindy Domrase (Saturday)  
**Greeters** .....Mary Rowader, Cindy Domrase  
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**Large print worship folders & hearing  
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