

✠ TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ✠
Saturday, 5:00 p.m., November 10, 2018 ~ Sunday, 9:30 a.m., November 11, 2018

Grace Lutheran's Purpose Statement

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

HYMNS

G-R707

Psalms 146

D-R679

C-R790

S-R441

Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

(Psalms begin page 339)

For the Fruit of All Creation

Day by Day

Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand

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 worshipping 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 5 LARCC parishes. Today we pray for the Administration Ministries at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

LARGE PRINT WORSHIP FOLDERS

Large print worship folders, including hymns and weekly bulletin are available. Please ask the ushers for one.

PRAYERS

Julie Troy, Jim Clemens, Bev Attwell, Debbie Anderson, Elfie Jahnke, Lorraine Leathead, Gloria Moore, Harold & Jean Kissau, Jim Malaski, Karen & Walter Spigelmyre, Emma Nelson, Joseph Hansen, Roger Schultz, Violet McLaren, Brad Grove, Brian Gustafson, Baby Samuel, Evelyn Smith, Margaret Nosko, Reed Werth, Mark Jackson, Patricia Denstaedt, Debbie Weir, Scott Coddington, Mimi, David Schaedig, Bishop Craig Satterlee, Cody Gustin, Dennis Diamond. We also remember the family of Elizabeth Priebe, who passed away on November 2nd.

ALTAR FLOWERS

In memory of Don Coddington and in honor of Diane Coddington and Diane O'Connor, given by Eleanor Coddington.

**SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11**

Following 9:30 a.m. Worship

On the agenda: budget adoption, election of officers, adoption of Memorial & Gifts Policy.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all who helped make our card/game night a success. We had 100+ participants and raised \$1,015.05 for the Quilting Group to help locally and globally. Your help was and is greatly appreciated!

Grace Quilters

**COLLEGE STUDENTS'
ADDRESSES NEEDED**

If you have a student away at college, please call or email the church office with their address. We would like to stay connected with them throughout the school year. Thanks!

Discipleship Work Group

NURSERY AVAILABLE

We have a nursery staffed by an adult available during our Sunday worship service time. If you have a child that worship is too long for or they need to move around or today is just a tough day for them, let the nursery attendant or ushers know and they will show you through the basement to our nursery space in the Fellowship Hall.

YULEFEST BAKE SALE

The Ruth Circle is planning a Yulefest Bake Sale at Grace again this year on December 1st. Please begin to check your recipes for all kinds of goodies. We depend on everyone to help us make this a success. If you can help set up on Friday or help the day of the sale, please phone Darlene Freel at 354-8866.

**THANKSGIVING DINNER AT GRACE
November 22 at 5:00 p.m.**

Turkey, dressing, potatoes & gravy & drinks provided. Please sign-up on the sheet in the Narthex by 11/18/18 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.**

QUILTING PROGRESS FOR 2018

This year the Quilters made a total of 180 quilts. We sent 141 quilts to Lutheran World Relief and the other 39 went to graduates and other events; 50 school kits, 14 baby layettes, 25 sewing kits, 22 personal care kits, 17 bars of soap. We would like to thank everyone for all the support and donations throughout the year. Since 1984 we've made a total of 3,832 quilts.

Sincerely, Kay Grove

CHRISTMAS WISH LIST TREE

The Christmas Wish List tree is up and there are tags on it. The tags represent 4 families, a total of 14 people in the community we are helping with Christmas gifts. The tags have the name, age and sex of each individual on one side and the items needed on the other side. The gifts are to be returned to the church, wrapped and with the tag attached (for identification purposes) no later than Sunday Dec. 2. Thank you for helping to make a Christ-like difference in our community.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday - 11th

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Choir - Lounge
9:30 a.m. **Worship**
Semi-Annual Meeting
follows worship in the
Fellowship Hall

Tuesday - 13th

9:00 a.m. Quilting/Sewing
5:00 p.m. Worship Work Group
6:00 p.m. Choir - Lounge

Wednesday - 14th

1:00 p.m. Ruth Circle - Lounge
3-4:30 p.m. Sanctuary Reserved
6:30 p.m. Bell Choir - Sanctuary

Thursday - 15th

5:00 p.m. Sanctuary Reserved

Saturday - 17th

5:00 p.m. **Worship**

SERVING NOVEMBER 11-12

Ministers God's People
Pastor Rev. Tom Orth
Music Director David Delano
Lector Donna Czarnecki
Communion Assts. Jeanne Pankey, Phran Ludington
Ushers .. Roger & Jeanne Pankey, Don Furze, Matt,
Everett & Olivia Haske, Bruce Anschuetz (Sat.)
Greeters Rick & Sharon Engstrom
Hospital Janet Chroninger
Altar Guild Sandy Welch, Karen Slaght
Counters Dale & Pat Schultz
Coffee Hour Dawn Anderson, Phran Ludington
Cookie/Doughnut Pick Up. Paul & Vicki Denstaedt

SERVING NOVEMBER 17-18

Ministers God's People
Pastor Rev. Tom Orth
Music Director David Delano
Lector Verna Furze
Communion Assts. Joelyn Rich, Phran Ludington
Ushers .. Roger & Jeanne Pankey, Don Furze, Matt,
Everett & Olivia Haske, Bruce Anschuetz (Sat.)
Greeters Don, Verna & Tammy Furze
Hospital Janet Chroninger
Altar Guild Sandy Welch, Karen Slaght
Counters Dale & Pat Schultz
Coffee Hour Joel & Cindy Suszek
Cookie/Doughnut Pick Up. Paul & Vicki Denstaedt

GENERAL FUND GIVING

Average needed each week to meet budget	\$ 4,225.00
Weekly giving - November 3/4	4,534.00
Year-to-date over/(under)	\$ (2,412.37)

FIRST READING

1 Kings 17:8-16

⁸The word of the LORD came to [Elijah,] saying, ⁹"Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you."

¹⁰So he set out and went to Zarephath.

When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." ¹¹As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand."

¹²But she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." ¹³Elijah said to

her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth." ¹⁵She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

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SECOND READING Hebrews 9:24-28

²⁴Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; ²⁶for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, ²⁸so

Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

GOSPEL Mark 12:38-44

³⁸As [Jesus] taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! ⁴⁰They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." ⁴¹He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴²A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. ⁴³Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

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