

✠ **TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST** ✠
 Saturday, 5:00 p.m., October 22, 2016 ~ Sunday, 9:30 a.m., October 23, 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."

HYMNS

(All hymns on insert)

Saturday

Prelude	Be Here Now Coming Home
G	Lord I Need You
D	10,000 Reasons
Offertory	Offering
S	I Will Follow
Postlude	Hold Us Together

Sunday

Prelude	Be Here Now Coming Home
G	Lord I Need You
Kyrie	I Am Redeemed
Hymn of Praise	Lord, I Lift Your Name on High
Gospel	Your Grace is Enough
D	10,000 Reasons
Offertory	Offering
Communion	Holy, Holy, Holy Traditional Lamb of God
Special Music	Oceans
S	I Will Follow
Postlude	Hold Us Together

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.

PRAYERS

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.

ALTAR FLOWERS

In celebration of Dale & Pat Schultz's wedding anniversary (Oct. 24) and Alan & Darlene Freel's 50th wedding anniversary (Oct. 29).

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 Lay Eucharistic Ministers at Trinity Episcopal Church.

LARGE PRINT WORSHIP FOLDERS

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

RUTH CIRCLE

The Women of Grace (Ruth Circle) will meet on Wednesday, October 26, at 1:00pm in the lounge. *Please note that our monthly meeting day has been changed to the 4th Wednesday of each month.* The Bible study, "When God forgives the guilty," is from the *Gather* magazine and can be found on the internet at gathermagazine.org. There will also be time for a short meeting and refreshments with Darlene Freel as hostess. All women are welcome without obligation.

THANKS FROM THE QUILTERS

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.

ST MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH

7109 Wolf Creek Rd., Herron

BAZAAR & BREAKFAST

November 5, 2016

8 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Variety of handcrafted items, cookie walk, pantry items, baked goods and bucket auction. Serving a hot breakfast buffet featuring sausage, eggs, muffins, fresh fruit, and beverages. Take-out available. Adults \$8/Kids 5-12 years \$5.

NEW SCHEDULES

New schedules for the 2016-2017 year have been completed and are posted on the scheduling board in the hallway by the fellowship hall. Paper copies are available to be picked up and schedules are also posted on the website at www.gracelutheran-alpena.org

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Semi-Annual Meeting

Sunday, November 6

Following worship

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday - 23rd

NOISY OFFERING WEEKEND

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

Tuesday - 25th

9:00 a.m. Sewing/Quilting

7:00 p.m. Council

Wednesday - 26th

1:00 p.m. Ruth Circle - Lounge

3 pm - 9 pm Dining Hall/Kitchen
Reserved

5:00 p.m. Sanctuary Reserved

Saturday - 29th

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

GENERAL FUND GIVING

Average needed each week to meet budget	\$ 3,981.00
Weekly giving - October 16	\$ 3,115.00
Year-to-date over/(under)	(\$ 8,415.00)

SERVING THIS WEEK

Ministers God's People

Pastor Rev. Tom Orth

Music Director Berniece Lyon

Lector Cheryl Werblow

Communion Assts. Paul & Vicki Denstaedt
Karen Slaght

Ushers Roger & Jeanne Pankey, Don Furze,
Sandra Christopherson, Matt, Everett
& Olivia Haske

Greeters Jack & Patti Tucker

Hospital Janet Chroninger

Altar Guild Cindy Suszek, Cheryl Werblow

Counters Gary & Kay Grove

Coffee Hour Eleanor Coddington
Dawn Anderson

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FIRST READING Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

⁷Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name's sake; our apostasies indeed are many, and we have sinned against you. ⁸O hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveler turning aside for the night? ⁹Why should you be like someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help? Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not forsake us! ¹⁰Thus says the LORD concerning this people: Truly they have loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet; therefore the LORD does not accept them, now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins. ¹⁹Have you completely rejected Judah? Does your heart loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us? We look for peace, but find no good; for a time of healing, but there is terror instead. ²⁰We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you. ²¹Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us. ²²Can any idols of the nations bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Is it not you, O LORD our God? We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this.

PSALM 84:1-7 (Psalms begin page 339)

SECOND READING 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

⁶As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has

come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. ¹⁶At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! ¹⁷But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL Luke 18:9-14

⁹[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' ¹³But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

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