

✠ **SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST** ✠
Saturday, 5:00 p.m., June 22, 2019 ~ Sunday, 9:30 a.m., June 23, 2019

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-R658

Psalm 22:19-28

D-R610

C-R729

S-R617

O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts

(Psalms begin page 339)

O Christ, the Healer, We Have Come

The Church of Christ, in Every Age

We Come to You for Healing, Lord

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 5 LARCC parishes. This weekend we pray for the Homebound Ministry at All Saints Catholic Parish.

LARGE PRINT WORSHIP FOLDERS

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

PRAYERS

Patti Tucker, Diane Prevost, Tammy Furze, Julie Troy, Dorothy Hansen, Jim Clemens, Bev Attwell, Lorraine Leathead, Gloria Moore, Harold & Jean Kissau, Jim Malaski, Karen & Walter Spigelmyre, Emma Nelson, Bishop Craig Satterlee, Chris & Sarah Smith & Family, Christopher Cross, Ellen, Edna Delano, Yvonne Stoll, Margaret Crafts, Bill Carr, John Odstreil, Jordyn AnnMarie, Heather and Family, Joseph Hansen, Patricia Denstaedt, Scott Coddington, Cody Gustin.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God.

PEACE POLE PILGRIMAGE

**Sunday, June 23, beginning at 2 p.m.
at All Saints Parish (St. Anne's)**

Participants will caravan from there to 8 other sites. The theme will revolve around the United Nations' Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

SUNDAY ADULT CE FOR JUNE 16

Change! In Church!

How do you feel about the contemporary version of the Lord's Prayer we are using in worship in this Season after Pentecost? What about other changes in church and worship and thinking across the years and centuries? Are you comfortable with them? Do they help or hinder faith and living it out? Join us at 11 in the Lounge as share out thoughts about our faith.

SUNDAY ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FOR JULY AND AUGUST

Our Sunday adult class will be using *Dialogue On: Sexuality* an ELCA curriculum as our class for 7 weeks in July & August. The material is designed to have faithful conversations around controversial and difficult topics bringing different perspectives together through active communication and listening, allowing individual opinions to be heard and respected, while creating a community for living together. **Books are \$10 and need to be ordered by June 23.** See Pastor Tom for more information.

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.

HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES AVAILABLE

We have individual devices to help people hear the services more. Pick them up from the ushers in the Sound Room. There are headphones available. Or hearing aids with T Coil activated will be able to receive the sound directly from the devices you take to your seat.

NRN MISSION TRIP

The NRN Mission Trip Co-Leaders are compiling a list of people interested in going on the next MISSION TRIP in June 2020. Please sign-up on sheet at Grace Lutheran or contact anyone from our Co-Leaders: Marsha Hoppe - 354-8903, Staci Chroninger - 989-657-5051, or Vicki Denstaedt - 989-916-9258. We will be holding an organizational meeting for fundraising plans, etc.. within a month.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS starts up again this year on July 8, Monday through Friday, at first United Methodist Church where it was last year. Children ages 5 through 12 are invited to sign up. We also need volunteers again this year youth over 13 and adults. Six church's are participating again this year. Sign up sheet for volunteering is in the Office Narthex as well as applications for you to fill out stating your child's information. Hope to see your children or others in the community as all are welcome! **A sign-up sheet for snack items needed for Grace's "Snack Day" is located in the Office Narthex.**

DRIVEWAY FUND

Thanks to all of your generous contributions, we have reached our goal and retired our Driveway Fund balance. Additional money collected above our Driveway Fund balance has been placed in our Building Fund. **THANK YOU!**

DRIVEWAY FUND MONTHLY GIVING

Monthly Goal	\$ 575.00
June Giving	1,060.00
Transferred to Building Fund	176.62
Driveway Fund Balance	\$ 0.00

SAVE THE DATE

**Community Celebrating & Sharing Dinner
October 13, 2019 at the Apex**

Many committees are in need of help: cashiers, auction, emcee for the auction, ticket sales, raffle tickets, desserts. Please contact Dawn Anderson (657-6923) or Cheryl Werblow (255-8105) if you are able to help.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday - 23rd **Noisy Offering Weekend**
9:30 a.m. **Worship**
11:00 a.m. Adult Ed - Lounge
2:00 p.m. Peace Pole Pilgrimage -
Beginning at St. Anne's

Wednesday - 26th
3-5:00 p.m. Kitchen Reserved
3-4:30 p.m. Lounge Reserved

Thursday - 27th
8 am-3 pm Kitchen Reserved
5:00 p.m. Sanctuary Reserved

Saturday - 29th
5:00 p.m. **Worship**

SERVING JUNE 22-23

Ministers God's People
Pastor Rev. Tom Orth
Music Director David Delano
Lector Paul Denstaedt
Communion Assts. Dale Schultz, Sherie McTaggart
Ushers Wayne & Chris Christopherson, Jo Ann Smith, June Daly, Vicki Piontkowski (Saturdays)
Greeters Steve & Janie Hansen
Hospital Janet Chroninger
Altar Guild Joanne Nicholls, Kathy Piontkowski
Counters Cheryl Lang, Cindy Suszek
Coffee Hour Joel & Cindy Suszek
Cookie/
Doughnut Pick Up Rich & Sherie McTaggart

SERVING JUNE 29-30

Ministers God's People
Pastor Rev. Tom Orth
Music Director David Delano
Lector Verna Furze
Communion Assts. Dale Schultz, Sherie McTaggart
Ushers Wayne & Chris Christopherson, Jo Ann Smith, June Daly, Vicki Piontkowski (Saturdays)
Greeters Clarence & Bonnie Cross
Hospital Janet Chroninger
Altar Guild ... Joanne Nicholls, Kathy Piontkowski
Counters Cheryl Lang, Cindy Suszek
Coffee Hour Dawn Anderson, Phran Ludington
Cookie/
Doughnut Pick Up Rich & Sherie McTaggart

FIRST READING **Isaiah 65:1-9**

¹I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, "Here I am, here I am," to a nation that did not call on my name. ²I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; ³a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; ⁴who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; ⁵who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. ⁶See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps ⁷their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. ⁸Thus says the LORD: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it," so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. ⁹I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from

Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

PSALM 22:19-28 (Psalms begin page 339)

SECOND READING Galatians 3:23-29

²³Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

GOSPEL Luke 8:26-39

²⁶Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—²⁹for Jesus had

commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.)

³⁰Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. ³¹They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. ³²Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. ³⁴When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

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