

# GOOD NEWS FROM GRACE

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*Praising God + Serving Others + Building Friendships*

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**APRIL 8 & 9, 2017**

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE** (through Memorial Day)

**Sat.** – 5:00 pm    **Sun.** - 8:30 am & 10:45 am

**APRIL 15 & 16, 2017**

**HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES**

**Maundy Thursday & Good Friday** - 1:00 & 7:00 pm

**Sat. Easter Vigil** – 7:00 PM

**Easter Sunday** – 6:30, 8:30 & 10:45 AM

**Easter Breakfast** – Following 6:30 & 8:30 services

**Easter Bag Hunt** – 9:30 am

**THANK YOU**—Prayers really work! I felt them. God’s Love, Grace, and all of you played an important part of my long stay in the hospital. I accepted and listened to God’s will for me! Thank you to Pastor Mark and Pastor Cannady for visiting me often, and praying with me when I was at Aspirus.

*Debbie & Don Narloch, Addie, Hunter & Family*

**THANK YOU!** The Fellowship Committee sends a heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported our Lenten Soup Meals. Thank you for making soup, donating supplies, working in the kitchen, and for sharing a meals with us. Whatever you did, please know how much we appreciate **you**.

**THANK YOU** Debbie Schultz, Dorothy Kind, Al Overhaug, Karen Torkelson, and Sue Mielke for helping in the church office while we spent vacation time with our families over spring break! You are the best!

*Debbie Hetzel & Sarah Mann*

## **EASTER SERVICES – PLEASE HELP!**

See the sign-up sheet on the Welcome Center, or go to our web site and click on “Signup Genius.”

## **EASTER BREAKFAST – ALL ARE WELCOME**

Easter Breakfast will follow the 6:30 & 8:30 am services. The 2017 Wilderness group will host the breakfast.

**EASTER BAG HUNT – EASTER SUNDAY** following the 8:30 am service. This will take place on the lower level.

## **Youth News - Middle & High School**

- **Youth Night-April 15 - 4:00 to 6:30 pm**  
Easter Bag stuffing, hiding, and decorating. Easter Pizza and fellowship to follow. Afterward, join us for the Easter Vigil at 7:00 pm if you are able.
- **Easter Bag Hunt - Easter Sunday - 9:30 am to 10:45 am**  
Please come to help the younger children find their Easter Bags.

**BEN’S BLOOMERS & CERNY’S GIFT CARDS** will be available this weekend from the 2017 Wilderness Group. Spring is here! It’s time to start thinking “GARDEN.”

**VDC ULTREYA**—This Sunday, **April 9, 2017**, all those who have attended Via de Cristo (and adults interested in learning more about VDC) are invited to attend a reunion (Ultreya) at Trinity Lutheran Church, 235 N. Stevens St., Rhinelander. This event begins at 3:00 p.m. and will include the annual meeting with election of council members, a potluck dinner, short worship service, and fellowship time to re-connect with others who have attended Via de Cristo. If you have any questions please contact Nancy Kind, Grace VDC rep at (715) 224-3285 or Pastor Mark. **Wear your cross and nametag!**

## **HEALTHY COOKING DEMONSTRATION—APRIL 20—6:00 PM**

Grace Lutheran is hosting “Roasting Vegetables A-Z,” a healthy cooking class. This program show you how to spice up your vegetable routine, and give you shopping tips to save you time and money. There will be a roasting pan demonstration and food tasting. Please register by calling the church office, (715) 453-4066.

## **CONGREGATION RETREAT – APRIL 22, 9:00-1:00, lunch included**

Our synod office will lead this retreat for ages 10-100. A wide variety of ages are needed for identifying the assets that Grace and the Tomahawk area have. The outcome of this retreat is to more clearly discern the unique gifts we have as individuals, Grace, and Tomahawk for us to best serve our neighbors, witness to God’s love, and deepen the bonds of our community.

**THE SHACK BOOK**—Copies are available to purchase in the Gathering Area. The price to purchase them has gone up and is now \$9.00. Please put your cash or check inside the envelope provided. You may drop it in the offering or slide it under the office door.

**GRACE VISIT TO GREATER GALILEE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

**Saturday-Sunday - May 6-7 - Milwaukee**

Please contact the Church Office to register your interest. Saturday will be activities with Greater Galilee to both experience and also hear their story of faith and life in the central city area of Milwaukee and as an African-American. Sunday we attend Sunday School and Worship at Greater Galilee. This visit is a profound experience as we walk together and build relationships across denominations, ethnic groups, and geographic locations. Greater Galilee is a member of the National Baptist Convention and American Baptist Churches USA.

**THE GREAT LASAGNA & DESSERT COOK OFF – MAY 12**

The Wilderness trip group will be sponsoring the Great Lasagna & Dessert Cook Off on May 12. **Dig out your favorite recipes and join in the fun.** Sign up will start on April 17th watch for more information to come.

**HYMNALS**—Inspired by this year’s emphasis on worship and praising God, the Worship Committee is pursuing use of the cranberry Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) Hymnal to bring new opportunities to enhance our worship. **You can sponsor a hymnal for \$22.50.** If you wish your gift to be in memory or honor of someone, please indicate that on your envelope. This information will be shown on a book tag on the hymnal’s inside cover.

**MINISTRY FAIR – APRIL 29/30—SAVE THIS DATE** See the insert in this bulletin.

**SPECIAL OFFERING FOR APRIL**—The special offering for April is the Grace Endowment Fund which was established in 1998. The purpose is to serve as a means for donors who wish, through their charitable and tax deductible gift, to advance the mission of the church by providing funding for special missions, scholarships, and outreach ministries of Grace Lutheran Church. The committee has six members, a council liaison, and two financial advisors. All distributions are from income only, never touching the principal. We also distribute only 90 percent of the income with the other 10 percent reinvested to continue the growth of the fund. Typically, there have been 4 to 8 or so students applying for the scholarship funds. Whatever the income has been for that year is divided equally among the applicants. Last year, Carly Wahl was the only applicant. She was the very happy recipient of \$1,907 to be used for her graduate class tuition. Gifts to the endowment fund can be in the form of: bequests in wills, life insurance, trusts, certificates of deposit, cash, stocks, bonds and real estate. As stated earlier, all gifts are tax deductible. Committee members are: Joan Hilgendorf, John Krueger, Jack Lauder, Lori Pietschmann and Chris Raasch. Council liaison is Ken Kincaid. Advisors are Pam Kopp and Art Osero.

OUR FINANCIAL PICTURE  
2017

	Feb. 2017	Needed for	RECEIPTS	ACTUAL	RECEIPTS
<u>FEBRUARY</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>vs BUDGET</u>	<u>SPENDING</u>	<u>vs SPENDING</u>
General Fund	\$27,513	\$31,357	(\$3,844)	\$25,528	\$1,985
Building Fund	\$4,684	\$5,076	(\$392)	\$5,076	(\$392)
Total	\$32,197	\$36,433	(\$4,236)	\$30,604	\$1,593
		YTD		YTD	YTD
<u>YEAR-TO-DATE</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Needed for</u>	<u>DIFFERENCE</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>
		<u>Budget</u>		<u>SPENDING</u>	<u>vs SPENDING</u>
General Fund	\$54,210	\$62,715	(\$8,505)	\$52,554	\$1,656
Building Fund	\$10,314	\$10,152	\$162	\$10,512	\$162
Total	\$64,524	\$72,866	(\$8,342)	\$62,706	\$1,818

**Weekly**

**Financial News:**

General Fund: \$11,215.00 Lent: \$383.00 Noisy Collection: \$67.65  
Sunday Attendance: 216 Wednesday Attendance: 110

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**— When the women at the tomb came to anoint the body of their Lord, they encountered an angel instead, who announced, “He has risen; He is not here...Go, tell His disciples and Peter” (Mark 16:6, 7). Mark goes on to say, “They said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid” (Mark 16:8). We can empathize with that fear, for often fear keeps us from witnessing to our Lord. We know that joy and excitement overcame the fear, however, for the women DID tell! May our joy and excitement bring about the same action in us.

**MAY 4, 2017 CONCERT - FEATURING MR. ALI PARIS**  
**TOMAHAWK SCHOOL AUDITORIUM - THURSDAY MAY 4, 2017 - 7:00- 8:30PM**

We are pleased to have Mr. Ali Paris perform for National Day of Prayer Concert and that he has urged that all donations go to Augusta Victoria Hospital and their amazing work with children in Palestine. Ali has been described by Quincy Jones as an “Unrivaled unique artist.” We are thankful to our sponsors for supporting Ali’s appearance today so that ALL your donations will go directly to help children at Augusta Victoria Hospital.

