

GOOD NEWS FROM GRACE

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Praising God + Serving Others + Building Friendships

AUGUST 12 & 13, 2017

WORSHIP SCHEDULE (through Memorial Day)

Sat. – 5:00 pm **Sun.** - 8:30 am - 10:00 am @ Schaefer's Wharf

WELCOME TO GOD'S KINGDOM Ava Raynee Renn! Ava is the daughter of Tricia Kubitschek and Jason Renn. Her sponsors are Kelsey Renn and Nate Maday. She will be baptized at the Outdoor Worship this weekend.

PASTOR MARK & CLAUDIA 40TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY - AT GRACE LUTHERAN

Pastor Mark & Claudia feel very blessed by the people of Grace and Tomahawk. It is their great pleasure to invite you to celebrate their 40th Wedding Anniversary with them on Sunday, August 20 from 1:00-5:00 in the Fellowship Room at Grace. This is a social event. Please no presents! Since the people of Grace and Tomahawk are also dear to Amanda and her wedding was four+ hours away, she and Jake will also greet you. Mark Ziemer & Claudia Fischer were married on August 14, 1977 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Jackson, WI. Amanda & Jake Wedeberg were married on July 29th at Mt. Sterling Lutheran, Mt. Sterling, WI.

GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP – “Building a House for Cristina” – AUGUST 19 – 27. Education & More is sending a team of eight to Panajachel, Guatemala to build Cristina a home. She is a young mother who lost everything, including her son and eight family members in a mudslide in 2010. Members of Grace have been so supportive in helping us raise money for building materials. Those who are going on the trip are: Al Overhaug, Georgie Crass, Jason Mielke, Terry Derleth, Evan Derleth, Elisha Nikolai, Coleen Parry and Dana McCullough. They will be blessed at the 8:30 service this Sunday.

SECRETARY SUPPORT POSITION

Grace Lutheran is seeking a part-time person, approximately 10 - 12 hours per week, to work in the church office on Tuesdays, and Fridays. (*Current Support Secretary Sarah Mann has accepted a full-time position at the Tomahawk Elementary School.*) You can find an applications and job description on our website: www.gracelutherantomahawk.org or you can pick one up in the Gathering Area.

CITY PARKING LOT UPGRADE

We have a great opportunity to show our appreciation for the use of the City Parking Lot! Where would we park if we did not have access to the City Parking Lot? We are indeed blessed to have access to this city-owned and maintained parking area.

The City has a plan to repair, seal, and paint parking lines in the lot in addition to adding lights and electrical power points. Since it is costly, the current plan is to do the work in phases over ~3 years. Grace can help this project move forward more quickly by offering our assistance. What a great way to show community support and appreciation. We want to give them an estimate of our support by their budget time in *mid-September*.

Please consider a contribution toward the upgrade of the City Parking Lot. You can indicate “Parking Lot” on your envelope. There are also special offering envelopes in the pews you can use if you wish. If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact Sherry Clements at (715) 453-5615.

CHRIST IN OUR HOME—Daily devotions for the July-September quarter is now available. Pick up in the Gathering Space or from an usher at Outdoor Worship. ALL are welcome to receive and use these.

WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT - Let's get a group together from Grace to attend! "Sisters ReNEW Together" is the theme for East Central Synod of Wisconsin's annual fall retreat. All women are invited to a time for worship, reflection, fellowship, and fun based on 2 Corinthians 5:17. Pastor Don Behrendt of Peace Lutheran Church in Green Bay will present "The Personal Side of Martin Luther." The retreat will be September 22-23 at Imago Dei Village Bible Camp in Clintonville, WI. The cost for the retreat is \$75 and includes meals, lodging, and all programming. Deadline to register is September 15. If you are interested or have questions, please contact coordinator Marie Stark at 262-490-6289, or the church office @ (715) 453-4066. Registration forms are in the Gathering Area.

SUMMER OUTDOOR WORSHIP PLANNING & VOLUNTEERS

Summer Outdoor Worship is underway! Your help as Usher, Assisting Minister, Reader, Offering Delivery, Singer (individual, small group, large group), and Musician (guitar, piano, or any other instrument that can be used to lead music) is greatly appreciated at any of the outdoor services. To volunteer, sign-up on the poster in the gathering space, or contact the church office (715) 453-4066 or Lisa Elliott (715) 551-7444. Thank you!

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP resumed on Saturday, August 12 and will continue for six weeks.

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.

STEWARDSHIP—A key to being successful financially is to spend less than we make. If we are disciplined in our spending and make sacrifices, we are likely to meet our needs and the needs of those who are depending on us. If God blesses us with additional income, we need to stay disciplined so we can refrain from spending more just because we have more to spend. In order to incorporate a proper balance among giving, saving, and spending money, it’s necessary to follow the 10-10-80 principle (give 10%, save 10%, and live on 80%). The principle is to give to God first, save second, and live on the remaining amount. If we desire to give generously and save a lot, it is imperative to keep spending under control. If spending is out of control, our goals won’t be met and our giving and saving will be minimal, if any.

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR AUGUST – SALVATION ARMY BACKPACK PROGRAM

Last year over fifty backpacks were distributed each week. It is anticipated the need will be just as great this year. There are many dedicated volunteers that put these backpacks together each month. Their generous hearts are committed to the children and their families who need the food. During the month of August, any food donated for the Backpack program may be placed in the Food Pantry box in the Gathering Area. Food item donations can be: canned goods like meat, fruit, and spaghetti, cereal, Hamburger Helper, peanut butter, and jelly.

OUR FINANCIAL PICTURE
2017

	July 2017	Needed for	RECEIPTS	ACTUAL	RECEIPTS
<u>JULY</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>vs BUDGET</u>	<u>SPENDING</u>	<u>vs SPENDING</u>
General Fund	\$28,953	\$31,357	(\$2,404)	\$31,341	(\$2,388)
Building Fund	<u>\$4,713</u>	<u>\$5,076</u>	<u>(\$363)</u>	<u>\$5,076</u>	<u>(\$363)</u>
Total	\$33,666	\$36,433	(\$2,767)	\$36,417	(\$2,751)
		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	\$195,205	\$219,501	(\$24,296)	\$192,638	\$2,567
Building Fund	<u>\$34,466</u>	<u>\$35,531</u>	<u>(\$1,065)</u>	<u>\$35,531</u>	<u>(\$1,065)</u>
Total	\$229,671	\$255,032	(\$25,361)	\$228,169	\$1,502

Weekly Financial News
<u>General Fund</u> \$11,197
<u>Noisy Collection</u> \$55.26
<u>Attendance</u> 261

August 12 & 13	5:00 pm	8:30 am	10:00 am Outdoor
Acolytes	Morgan Hansmann	Mason Schreiner	Child of God
Greeters	Dar Kluball Sherry Thompson	Heather/Jesse Tobias Family Al Tesch	Rich/Leslie Johnson
Readers		Renee Raasch	Rhonda Grabow
Ushers	Kirk/Nancy Kind	Dave/Cathy Schmit Don/Carolyn Halverson	Rich/Leslie Johnson
Nursery		Child of God	
Assisting Ministers		Wendy Black	Mary Wilke
Communion Assistants		Larry/Jan Hagen	
Projection	Don Tinker	James Zastrow	
Altar Guild Janet Hagen Darlene Henning	Counters Duane/Irene Strauss Chris Raasch	Video Delivery Torkelsons	Projection Jackie Leonhard

August 19 & 20	5:00 pm	8:30 am	10:00 am Outdoor
Acolytes	Serena Reinke	Child of God	
Greeters	Dar Clements Peggy Price	Lynn Brown Fran Anderson	
Readers	George Derleth	Cathy Schmit	Dan Schuller
Ushers	George/Lynn Derleth	John Krueger Bill Erickson, Jack Lauder, Steve Kahle	
Nursery		Child of God	
Assisting Ministers	Gail Wilson	Paul Kurth	
Communion Assistants	Child of God	Megan Marcks Whitney Osero	
Projection	Kirk Kind	Lane Beaumier	
Altar Guild Janet Hagen Darlene Henning	Counters Duane/Irene Strauss Chris Raasch	Video Delivery Nancy Bronsted	Projection Chris Raasch