

# GOOD NEWS FROM GRACE

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**AUGUST 6 & 7, 2016**

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Saturday** – 5:00 pm

**Sunday** - 8:30 am & 10:00 am Outdoor Service at Schaefer's Wharf

**WELCOME TO GOD'S KINGDOM Brynn Elizabeth Buss!** Brynn is being baptized this weekend at the 5:00 pm service. Her parents are Ryan and Erin Buss. Her sponsors are Brian and Kristi Erikson.

**THANK YOU** Pastor Mark, Pastor Don, and all the members of Grace Lutheran Church for your thoughts and prayers during my long road to recovery. We could not have gotten through this without them.  
*Family of Jack Evans*

**THANK YOU - 2016 CONGREGATION TRIP**—Thanks and praise to God for all thirty-six people returning safe and sound! Amazing adventure with twenty-nine people spending six days and five nights in the backcountry, traveling twenty-five plus miles with backpacks, seventeen climbing to the top of 11,218-foot Chalice Peak, and catching some five hundred plus fish! The adventures were many, faith was deepened, lives were stretched and confidence grown, and with sharing stories, interesting stops, stories were shared, and great conversations took place with all generations. The time on the bus passed quickly. Thank you for your prayers!

**TREASURER POSITION**—Grace Lutheran Church is looking for someone to fill the church treasurer position. This is a job that consists of bookkeeping and accounting responsibilities and is a paid position with approximately ten hours per week. If you are interested or would like someone to contact you with more details, please call the church office, (715) 453-4066.



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT GRACE

**BEGINS MONDAY!!!!**

You can still volunteer to help.

Please contact Patti Gaedtke at [patti@gracetomahawk.org](mailto:patti@gracetomahawk.org) or (715) 612-2000.

We are expecting this VBS to be the largest EVER!!!

**Watch daily for pictures on Grace's Facebook page!**

## FOOD DISTRIBUTION –SARA PARK AUG. 9 – 11:00 PM to 2:00 PM

The Senior Moments group at the Northwoods Vineyard will again be bringing in a semi-load of food to Sara Park on August 9. Distribution will be from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. All people will be served. The only requirement is that each household bring their own containers to carry their food home. Food will be distributed according to the number of occupants in the household. Anyone needing transportation to this food distribution, please call Dee Guest at the number below. **ALSO, there is a need for about fifty volunteers** to unload, set-up, and distribute the food; about 5 hours of labor. If you can help, please call any of the following people: Bunny Komarek (715) 564-2671, Darlene Laabs (715) 224-3054, Dee Guest (715) 224-2551.

**TUBE THE TOMAHAWK** – Youth ages 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up, parents, and any young adults are invited to go tubing! Join the fun on Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. We'll meet at Grace at 12 and return around 6 pm. There will also be a lock-in with a group from Faith Lutheran in Valders, WI. Please register by calling Margie by August 10<sup>th</sup> at (715) 453-5797, text (715) 966-5497, email [4welkes@gmail.com](mailto:4welkes@gmail.com) or contact the church office.

## **PARISH NURSING – BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC—AUGUST 21**

**You are invited to a Blood Pressure Screening after worship on Sunday, August 21. It is free of charge.** This is the first activity of Grace's new Parish Nurse or "Faith Community Nursing" ministry. It is a voluntary ministry providing free health care as allowed by state regulations. As Jesus healed the sick, raised the dead, cleansed the lepers, and cared for all in need so this is a ministry rapidly catching on in churches across the United States by which churches address the health needs of people in Jesus' name. To participate, learn or discuss more, call Pat Jeske at (715) 804-0878 or the church office.

**YOUR FAMILY IS INVITED!** This week we sent invitations to families with young children inviting them to join our **Nursery Ministry Team** by serving in the Nursery three times per year. YOU and YOUR FAMILY are invited also. See the invitations on the table under the Youth Bulletin board.

**RUTH CIRCLE** is again assembling Fabric Kits for Lutheran World Relief. This year the requirements are: three yard pieces of cotton fabric or cotton blend fabric, and 250-300 yards of matching thread. Your contributions would be greatly appreciated. Please leave them in the labeled box outside the office door.

**SUMMER OUTDOOR WORSHIP IS IN FULL SWING**—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 appreciated at any of the outdoor services. To volunteer, contact the church office (715)-453-4066 or Lisa Elliott(715) 551-7444. **You may also sign-up on the poster in the gathering space.**

**PRUNING ON WEDNESDAYS** – Can you help prune our bushes? Please call Jane Brokaw if you can help, (715) 612-3621

**MEAL TRAIN**—Grace Lutheran has a ministry that provides meals for those in need. Perhaps you or a loved one have been sick, recovering surgery, or have a loved one in hospice. This ministry is available by calling the church office, (715) 453-4066. It takes very little time to set up a meal train, but we do need to talk directly to the person/family receiving meals. Meal Train is very rewarding ministry for those giving and receiving meals.

**OUR SISTERS' HOUSE**—The next meeting for staff and volunteers for Our Sisters' House is scheduled for Tuesday, August 9th, 2016, at 6:30 PM, at Corpus Christi Center. The topic for that evening is "**Volunteer Roles Simplified**". Many of our volunteers have never done this kind of work before, and we want you all to know how much we appreciate you and all that you do. We could not operate Our Sister's House without our volunteers and we are aware that many of you have questions or concerns that should be addressed. We ask that you submit your question, or a topic you would like discussed, to be used in upcoming meetings. We will make the necessary arrangements to gather material, or speakers, to discuss your concerns or answer your questions. Please don't be shy about asking questions, or raising concerns. Our residents very much enjoy the company of our volunteers and look forward to seeing you often, and also look forward to meeting new volunteers. If you are able to spend a couple of hours to help with preparing a meal, and sitting down to break bread with our residents, they would be thrilled. If you would like to sit and color in adult coloring books with them, or play cards or a board game, or even just watch television or talk, your time with them would be precious to them.

## **AUGUST SPECIAL OFFERING: LEKUBU CRECHE**

"Creche" is another word for Lekubu's Early Learning Centre which serves children from six months up to four years of age. This month's special offering goes toward underwriting part of each child's tuition and improvements on the facilities. Since 2014 when Grace joined Lekubu in assisting with this ministry the number of children attending has grown from forty to one hundred and four.

All money contributed for the special offering in August will go toward the general costs and needs of the Creche. Or, you may choose to sponsor a child at \$125 for the entire year (you may make a onetime payment or divide it up, e.g., \$10 each month – always indicate it is for "Child Sponsorship"). Or, you may designate it for a specific project at the Creche, e.g. "ceiling replacement." Mosa will choose the youngest children to match with those who choose to sponsor a child so that you may follow that child for several years if you choose. She will also update us on specific projects and send us pictures of the progress.

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**— On a scale of 1 to 10, 10 being the absolute best, how would you rate what you are doing as a steward? On God’s grading scale, we all rate a zero without Him. Fortunately, God knows that we are not perfect. In spite of our imperfections and frailties, God wants to use us as His hands and feet to feed the hungry, house the homeless, build His Church, and seek the lost with His Gospel. God has made us His stewards, and He equips us for the task. The Apostle Paul wrote, “*And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work*” (2 Corinthians 9:8). The good news for us is that, in Christ, our “0” becomes a “10.”

**Have you checked your giving lately?** If you do, you will notice that giving is falling behind the monies needed to keep our budget balanced. *Is your pledge up to date?*

<b>Our Financial Picture 2016</b>	<b>Needed for Monthly Budget</b>	<b>June 2016 Receipts</b>	<b><u>Difference</u></b>
General Fund	30,858.21	26,324.65	<b>(4,533.56)</b>
Building Fund	5,977.89	5,461.00	<b>(516.89)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>36,836.10</b>	<b>31,785.65</b>	<b>(5,050.45)</b>
<b>Year – To - Date</b>			
	<b>Needed for Monthly Budget</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b><u>Difference</u></b>
General Fund	185,149.24	164,474.29	<b>(20,674.95)</b>
Building Fund	35,867.34	30,156.41	<b>(5,710.93)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>221,016.58</b>	<b>194,630.70</b>	<b>(26,385.88)</b>
June Special Offering - Lutheran Immigration Refugee Service: \$772.00			

<b>Weekly Financial News</b> General Fund: \$8,187.35 Noisy Collection: \$47.66 Attendance: 256
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For more information or details on the Financial Report, please contact Sherry Clements, Financial Reporter.

**THRIVENT CELEBRATES HOPE ON THE 400 BLOCK IN WAUSAU!**

Francesca Battistelli will perform in a free concert Sunday, August 7th at 5:00pm at the 400 Block in downtown Wausau! Bring your blankets or chairs and join us for this free concert! Fun family activities in the Kid Zone start at 2:30 pm. Come by for face painting, tattoos, a painting craft and photo booth. Live generously and bring a backpack or school supplies for Fill A Backpack, Fill A Need and you could win a cool back to school prize package!

<b>August 6/7</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>10:00 am Outdoor</b>
<b>Acolytes</b>	Mason Peck	Trey Baalke	
<b>Greeters</b>	Sherry Thompson Peggy Price	Randy/Cindy Blair Gary/Judi Calhoun	
<b>Readers</b>	George Derleth	Jeanne Rae Paulson	Shirley Derleth
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Child of God</b>	Don/Jeanne Rae Paulson Don/Carolyn Halverson	
<b>Nursery</b>		Margie Welke	
<b>Assisting Ministers</b>	Al Overhaug	Corey Colburn	Mary Wilke
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	<b>Child of God</b>	Larry/Jan Hagen	
<b>Projection</b>	Jason Mielke	Zach Volz	
<b>Altar Guild</b> Ruth Heyne Janet Hagen Darlene Henning	<b>Counters</b> Irene & Duane Strauss Chris Raasch	<b>Video Delivery</b> Harold & Audrey Pedersen	<b>Projection Set-up</b> Karen Torkelson

<b>August 13 &amp; 14</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>10:00 am Outdoor</b>
<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>Child of God</b>	Molly Mott	
<b>Greeters</b>	Dar Clements Dar Kluball	Paul & Dotti Andersen	
<b>Readers</b>	Jim Nelson	Renee Raasch	Marie Stark
<b>Ushers</b>	Ron Lueneberg Dave Dettmering	John Krueger Steve Kahle Wm. Erickson Jack Lauder	
<b>Nursery</b>		Kaylie Svacina	
<b>Assisting Ministers</b>	Mark Gaedtke	Ruth Heyne	Mary Wilke
<b>Communion Assistants</b>		Herb Heyne Shirley Derleth	
<b>Projection</b>	Don Tinker	Betty Hudson	
<b>Altar Guild</b> Ruth Heyne Janet Hagen Darlene Henning	<b>Counters</b> Irene & Duane Strauss Chris Raasch	<b>Video Delivery</b> Roger & Kathy Cook	<b>Projection Set-up</b> Jackie Leonhard

# **FUN WITH OLD BAGS!!!**

## **September 10, 2016**



**Do you have a purse or three** stashed in your closet that you haven't used in a while?

**Is the idea** of tossing them painful?

**Are they** in good condition?

**We have a solution for you. We are having an OLD BAG SALE on Saturday, September 10 at 9:00 am.**

Please bring your clean, gently used purses and totes to Grace Lutheran for our sale.

The proceeds will be given to the Salvation Army. **What a great way to bless those less fortunate.** Another benefit is a chance to get a "new" purse at a great price, and who doesn't love a new purse?

*See the tote in the hallway by the offices to drop your purses.*