

GOOD NEWS FROM GRACE

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SEPTEMBER 30 & OCTOBER 1, 2017

WORSHIP SCHEDULE (through Memorial Day)

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

THANK YOU Karen Olson, Paul & Darlene Wechsler, and Bill & Arlene Strand for transporting our Lutheran World Relief quilts, sewing kits, and school kits to the loading station in Wausau!

CHRIST IN OUR HOME – OCTOBER NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE

The October Newsletter and Christ In Our Home (Oct-Dec) are available in the Gathering Space.

Christ In Our Home is a quarterly devotional booklet paid for by Grace. It connects with the lessons used in worship on Sunday and has a message and prayer for each day. Please pick up a copy of each. We have extra copies of Christ In Our Home to share with your family and friends.

TUESDAY DISCIPLESHIP TIME – Grow in earning, faith and relationships

- **The Tuesday 9:30AM** study led by Pastor Mark includes a video by Dr. Terence Fretheim, a well known Old Testament professor at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, MN. We then unpack what we hear, zero in on the section of Genesis covered that week, and discuss the applications for faith and life. Study guide sheet is on the table in the Gathering Space.
- **Tuesday 7:00PM study** led by Mark Gaedtke and using *The Shack – Study Guide*, covers one chapter each week and watching the corresponding section from the movie. Learn how this New York Times bestseller changed so many of our thoughts about who we are, and the healing power of close relationship with God. Study Guides are available through the church office. Price is \$10.

2018 BUDGET REQUESTS DUE NOW!!!

Committees and groups, PLEASE turn in your 2018 budget requests as soon as possible. **The absolute deadline is October 1st.** You may turn your budgets in to the Church Office, or you may place them in the Treasurer's box in the Copier Room.

CONTEMPORARY CHOIR REHEARSAL has begun. Rehearsals are at 6:00 pm Tuesday nights before the 2nd and 4th Sundays each month. All are welcome!

HANDBELL CHOIR begins Thursday, October 5 at 6:00 pm and continues on most Wednesday evenings through December 13. Join us for fun and fellowship! Musical experience is helpful. Call Carol at (715) 453-1954 if interested, and for our schedule.

CITY PARKING LOT UPGRADE

Parking Lot Update

The generous people of Grace have, once again, answered the call!

In just seven weeks, over \$3,800 was contributed for the City Parking Lot upgrade.

Several people have asked if they could contribute later. The answer is "absolutely!"

We have given the City our estimate of support in time for their budget meeting, but we don't need to give them the funds until spring. So our special fund will stay open and we will continue to accept contributions until then. Again, we thank you for your generosity!

FCA SPORTS BANQUET – OCTOBER 7 – 6:00PM

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes is having a sports banquet at 6:00 pm, on Saturday, October 7, at Sara Park. There will be multiple raffles, silent auction and dessert. Featured speaker will be Ray Howell. To make reservations please call (715) 897-5394, or (715) 966-5787. **See more details on the flyers in the Gathering Area.**

2018 SYNOD TRIP TO SOUTH AFRICA

Bishop Rev. Job Ubane (Western Diocese, ELCSA) and Bishop Rev. Jerry Mansholt (East Central Synod of Wisconsin, ELCA) have planned an opportunity for members from churches in our synod to travel to the Western Diocese during the time of July 5 to 17, 2018. Based on previous trips to South Africa, the projected cost for the 2018 trip would be between \$2,000 and \$2,500. The cost of the trip will be identified soon and there will be an application form to complete as well as a payment schedule to agree to before anyone is committed to travel.

2nd ANNUAL COMMUNITY CONCERT PICNIC – THIS SUNDAY – OCT 1

Everyone is invited! Picnic is from 1:00pm to 3:30pm @ Memorial Park (*rain location will be Sara Park Ice Arena*) **Meal & drinks will be provided.** There will be music, fellowship and fun! Bring your lawn chair and come enjoy the day! Bringing Christ's people together. Sponsored by the Associated Clergy of Tomahawk.

OCTOBER SPECIAL OFFERING

As Our Sisters' House approaches the second full year of operation, we reflect back on the individuals we have been able to serve over this time. Our wonderful staff and volunteers have been a guiding light to the 70 men, women and children who found their safe place with us. Most of these individuals are now living productive lives right here in our community. We would like to express our gratitude to all community supporters including Grace Lutheran who bless our residents with prayers, donations of food, fresh garden produce, basic need items, monetary support and time volunteering at the house. Together we are changing lives for the better. Volunteers are always needed, so if this is a cause that calls to your heart please call Tina Elvins at (715) 225-3520 for more information. There is also always a need for bread, milk and Lysol.

Thank you again for your continued support!

God Bless, *Tina Elvins* – Our Sisters' House Director

OUR FINANCIAL PICTURE
2017

<u>AUGUST</u>	Aug. 2017 <u>Receipts</u>	<i>Needed for</i> <u>Budget</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u> <u>vs BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u> <u>SPENDING</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u> <u>vs SPENDING</u>
General Fund	\$25,426	\$31,357	(\$5,931)	\$37,138	(\$11,712)
Building Fund	\$5,485	\$5,076	\$409	\$5,076	\$409
Total	\$30,911	\$36,433	(\$5,522)	\$42,214	(\$11,303)
		<i>YTD</i>		<i>YTD</i>	<i>YTD</i>
<u>YEAR-TO-DATE</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>DIFFERENCE</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u> <u>SPENDING</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u> <u>vs SPENDING</u>
General Fund	\$220,631	\$250,858	(\$30,227)	\$221,382	(\$751)
Building Fund	\$39,951	\$40,606	(\$655)	\$40,606	(\$665)
Total	\$260,582	\$291,465	(\$30,883)	\$261,988	(\$1,406)

Weekly Financial News
<u>General Fund</u> \$3,840.00
<u>Noisy Collection</u> .00
(bank coin counter was down - see next weeks total)
<u>Attendance</u> 285

September 30 October 1	5:00 pm	8:30 am	10:45 am
Acolytes	Mason Peck	Scout Stromberg	Ayla McCormick
Greeters	Dan/Kay Salewske	Jim/Jan VanNorman Jason/Jessie Stromberg Family	Jody/Emily Decker
Readers	Darlene Wurl	Renee Raasch	Jeannie Gudgeon
Ushers	George/Lynn Derleth	Jerry Jagmin Jack Lauder Kirsten/Megan Marck	Dan Schuller Bill Martinson
Nursery	-----	Child of God	Child of God
Assisting Ministers	Nancy Herbison	Nancy Kind	Al Overhaug
Communion Assistants		Marie Stark Child of God	
Projection	Karen Torkelson	Katy Volz	Dravin Schmit
Altar Guild Pat Jeske Sara Reiff Marcia Sattelberg	Counters Jim Pellitteri Corky Burcalow Ken Kincaid	Video Delivery Torkelsons	Projection Lisa Elliott

October 7 & 8	5:00 pm	8:30 am	10:45 am
Acolytes	Garrett Nelson	Ethan Traves	Grace Witulski
Greeters	Sherry Thompson Rose Hoff	Zastrow Family Renee Raasch	Andy/Luann Kiander
Readers	Jim Nelson	Renee Raasch	Child of God (Jane Schuller)
Ushers	Georgie Crass John Kromm	Brett Beaumier Bill Erickson John Krueger	Dawn LaFevre Mary Hoglund
Nursery		Child of God	Child of God
Assisting Ministers	Joe Story	Corey Colburn	Jane Schuller
Communion Assistants		Al Overhaug Mary Wilke	
Projection	Jason Mielke	Paula Norman	Tami Olson
Altar Guild Pat Jeske Sara Reiff Marcia Sattelberg	Counters Jim Pellitteri Corky Burcalow Ken Kincaid	Video Delivery Al Overhaug	Projection Chris Raasch

VIA DE CRISTO TEAM TRAINING WEEKEND: NOVEMBER 3-5, 2017 at Silver Birch Ranch

Northern Light Via de Cristo will hold a special weekend for training VDC members to serve on team for future weekends. Whether you've never served on team or you have served multiple times, this training weekend is for you! (In order to participate you must have already attended a VDC weekend). The weekend will include:

- Praise, worship, and music of the Praise Band
- Good food, comfortable accommodations
- Better understanding of your life in the Fourth Day
- How you can strengthen your role as part of the team
- Sessions to enhance your understanding of the VDC method
- Laughs, entertainment, and fellowship with like-minded believers
- Powerful lay testimonies, attitudes of servanthood and accountability

The cost is \$110, which includes registration, all meals, & two nights' lodging. **Register by October 3.**

Registration forms are available on the VDC website or in the VDC mailbox at Grace. If you have questions, contact Nancy Kind at 715-612-6034.

