

GOOD NEWS FROM GRACE

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OCTOBER 7 & 8, 2017

WORSHIP SCHEDULE (through Memorial Day)

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

OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY go out to the family of Pat Stevenson who died October 3. Pat was the wife of Scott. Her funeral was Friday at Grace Lutheran. May they be comforted with the hope of eternal life.

FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND are from Florian & Barb Ringwelski in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary on October 14.

WELCOME TO GOD'S KINGDOM Hattie Lou Stevenson! Hattie was baptized last weekend. Her parents are Tyler and Kayci Stevenson, sponsors are Dan Juedes and Kristina Walters.

NEW MEMBER LUNCH THIS SUNDAY AT 12:00 NOON! Anyone interested in learning more about Grace Lutheran is invited to attend the lunch this Sunday at 12:00 noon.

MANY MANY THANKS to the Fellowship Committee for the wonderful Harvest Dinner on September 30! The food was fantastic! Thanks also to Carey Heikkinen for the entertainment before dinner. As always, Carey's music was uplifting and inspirational.

FAITH RECEPTION - Everyone is invited to the Faith Reception for our 10th Grade Class who will be confirmed this year. The Faith Reception will be "Open House" style from 6:30 - 7:30 on Wednesday, October 11 in the Fellowship Hall. This is a casual get-together where the youth will display their Faith Boards, which include representations of their faith journey so far. Individuals from Grace and beyond, who have had special influence on our young people, have received special invitations to this event, but it is open to everyone. We know how important it is to surround our youth with a web of love and support as they grow in faith. So please, come and support them! Have conversation about what they've chosen to display on their Boards! Bless them on their faith journey! Light refreshments will be served. Hope to see you there!

LIBRARY BLESSING—This week, we are blessing the newly re-organized Sharon Gilley Memorial Library, located upstairs in the Anna Frederikson Lounge. The Library is open whenever Grace is open - during office hours, around worship times, and during other events. Come and browse our wide variety of book selections for people of all ages: Fiction and non-fiction, devotional books, history, commentaries, inspirational, and research, including a special Dick Huntoon collection donated by his family from his personal library. There is a blue binder for self check-out. Please make all returns to the basket in the Gathering Space. There will also be featured selections on display in the Gathering Space on the lower bookshelves near the fireplace. These featured books can also be checked out. Special thanks to Kay Salewske and Sara Reiff for all their work on this project. Come and visit with them between services on Sunday and "check it out"!

PANS! PANS! PANS! – ARE YOU MISSING ONE?

We have accumulated quite a collection of pans in the kitchen. Many of you have graciously provided deserts, cakes, and bars for different events at Grace but have never picked up your pans. *Many of them do not have names on them.* We no longer have room to store them. These items will be displayed for the next three weeks. At the end of that time, pans that have not been picked up will be donated to a charitable cause.

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS

Our annual Cookie Walk/Craft Sale will be here before you know it. This year's date is Saturday, December 9. If anyone has patterns or ideas that require fabric, we can probably provide the fabric for you! Please call Darlene Wechsler (715) 630-6471) or the church office if you would like to see what is available.

TRUNK OR TREAT

- **Northwoods Vineyard Church – October 28, Saturday – 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm**
Bring your children to Trunk or Treat at the Vineyard. Decorate your vehicle, car or truck, and even dress up if you choose to and put treats in the truck for the kids to safely treat or treat TRUNK-to-TRUNK throughout the parking lot instead of going door to door! New this year we will have a prize for the best decorated vehicle!!
- **Schaefer's Wharf – October 29, Sunday, 1:00 to 3:00 pm**
Schaefer's Wharf on Hwy L will be holding Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 29th from 1:00-3:00pm. Sponsors are invited to decorate a vehicle or set up table and hand out candy/and or business goodies to children. If you would like to be a sponsor and hand out treats at Schaefer's, please see the registration form with guidelines in the Gathering Area. **Deadline to be a sponsor is October 18.** Contact Schaefer's Wharf with questions.

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!

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.

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

STEWARDSHIP WEEKLY

It’s hard for us to comprehend that, along with all the physical and material gifts God gives us, He also offers us spiritual gifts: forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation through His Son. We who pride ourselves on our independence, on our self-sufficiency, find that these once presumed positive traits keep us from knowing God, from relying on Him, and from joyfully, freely receiving all He wants to give us. But this is God’s plan: He joyfully gives us all we need to support our lives. God promises to “*never leave [us] nor forsake [us]*” (Hebrews 13: 5).

OUR FINANCIAL PICTURE
 2017

	Aug. 2017	Needed for	RECEIPTS	ACTUAL	RECEIPTS
	Receipts	Budget	vs BUDGET	SPENDING	vs SPENDING
AUGUST					
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)
		YTD		YTD	YTD
	Receipts	Needed for	DIFFERENCE	ACTUAL	RECEIPTS
YEAR-TO-DATE		Budget		SPENDING	vs SPENDING
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>
\$10,108.35
<u>Noisy Collection</u>
\$150.18
(2 weeks)
<u>Attendance</u>
293

October 7 & 8	5:00 pm	8:30 am	10:45 am
Acolytes	Garrett Nelson	Ethan Trayes	Grace Witulski
Greeters	Sherry Thompson Rose Hoff	Zastrow Family Renee Raasch	Andy/Luann Kiander
Readers	Jim Nelson	Renee Raasch	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 Child of God	
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

Oct. 14 & 15	5:00 pm	8:30 am	10:45 am
Acolytes	Child of God	Bryn Baalke	Logan Schreiner
Greeters	Peggy Price Bernice Mitchell	Dave/Cathy Schmit Marcie Schmit Mary Wilke	Marilyn Smith Lois Langlois
Readers	Kathy Wolff	Jessie Stromberg	Al Overhaug
Ushers	Dar Clements Dar Kluball	Chris/Ed Raasch Renee Raasch Whitney Osero	Steve/Greg Heikkinen
Nursery		Child of God	Child of God
Assisting Ministers	Mark Gaedtke	Shirley Derleth	Al Overhaug
Communion Assistants		Cathy Schmit Child of God	
Projection	Sue Mielke	Karen Torkelson	Kam Olson
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