

GOOD NEWS FROM GRACE

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Praising God + Serving Others + Building Friendship

NOVEMBER 18 & 19, 2017

WORSHIP SCHEDULE (through Memorial Day)

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

WELCOME TO GOD'S FAMILY Melody Overhaug! Melody will be baptized at the 5:00 pm worship this weekend. She is the daughter of Derik & Sarah Overhaug who are also her sponsors.

THANK YOU to everyone who attended the Companion Breakfast last weekend. We appreciate your support! Thank you. *EYG Group 2018*

QUILT AUCTION - The Tuesday morning quilting group from Grace has donated a beautiful quilt for the Cookie Walk/Craft Sale. This quilt will be displayed in the Gathering Space through December 11 with a sign-up sheet for silent bidding. Deadline for bidding will be Monday, December 11, 3:30 p.m. The quilt is 71" by 47" and would be a lovely gift for someone - or for yourself!

THE FUNERAL COMMITTEE is sending out a call some good-hearted people who will answer our call to fill a few positions, which will be turned over due to age, health problems and travel months of the year.

Some of us have been with this very rewarding and needed ministry since it began over 45 years ago and to be honest, we think it is time to retire.

We have many wonderful hard-working and dedicated workers but we need the following!

- Someone to order food (Nelson's delivers!) and paying the bill for the food, (*we have an account for this.*)
- Someone to call workers to help prepare and serve the meal.
- Men for clean-up. (*What a blessing they are ☺*)
- Someone to call people in the congregation to bake cakes.

We have lists for workers and recipes for meals. **The fellowship in this group is GREAT!**

Please give this some prayerful thought and if you feel this is a way you could serve, please call the church office at (715) 453-4066.

ONLY FOUR WEEKS TO GO!



The 2017 Cookie Walk, Lefse, and Craft Sale will be Saturday, December 9th! Craft sale doors open at 8:30 am and the Cookie Walk/Lefse Sale begins at 9:30 am. Sign-up sheets are in the Gathering Area so stop by and take a look. If you want lefse it must be pre-ordered. Lefse is \$6.00/pkg of three, and cookies are \$8.00/pound. There are many opportunities to help and every helping has is truly appreciated! Feel free to contact Julie Dentler at (715) 453-4970 with any questions.

- Please call Lynn Brown (717) 453-0860 if you plan on **donating potatoes for Lefse**. She can order them for and have them delivered to church.

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.

SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING

Grace Lutheran has been asked to ring bells for the Salvation Army November 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24 and 25. This is the week of deer season. We have six days this year.

- There will be two-hour shifts from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, 12:00 to 2:00 pm, 2:00 to 4:00 pm, plus a one-hour shift from 4:00 to 5:00 pm. We will ring at Shopko and Nelsons.
- Last year Grace had over one hundred volunteers. Some of you rang numerous times and we thank you very much. If you are willing to ring alone or more than once, it will help fill our schedules. If you can't ring during Grace's scheduled times and you are willing to ring another time or at the Post Office, please sign the sub list and someone will contact you.
- This is Salvation Army's major fundraiser. Eighty-six percent of the funds stay in the Tomahawk area to assist with rent, fuel, medical expenses, clothing needs, etc.

Call Sharon at (715) 966-1500.

WILDERNESS TRIP 2018

Planned date for the 2018 Wilderness Trip is Friday, July 21 – Sunday, July 29. The planned destination is the Lake Plateau area of southern Montana. This is a super area for fishing, hiking, mountain climbing and scenery. PLUS Christikon Bible Camp offers a Chalet and programming for OWLs or others who want to come along and be renewed in the mountains. Call the church office to let us know if you are interested.

MEMORY TREE LIGHTS & ORNAMENTS—You may order/purchase ornaments and lights in honor or memory of your loved ones in the Gathering Area.

CONFIRMATION PHOTOS – PICK UP

The Confirmation photos are ready for pick up. There are on the table under the Youth bulletin board.

THE ASSOCIATED CLERGY OF TOMAHAWK (ACT) joyfully invite you to Thanksgiving worship on Wednesday, November 22, 7:00 pm at St. Barnabas Church in Tomahawk to worship together with the Tomahawk community. We will celebrate God’s Word, and in prayer, praise, and thanksgiving to God for our community and our nation.

- **Readers and Assisting Ministers:** Non-clergy Scripture readers & Liturgy participants are needed for the Thanksgiving worship. Please consider participating in this ecumenical worship. Please contact Pastor Carolyn Rauschert at (715) 966-3752, (715) 453-1893, or trustinhim13@frontier.net if you would like to be part of the worship.
- **Carolers are also needed** immediately after the Tomahawk “Christmas Parade” during Thanksgiving weekend. The Chamber wants a group of carolers as one of the activities happening behind the Rodeo after the parade.

TUESDAY ADULT STUDY – ALWAYS OPEN

Tuesday is discipling day for adults – learning and growing our faith in Jesus. All are welcome. Come just one time or for one topic. Study guides with theme, reading and questions are on the table in the Gathering Space. Morning study is 9:30-10:30 currently studying Genesis, for November – Genesis 16-21, children of Abraham: Christians, Jews, Muslims, Evening study is 7:00-8:00 currently studying The Shack, for November – chapters 5-8.

BUILDING UTILIZATION

- It is once again time to review the meeting and storage requirements of all the groups that use the Grace Lutheran facilities. A Building Use Survey has been placed in each of the mailboxes in the copy room. We are asking all groups to complete and return their surveys by **TODAY**. Extra copies of the survey are available in the gathering space for anyone who would like to offer input.
- A Building Utilization Committee will review the results of this survey and communicate its results, along with any ideas for changes in how spaces are utilized. If you are interested in serving on this group, please see Sherry Clements or call at 715-453-5615.

We have been blessed with such a beautiful house of worship and we want to be good stewards in our use of this wonderful facility.

2018 SPECIAL OFFERING REQUESTS—As you sense God’s call to promote a specific mission at Grace, in Tomahawk, Wisconsin, USA or the world – please consider promoting a Special Monthly Offering at Grace. Pick up a “Special Offering Request Form” from the church office, from our website or the rack in the hallway just off the Gathering Area. In early January, the Grace Lutheran Stewardship Committee will review all requests and assign specific months for Special Offerings. The Church Council receives this Stewardship Committee monthly Special Offering designation in their consent agenda.

NOVEMBER SPECIAL OFFERING – FOOD FOR THE POOR

Food for the Poor provides shelter, food & clean water, basic medical supplies, and emergency aid for the poorest of the poor. This organization serves seven-teen countries in Latin America and Caribbean countries. FFTP work is motivated by faith in God, spreading His unconditional love, regardless of race, wealth, or creed as they minister to the poorest of the poor. Ninety-five percent of all monies donated to FFTP go directly to programs that help the poor. Pick up a pamphlet today.

STEWARDSHIP WEEKLY—In Ephesians 2:10, the Apostle Paul wrote, *“For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.”* The Greek word for “workmanship” is “masterpiece.” You are unique. God doesn’t make junk. You are perfectly shaped. You have a special purpose. You have your own personality and passions, and God has a special purpose for you. Possibly you’ve been asked at work or church to take on some extra responsibility. How did you respond? Doing something challenging and accepting more responsibility can be a wonderful way to develop your talents. Knowing you can tap into God’s strength (Philippians 4:13) makes it easier because you will not be alone. God has done and will do extraordinary things through ordinary people.

OUR FINANCIAL PICTURE
2017

	Sept. 2017	Needed for	RECEIPTS	ACTUAL	RECEIPTS
SEPTEMBER	Receipts	Budget	vs BUDGET	SPENDING	vs SPENDING
General Fund	\$30,909	\$31,357	(\$448)	\$30,786	\$123
Building Fund	\$4,852	\$5,076	(\$224)	\$5,076	(\$224)
Total	\$35,761	\$36,433	(\$672)	\$35,862	(\$101)
		YTD		YTD	YTD
YEAR-TO-DATE	Receipts	Needed for	DIFFERENCE	ACTUAL	RECEIPTS
		Budget		SPENDING	vs SPENDING
General Fund	\$276,107	\$313,573	(\$37,466)	\$281,996	(\$5,889)
Building Fund	\$49,162	\$50,758	(\$1,596)	\$50,758	(\$1,596)
Total	\$325,269	\$364,331	(\$39,062)	\$332,754	(\$7,485)

Weekly Financial News
<u>General Fund</u> \$4,135.00
<u>Noisy Collection</u> 50.62
<u>Attendance</u> 256

Nov. 18 & 19	5:00 pm	8:30 am	10:45 am
Acolytes	Child of God	Robin Schmidt	Ayla McCormick
Greeters	Dar Clements Bernice Mitchell	Paul/Dotti Andersen Fran Anderson	Andy/Luann Kiander
Readers	Dar Kluball	Shirley Derleth	Nancy Herbison
Ushers	Darwin Kluball Mary Wilke	Wick Family Margie Welke	Steve/Greg Heikkinen
Nursery		Child of God	Child of God
Assisting Ministers	Gail Wilson	Paul Kurth	Nancy Herbison
Communion Assistants		Jan/Larry Hagen	
Projection	Karen Torkelson	James Zastrow	Karen Torkelson
Altar Guild Bernice Mitchell Stephanie Pellitteri Leanne Setlak	Counters Dorothy Kind, Karen Suske Leanne Setlak	Video Delivery Nancy Bronsted Organist —Paula Norman	Projection Chris Raasch

Nov. 25 & 26	5:00 pm	8:30 am	10:45 am
Acolytes	Child of God	Bryn Baalke	Ethan Trayes
Greeters	Rose Hoff Dar Kluball	Marcie Schmit Tom/Donna Stone	Jim/Donna Olson
Readers	Jim Nelson	George Derleth	Kam Olson
Ushers	John Kromm Georgianne Crass	Tom/Donna Stone Megan/Kirsten Marks	Dawn LaFevre Dan Schuller
Nursery		Child of God	Child of God
Assisting Ministers	Joe Story	Al Overhaug	Kam Olson
Communion Assistants		Lynn Brown Shirley Derleth	
Projection	Karen Torkelson	Nicole Scholz	
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