

GOOD NEWS FROM GRACE

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Praising God + Serving Others + Building Friendship

AUGUST 18 & 19 2018

WORSHIP SCHEDULE *(THROUGH LABOR DAY)*

SAT. – 5:00 PM SUN. 10:00 AM @ MEMORIAL PARK (8/19 ONLY)

LABOR DAY THROUGH MEMORIAL DAY

(September 9, 2018 -May 19, 2019)

SAT. 5:00 PM SUN. 9:00 AM

WELCOME TO GOD'S FAMILY Lena Jane Sonnentag Winter! Lena will be baptized at the 10:00 Outdoor Worship this Sunday. Her parents are Joshua & Jeanna Winter. Lena's sponsors are Jake Sonnentag and Jessica Kubisiak.

125th Anniversary – Celebrating God's Mission

This weekend Grace Lutheran is celebrating 125 years of ministry and anticipating more of God's mercy and blessings in the next 125 years!

Please join us for worship at Memorial Park at 10:00 am this Sunday and plan on staying for the potluck to follow.
All are welcome!!!

THANK YOU TO OUR VBS VILLAGE! Wonderful *Joyful Noise* was made by all during our VBS week! We clapped, stomped, laughed, shouted, shook, and sang songs of praise and thanksgiving to our loving and powerful God, who is forever with us and cares for us.

A huge thank you to the VBS team of 35+ adult and youth volunteers who came together to help in lifting up this "joyful noise!" Between the 80 kids in attendance (ages 3.5 thru 5th grade), the older youth and adults facilitating during the week, the team of volunteers who helped with planning and set-up, and the generous giving of money and supplies, it really does take a village to make VBS happen. We sing and dance in joy and thanksgiving for all that you have done!

This year we chose the Salvation Army to receive our offerings. A total of \$641.71 went directly to the Salvation Army to further their important and compassionate work. *Note: Eighty-six percent of all monies donated to the S. Army remain in Tomahawk.*

THANK YOU—I would like to give a HUGE thank you to Margie Welke and her youth group of "Merry Movers" for all the hard work they did in helping me move. There is no way I could have gotten everything done without their help. It was a hot, damp day, the kids didn't complain and did a fantastic job... and Margie went out of her way to make it happen smoothly. I can't say enough about this wonderful group.

THANK-YOU... J.J. Schiltz

LIVESTREAMING will be at 5:00 pm this week. *Next week we will resume livestreaming at the 8:30 service.* This is one of the older ministries at Grace – 40+ years. At their request Grace is now livestreaming our worship to the nursing homes and assisted living centers in Tomahawk and has added shut-ins and at least one person who has no English worship near them. You can find links at: www.gracelutherantomahawk.org or our FaceBook. The service is available on YouTube for later viewing.

HANDBELL CHOIR—School bells will be ringing soon, as will the handbells at Grace! The Handbell Choir will begin practices on Wednesday, September 5, at 6:00 PM. Join us for fun and musical fellowship. Having the ability to read notes is helpful. Call Carol for more information, at (715) 453-1954

ATTENTION ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS!

You are very important to us and we want to keep in touch with you. Please let us know your mailing address and email. We would love to send you cards and care packages throughout the year. Who doesn't like receiving REAL mail at college? Please drop off your info at the church office or email to: 4welkes@gmail.com Nor worries about sharing your info other than members that would like to pray for you or send you a card or letter.

ADOPT A COLLEGE STUDENT

Have you given any thought to providing encouragement and support to a college student? Our faith community at Grace Lutheran promised to pray for and support these young adults when they were baptized and confirmed. As they leave for college, or return to college it is important to continue to support them. Join our adoption team! We will pray for and encourage our young adults as they begin new chapters in their lives. Stay tuned for more info and a list of college students in late September. If you questions, please contact Margie Welke at (715) 966-5497, or 4welkes@gmail.com

WORSHIP TIME CHANGE—EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 9, 2018—After extensive research, along with congregational feedback, the Church Council has voted to change Grace's Sunday worship time to a single **9:00 a.m. service from Labor Day to Memorial Day**. The summer worship schedule will remain as is with 8:30 a.m. worship at the church and 10:00 a.m. outdoor worship on Sundays. The Saturday worship service will remain at 5:00 p.m. year round. *More information will follow as details are determined.*

BUILDING UTILIZATION QUESTION

The Building Utilization Committee (BUC) has reviewed and organized many of the areas in the church. One area that remains is the kitchenette in Reiff Hall. We're looking to find out who (in addition to the quilters and AA group) uses this space. We want to clear out any unneeded items and perhaps put them in the August 25/26 Surplus Sale. Please contact a BUC member (Corky Burcalow, Sherry Clements, Patti Gaedtke, Margie Welke) if you know who uses this area. Thank you.

MUSICIANS AND SINGERS are desperately needed to lead music at outdoor worship services on 9/2. Please contact Lisa Elliott 715/551-7444.

NO EVENTS OR ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK— The floors are being power scrubbed/waxed in the building.

SURPLUS SALE – NEXT WEEKEND!!!

The Building Utilization Committee is preparing for the Round 2 Surplus Sale. Items that have been identified as no longer needed at Grace are being offered in a free-will Rummage Sale on the weekend of August 25/26, 2018. **These items will be in the Narthex or Youth Room**. If you can use any of the displayed items, please take them and leave your donation in the bucket on the table. Proceeds of this sale will be used for storage needs. We invite you to stop up and check it out! If your ministry has something to add to the Surplus Sale or if you have any questions, please contact a member of the Building Utilization Committee: Corky Burcalow, Sherry Clements, Patti Gaedtke, or Margie Welke.

GRACE BOUTIQUE – AUGUST 25 & 26 - See the insert in this bulletin!

TAKE UP YOUR CROSS AND WALK GOD'S JUSTICE – SEPTEMBER 21-22, 2018

Imago Dei Village—All women are invited to attend the annual fall retreat for a time of worship, reflection, fellowship, and fun based on Micah 6:8 and Matthew 20. Pastor Angela Khabeb of Ascension in Waukesha will be the keynote speaker Saturday morning. In kind gifts will be for LWR School Kits, and there will be a cross weaving art project. You may register for the whole retreat of just Saturday. Scholarships are available. For more information, contact Marie Stark or Mary Wessel.

AUGUST SPECIAL OFFERINGS – SALVATION ARMY BACKPACK PROGRAM

The Tomahawk Happy Kids Back Pack Program ensures that families that need extra support both during the school year and through the summer have food over weekends. Families with children in the Tomahawk School system and St. Mary's Catholic School apply at the beginning of the school year and may request to continue in the program if necessary in the summer. During the school year, children are provided a backpack

filled with non-perishable foods and a voucher for perishable foods which is redeemable at Trigs Grocery Store. This provides families with food over the weekend when children do not have access to the weekday School MEAL programs. During the summer, families can receive a voucher that is redeemable during the weekend. This past school year we filled 70 backpacks each week supporting over 250 family members. We are currently continuing to provide vouchers to 56 families supporting over 200 family members during the summer. See more details in the August newsletter.

STEWARDSHIP WEEKLY— The words, I, me, mine, and myself describe most people as they focus primarily on their own interests and needs. It has been said, “A person who is all wrapped up in himself makes a pretty small package.” However, we find many characters in Scripture who, through faith, were not wrapped up in themselves. The Macedonians that the Apostle Paul refers to in 2 Corinthians 8, for example, were a group of people who exemplified an attitude of love and compassion as they looked beyond their own needs. In spite of their own afflictions and hardships, they gave beyond their means to the distressed Christians in Jerusalem. They were willing to sacrifice and give generously even though they were experiencing tremendous challenges. They reached down to meet the needs of others more needy than themselves.

	31-July	Needed for	RECEIPTS vs.	ACTUAL	RECEIPTS vs.
JULY	Receipts	Budget	BUDGET	SPENDING	SPENDING
General Fund	\$29,402	\$31,735	\$(2,333)	\$31,505	\$ (2,103)
Building Fund	\$5,655	\$5,076	\$579	\$5,076	\$ 579
Total	\$35,057	\$36,811	\$(1,754)	\$36,581	\$ (1,524)
		YTD		YTD	YTD
	YTD	Needed for		ACTUAL	RECEIPTS vs
YEAR-TO-DATE	Receipts	Budget	DIFFERENCE	SPENDING	SPENDING
General Fund	\$196,071	\$222,145	\$ (26,074)	\$202,239	\$ (6,168)
Building Fund	\$ 32,175	\$35,531	\$ (3,356)	\$35,531	\$ (3,356)
Total	\$228,246	\$257,676	\$ (29,430)	\$237,770	\$ (9,524)

Weekly Financial News
<u>General Fund</u> \$3,547.00
<u>Noisy Collection</u> \$78.85
<u>Attendance</u> 276

August 18 & 19	5:00 pm	10:00 am Memorial Park
Acolytes	Mason Peck	Halle Derleth
Greeters	Darwin Kluball Peggy Price	Stromberg Family Tom/Donna Stone
Readers	Darwin Kluball	Marie Stark
Ushers	Ron Lueneberg Dan Schuller	Dar Clements Larry/Jan Hagen Tom/Donna Stone
Assisting Ministers	Corey Colburn	Wendy Black
Communion Assistants		Lynn Brown Shirley Derleth
Projection	Don Tinker	-----
Altar Guild Jan Hagen, Pat Jeske Darlene Henning	Counters Irene/Duane Strauss Chris Raasch	Projection Setup Paula Norman

Aug. 25 & 26	5:00 pm	8:30 am	10:00 am Outdoor
Acolytes	Child of God	Jax Loka	
Greeters	Dar Clements Karen Olson	Zastrow Family	
Readers	Gail Wilson	Rita Meidam	
Ushers	Chris/Ed Raasch	John Krueger Renee Raasch Marie Knipfer Steve Kahle	
Assisting Ministers	Gail Wilson	Shirley Derleth	John Kablitz
Communion Assistants		Margie Welke Child of God	
Projection	Sue Mielke	Paula Norman	
Altar Guild Jan Hagen Pat Jeske Darlene Henning	Counters Irene/Duane Strauss Chris Raasch	Projection Setup Lisa Elliott	