

GOOD NEWS FROM GRACE

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OCTOBER 6 & 7, 2018

WORSHIP SCHEDULE (THROUGH MEMORIAL DAY)

SAT. – 5:00 PM SUN. 9:00 AM

OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS go out to the family of Steve Watzlawick who died on September 28, 2018. Steve was the husband of Karen Watzlawick. May they be comforted with the hope of eternal life.

WELCOME PASTOR SUSAN CHRISTIAN!

Pastor Susan is our new Visitation Pastor. She will begin her visitation ministry next week. Pastor Susan recently served at Calvary Lutheran in Merrill. Please call the office if you would like a visit from Pastor Susan.

THANK YOU PASTORS TRYPHINE & BILL SCHRUBA! Pastor T & Pastor Bill helped with the visitation ministry this summer and fall. Our grateful thanks for their good work.

OUR ANNUAL FAITH RECEPTION for our young people who will be confirmed this year will be on **Wednesday, October 10 at 6:30**. The confirmands will have their Faith Boards on display and welcome conversation about what they've included on their boards: people & events that have had an impact on their faith lives. This casual, fun evening leads up to their Rite of Confirmation on Sunday, October 21. Come and join in the conversations about faith! Grace Lutheran is truly blessed to have these young people in our midst!

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF GRACE LUTHERAN? We invite you to our fall New Member lunch at 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall on Oct. 28. If you are not sure about joining and want to learn more about Grace this is a great opportunity. For those wishing to become members we will have a special welcome on Sunday, November 11 at the 9:00 am. Please call the office to let us know if you can come to the lunch.

JOYFUL NOISE LOCATION for Tuesday, October 9 has changed! Joyful Noise will be at Café on Main, Oct. 9, and 11:30 am.

PURCHASE FAIR TRADE TODAY!

Our Fair Trade products are on display today. Please stop by and be part of Grace's support of small farmers around the world. We do try to offer these products for sale on the 3rd weekend of the month, but we've been quite busy these days and we missed our September sale days. ☺

If you're interested in helping us sell these Fair Trade items, please contact Margie Welke, Cathy Schmit, Nancy Kind, Patti Gaedtke, or Sherry Clements. Be watching for some new items we'll be ordering soon to have on hand for the holiday season. We thank you for your support of this valuable ministry!

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS NEEDED AT 9:00AM

Please give prayerful thought to serving as a communion assistant at the 9:00am worship service. Call the office if you would like to be part of this ministry, (715) 453-4066. Training will be provided.

COMPANION BREAKFAST GROUPS NEEDED! As part of our Sunday morning Smorgasbord Hour, we have designated the 3rd Sunday of each month as a Companion Breakfast. The purpose of a Companion Breakfast (besides eating breakfast!) is to lift up a ministry area of Grace Lutheran. It is an opportunity for groups to raise awareness of what they are doing, simply provide a meal for our congregation, and also earn some money through free-will offering during the breakfast. Our first Companion Breakfast for this year is Sunday, October 21 by the Confirmation and GLOW groups. The months of November through May are available. Please consider participating! Menus can vary from egg bakes to pancakes or whatever your group prefers. There is a sign-up sheet in the hallway by the offices. Questions? Please contact Wendy Black or Margie Welke.

BIBLE STUDIES - IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN

Grace offers Bible studies each Tuesday at 9:30am and at 6:00pm.

Tuesday morning group, led by Wendy Black, is a video based study from the History Channel "The Bible", on epic stories from the Bible and how everything leads to Jesus and his love for us.

- Tuesday evening group, led by Mark Gaedtke, uses the book, "The Parables of Jesus" by Harry Wendt, explores eleven of Jesus' parables in the Gospel of Luke through the eyes of ancient Middle Eastern society.

Both studies are open to everyone – please bring a friend! If you have questions, call the church office at (715) 453-4066. No pre-registration needed. Hope to see you there!

CONNECTING WITH COLLEGE STUDENTS

- College students, please let us know your address and email.
- Would you like to support our college students by praying for them or sending encouragement their way? Please contact the church office at (715) 453-4066, Margie Welke at (715) 966-5497 or email 4welkes@gmail.com with you information.

OCTOBER SPECIAL OFFERING - OUR SISTERS' HOUSE

Our Sisters' House Temporary Emergency Homeless Shelter located here in Tomahawk, is moving into its 3rd year of helping those in need. With support from our generous community, we have provided for over 114 men, women, and children in such a short time. We not only provide those in need with the basic necessities but also with guidance. When individuals come to us we always make it a point to ask them what they personally want out of life. We want to know things like what kinds of work they like to do, where they want to live and other important aspects of how they want to live. We ask these things because we want to help them obtain employment that they can be happy and thrive with. We do all of this because we want the new life that we help them build for themselves to be the last one they have to rebuild.

We would not have able to accomplish success without the generosity of our community. Grace members have provided prayers, clothing items, basic need items, and fresh vegetables from the Garden of Giving, prepared delicious home cooked dinners and desserts. We thank you for opening your hearts to us.

If you have not had the opportunity to visit Our Sisters' House, please stop by to learn more about what we do. Please feel free to call OSH at (715) 224-3520 at any time or when you feel called to help our homeless.

STEWARDSHIP WEEKLY Jesus said, *“Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions”* (Luke 12:15). Greed manifests itself in many destructive behaviors. The Apostle Paul tells us that those *“who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction”* (1 Timothy 6:9). Having money and things can initially be a good thing, but, if we treat them as substitutes for God, they can become a curse. With God’s help we can prevent the lure of money and stuff to have power in our lives.

	31-August	Needed for	RECEIPTS vs.	ACTUAL	RECEIPTS vs.
AUGUST	Receipts	Budget	BUDGET	SPENDING	SPENDING
General Fund	\$25,803	\$31,735	(\$5,932)	\$27,524	(\$1,721)
Building Fund	\$4,430	\$5,076	(\$646)	\$5,076	(\$626)
Total	\$30,233	\$36,811	(\$6,578)	\$32,600	(\$2,367)
	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD
YEAR-TO-DATE	Receipts	Needed for	DIFFERENCE	ACTUAL	RECEIPTS vs
		Budget		SPENDING	SPENDING
General Fund	\$221,874	\$253,880	(\$32,006)	\$229,674	(\$7,890)
Building Fund	\$36,605	\$40,606	(\$4,001)	\$40,606	(\$4,001)
Total	\$258,479	\$294,486	(\$36,007)	\$270,370	(\$11,891)

Weekly Financial News
<u>General Fund</u> \$8,964.15
<u>Noisy Collection</u> \$19.00
<u>Attendance</u> 223

October 6/7	5:00 pm	9:00 am
Acolytes	Child of God	Child of God
Greeters	Dan/Kay Salewske	Jodi/Emily Decker Gary/Judi Calhoun
Readers	Nona Arthur	Corey Colburn
Ushers	Kirk Kind Dar Kluball	Bill Martinson Dawn LaFevre Marie Knipfer Dan Schuller
Assisting Ministers	Nancy Kind	Corey Colburn
Communion Assistants		Shirley Derleth Al Overhaug Need 4 more
Projection	Karen Torkelson	Nichole Scholz
Altar Guild Pam Kopp, Sara Reiff Marcia Sattelberg	Counters Jim Pellitteri Corky Burcalow Ken Kincaid	Projection Setup Keri Kelly

October 13/14	5:00 pm	9:00 am Contemporary
Acolytes	Mason Peck	Caley Scholz
Greeters	Rose Hoff Dar Kluball	Mary Hoglund Lois Langlois Don/Carolyn Halverson
Readers	Dave Reiff	Jessie Stromberg
Ushers	John Kromm Georgeanne Crass	Greg & Steve Heikkinen Jan/Larry Hagen
Assisting Ministers	Gail Wilson	Paul Kurth
Communion Assistants		Mary Wilke Margie Welke Need 4 more
Projection	Jason Mielke	Kam Olson
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