

Good News From Grace

Praising God + Serving Others + Building Friendship

NO 5:00 PM Worship
on next Saturday,
September 14.

September 7 & 8, 2019

Worship Service Times

Saturday-5:00 pm - Sunday-9:00 am

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Live Streaming available on our website (see above). If you can't come to church, we can come to you!

WITH DEEPEST APPRECIATION

Thank you Grace for this deepest of honors that any human being can receive – for your opening your hearts and lives to us. The role of a pastor and pastor's family is a unique calling. These past 18 years you called us to point to Jesus in my preaching, teaching and visiting but most of all in Claudia and my and our family's seeking to be genuine examples of faith active in love through the transforming grace and forgiveness in Christ, the stirring of God's Holy Spirit, and walking with you in God's creation and with all God's people. We are now concentrating on you, our good-byes, and our prayers and good wishes for you. Your cards and wishes are treasured but overwhelming right now. We can only handle about three cards or memories a day, so precious are you to us. For all of you and for all ages please know you are very dear to us. We wish you well in life! We pray for God's Spirit to stir you trust in God, love for others, joy in living, peace in all circumstances, and courage to live boldly in God's grace.

Mark & Claudia

OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY go out to the family of Tom Stone who died September 1. Tom was the husband of Donna, father of Sarah (Terry) Mann, and grandfather of Macey & Norah. Tom and Donna were sponsors for this years Confirmation class. Tom's funeral is Thursday, September 12.

CONGRATULATIONS to Faye Witulski in her new role as Grace Lutheran's DIRECTOR OF YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS! After prayerful consideration, the church council has offered Faye the position and we are delighted that she accepted. Faye, along with husband Chris, and their two daughters Grace and Ellie, are active members of Grace Lutheran. Faye brings much experience and delights in working with this age group. She will be installed at Sunday's worship and will begin her duties immediately. We look forward to having Faye as the newest addition to the ministry team and staff.

WILDERNESS TRIP THANK YOU BREAKFAST – THIS SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 8—10AM

The Wilderness Trip participants will host a free "Thank You" Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall on this Sunday, September 8 immediately following the 9:00 am service. A short program will be held during the breakfast. We greatly appreciate the financial support from the congregation to make this incredible trip possible and feasible for all.

This is Pastor Ziemer's last day with us. Everyone is welcome!

FREE BOOKS – LAST CHANCE Most of Pastor Mark's books are now boxed or tossed. A few are in the Gathering Space on the Food Pantry box. These are books Pastor Mark saw as helpful for Grace but no longer needed for him in his transition. Please help yourself. Grace will toss these if no one claims.

WORSHIP - SUNDAY SCHOOL & OTHER FALL NEWS

Please note these changes beginning in September:

- **No 5:00 pm worship on Saturday, September 14**, due to the Fall Ride (Harley) weekend. There will be a 9:00 am worship on Sunday September 15.
- **GLOW (Grace Lutheran on Weds.)** will begin September 18, from 3:45 to 5:15pm. There will be a parent meeting from 5:15 to 6:00pm
- **Sunday School** time will be 10:15 to 11:00am. **Sunday School officially begins September 22.**

LAY SCHOOL – SEPTEMBER 13-14 – GRACE WILL PAY YOUR TUITION & BOOKS

Seeing the need for reflective and articulate lay persons to address the challenges of the 21st century call, the Grace Church Council has enacted a policy to pay for the tuition and books for all members of Grace who attend the Synod's Lay School in Wausau. The Lay School of Ministry of the East Central Wisconsin Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America trains lay persons of the church for more effective witness and service in the body of Christ. Lay School is held once a month for nine months meeting on Friday from 5:15-10:00 p.m. and Saturday from 8:00am – noon. For more information go to <http://wausaulayschool.org/>, the church office or to Mark & Patti Gaedtke.

CAN YOU HELP TRANSPORT QUILTS & KITS FOR LWR TO WAUSAU ON OCT 6? All year long our Tuesday Quilters make quilts for Lutheran World Relief, and others have made school kits, and health kits. These items will be sent to LWR to help those in need worldwide. WE need your help to transport these things to Wausau on Saturday, October 6. Please call the church office (715) 453-4066 if you can help.

USHER MEETING/TRAINING/REFRESHER - SEPTEMBER 28 & 29

Are you an usher - or would you consider serving as one? We are blessed with ushers who provide hospitality and direction during our worship services. It's been a while since we've met to talk about the various aspects of the role. The Worship Ministry Team has been hard at work updating our Usher Guidelines to reflect changes in worship times, our security system, etc. A refresher/training session is scheduled for after worship on Saturday, September 28, 6:00pm, and Sunday, September 29, 10:00am, to review the basic usher duties, highlight some of the updates, and to address any questions you may have. We invite all current and 'aspiring' ushers to attend. If you have any questions, please contact Sherry Clements at 715-453-5615.

THE FOOD PANTRY is in need of the following items: Cereal (any kind), Hamburger Helper or Tuna Helper, Beef Stew (canned), and any variety of canned meat (tuna, spam, etc.). Items can be dropped off in the bin marked "Food Pantry" in our Gathering Space or at the Food Pantry, located in the lower level of the United Methodist Church on Wednesdays from 1-3:00pm or Fridays 11am-1:30pm. Thank you.

ATTENTION COMMITTEES & MINISTRIES - 2020 BUDGET REQUESTS DUE OCTOBER 1ST

The Finance Committee of Grace Lutheran is requesting that all ministries and committees turn in their budget requests for the 2020 budget no later than October 1st. **No changes will be allowed after that date.** You may turn your budgets in to the Church Office, or you may place them in the Finance Committee box in the Copier Room.

SEPTEMBER SPECIAL OFFERING - MILK MONEY - Over 40% of Tomahawk Elementary School students are in the free or reduced-price lunch programs. Milk during lunch is included with those programs. However, elementary-aged kids in the Tomahawk school district also have a snack break. The milk distributed during this time is NOT covered by the free and reduced program. The families must have funds available in their lunch accounts if they wish for their children to have milk during snack time. Our September special offering will help to pay for snack break milk for these children if their families are unable to afford this cost. One carton of milk is forty cents, so even a small offering can make a large difference!

STEWARDSHIP CORNER—How we view and use money affirms where our hearts are possibly more than any other indicator. We struggle to put money in a proper perspective because Satan, the world, and our flesh encourage us to serve money and possessions rather than God. Our natural inclination is to find identity, security, and meaning in money. We may have both God and money, but we can't serve both (Luke 16:13). Money is a false god. If we allow money to have lordship over us, it becomes Money with a capital M. Through faith, we understand that only the one true God can offer us lasting treasure in Christ.

September 7 & 8	5:00 pm	9:00 am PZ's Last Day
Acolytes	Child of God	Greta Kurth Kiannah Mullen
Greeters	Peggy Price Sherry Thompson	Paul & Dotti Anderson
Readers	Darwin Kluball	Al Overhaug
Ushers	Patricia Gong Deb Schultz	Don & Carol Halverson George & Lynn Derleth John Krueger Chris/Ed Raasch
Assisting Ministers	Nancy Kind	Shirley Derleth
Communion Assistants		Children of God
Projection	Jason Mielke	Mike Wick
Altar Guild Lynn Brown Karen Suske Marie Stark	Counters Barb & Dewey Reilly Al Overhaug	Projection Setup Lisa Elliott

September 14 & 15	5:00 pm	9:00 am
Acolytes	NO SERVICE Harley Weekend	
Greeters	-----	Gary & Judi Calhoun Dan & Kay Salewske
Readers	-----	Sandy Wick
Ushers	-----	Steve Kahle Jerry Jagmin Kirk/Nancy Kind
Assisting Ministers	-----	Al Overhaug
Communion Assistants	-----	Molly Mott Children of God
Projection	-----	Allison Schmidt
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Financial Picture 2019	July-19	Needed for	RECEIPTS vs. ACTUAL	RECEIPTS vs.
JULY	Receipts	Budget	BUDGET	SPENDING
General Fund	\$ 25,410	\$ 33,019	\$ (7,609)	\$ 25,064
Building Fund	\$ 4,303	\$ 4,363	\$ (60)	\$ 4,363
Total	\$ 29,713	\$ 37,382	\$ (7,669)	\$ 29,427
	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD
YEAR-TO-DATE	Receipts	Needed for Budget	DIFFERENCE	ACTUAL SPENDING
General Fund	\$ 199,470	\$ 231,134	\$ (31,664)	\$ 211,647
Building Fund	\$ 38,681	\$ 30,542	\$ 8,139	\$ 30,541
Total	\$ 238,151	\$ 261,676	\$ (23,525)	\$ 242,188
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Detailed Financial Picture information can be found in our newsletter at www.gracelutherantomahawk.org or you can pick up a copy in the Gathering Area.