

Grace Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

News & Notes

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THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE - April 28th - May 5th

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Setting: Divine Service, Setting 4 beginning on page 203

Hymns: 837 633 878

Choir Anthem directed by Julie Matzen, Accompanied by Connie Vickers
"The Prayer"

Readings: Acts 8:26-40 1 John 4:1-21 John 15:1-8

Sermon: "Peace & Resiliency"

Praying for: Allen Anderson, Charlotte Harroun, Rick Steward, and Liz Niemann.

Gifts, Tithes & Offerings for 4/21/2024
To fully fund our church budget we need \$7,116.00 per week.

| | Amount |
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| Simply Giving | \$ 1,245.00 |
| Tithes & Offering | \$ <u>3,815.00</u> |
| Total | \$ 5,060.00 |

Weekly Shortage (\$ 2,056.00)

Attendance for the week of 4/21/2024

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| Wednesday Worship | |
| 7:00 p.m. | 26 |
| Sunday Worship | |
| 8:00 a.m. | 53 |
| 10:30 a.m. | <u>74</u> |
| Total | 153 |

SUNDAY, APRIL 28th

8:00 a.m. Service

Organist: Diana Baetke
Elder: Duane Hansen
Acolyte: Ella Sunday

10:30 a.m. Service

Music: Praise Band
Elder: Scott Havener
Acolyte: Addison Tucker

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1st

7:00 p.m. Service

Organist: Tasha Becker
Elder: Scott Steffens

SUNDAY, MAY 5th

8:00 a.m. Service

Organist: Diana Baetke
Elder: Paul Kirby
Acolyte: Ben Paarmann

10:30 a.m. Service

Organist: Diana Baetke
Elder: Jon Betz
Acolyte: Peyton Goddard

Calendar

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| 4/28/2024 | 9:15 AM | Sunday School & Adult Bible Study |
| | 10:30 AM | Praise Worship |
| 5/1/2024 | 7:30 AM | Staff Meeting |
| | 7:00 PM | Glory Bound Choir |
| | 7:00 PM | Sr. High Bible Study |
| | 7:00 PM | Worship |
| 5/2/2024 | 9:00 AM | Tops Meeting |
| | 9:30 AM | Stay Active Senior Exercise Group |
| 5/3/2024 | 8:00 AM | Trustees Board Meeting |
| 5/5/2024 | | "Mites" Sunday |
| | 8:00 AM | Traditional Worship w/Communion |
| | 9:15 AM | Sunday School & Adult Bible Study |
| | 10:30 AM | Traditional Worship w/Communion |
| | 2:00 PM | CLUB345 |
| 5/6/2024 | 1:00 PM | 500 Card Club |
| | 4:30 PM | Preschool Board Meeting |
| | 6:00 PM | Board of Discipleship |
| | 6:30 PM | Elders Meeting |
| 5/8/2024 | 9:00 AM | Sewing Ladies |
| | 7:00 PM | Glory Bound Choir |
| | 7:00 PM | Sr. High Bible Study |
| | 7:00 PM | Worship |

Welcome to God's Family!—Harven David Spain, son of Jesse & Jenna Spain was baptized on April 21st. His baptismal sponsors are Jeremy & Amy Spain.



Altar flowers were given in honor of Alan & Monica Ruggeberg's 40th wedding anniversary.

WE NEED YOU - Recruitment and planning continue for this year's VBS program is underway. The theme is: **"The Great Jungle Journey"**. To make this program a success we need your help. Please check out the volunteer registration bulletin board in the foyer and consider signing up for one of the roles. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact DCE, Mark Sperry. The dates are Sunday, June 23rd – Thursday, June 27th.

Victory Center Collection Drive

During the next few weeks we will be collecting men's hygiene products and paper products for the Victory Center. All items donated will be delivered on May 16th .

Hygiene Products for Men:

Toothpaste
Toothbrushes
Shampoo
Conditioner
Body Wash
Soap
Deodorant
Lotion

Paper Products for Meals

Paper Towels
12 oz plastic cups
Gallon & Quart size storage bags
Plastic Forks and Spoons
Styrofoam/Plastic Bowls
Styrofoam/Plastic Plates
(Large and dessert size)

All donations can be left in the tote located in the foyer.

Victory Center Service Event

May 16th is our next service event at the Victory Center in Clinton. We will be serving casseroles for dinner this month. Volunteers are needed to prepare casseroles, salads, desserts and individuals to help serve the meal. A sign-up sheet is located on the Welcome Center.



If you are interested in helping to plan the 100th year celebration of Grace Church, please join us on Tuesday, May 21st at 6:00 pm at Grace Church. If you have any questions please speak with Pastor Obermann.

High School Graduates

Colin Albrecht
22022 277th Ave
LeClaire, IA 52753

Margie Alger
1404 Silver Valley Dr
DeWitt, IA 52742

Isaac DeHaven
622 14th St
DeWitt, IA 52742

Karley Erps
622 Middle Road
Camanche, IA 52730

Anthony Meyer
2490 210th St
DeWitt, IA 52742

Carleigh Tobey
3052 160th St
Charlotte, IA 52731

Owen Tucker
2124 Garden Green Court
DeWitt, IA 52742

The wooden card box will be out in the narthex beginning Wednesday, May 1st through Sunday, May 12th.



The Widow's Mite

Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a fraction of a penny. Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth, but she, out of her poverty, put in everything — all she had to live on" (Mark 12:41-43).

Based on the Biblical account of the widow's mite the Mite Box is intended for regular contributions of "mites" — offerings above and beyond the support given to congregations and the LCMS. Mite Box contributions amount to millions of dollars that fund district and national mission grants and implement the LWML program.

The first Wednesday/Sunday of every month the LWML Mite's Contribution box will be out on the table in the narthex. If you would like to help support the LCMS with their mission projects you can place your donation inside the box, The next Mites collection will begin on Wednesday, May 1st.

LWR Baby Care Kits

We have taken inventory of our Baby Care Kit supplies and have noticed we are in need of a couple of different items. We could use more t-shirts (**no onesies**) sizes 3 -24 months and **footless sleepers** sizes 18 - 4 months. If you would like to help with this your donations can be left in the basket located in the foyer.