Grace Lutheran Newsletter

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH • 1100 G STREET • FAIRBURY, NE 68352

April, 2024

The LWML Deshler Zone Spring Workshop will be Saturday, April 13 here at Grace. Registration will start at 8:30 AM and the workshop will run from 9 AM to 12 Noon. The theme is "Our Future Hope" with Pastor Emery leading the opening devotion and Bible study. The offering will go to the Deshler Zone Treasury for zone delegate convention expenses. We will assemble Shelter Welcome Kits for the Hope Crisis Center.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: There will be a cemetery cleanup day at Grace Lutheran Cemetery on Saturday, April 13 at 10 AM. (rain date is Saturday, April 20).



The Elders will meet Tuesday, April 16 at 6:30 PM. Church Council will meet at 7:30 PM.

A Confirmation Parents and Students will meet on Sunday, April 21 after the late service.

The capstone projects will be given by the Confirmands on Sunday, April 21 at 8:30 AM and 11 AM.

The Quarterly Voters Meeting will be Sunday, April 21 at 2 PM.



Sunday School teachers are needed for May for Pre-school & Kindergarten and 3 - 5 grade. Please contact Krystal if you are able to teach (402-587-0387). Pastor Emery has services at Cedarwood on Sunday, April 21 at 1:30 PM, at Heritage on Thursday, April 25 at 10 AM and at Gardenside on Thursday, April 25 at 10:45 AM.



The last Grade 3-6 Midweek Class will be held Wednesday, April 24, 4 PM - 5:15 PM. <u>A closing program and hot dog meal will be</u> <u>held at 5:15 PM</u>.

CONFIRMATION C

Confirmation will be held on Sunday, April 28 at 11 AM. Our Confirmands this year are: Aubrie Hynek, daughter of Ryan and Andrea

Hynek; **Jack Koenig**, son of Heath and Chantell Koenig; **Makenzie Peitzmeier**, daughter of Randy and Angela Peitzmeier and **Kasen Pfingsten**, son of Pam Pfingsten and the late Kent Pfingsten.

A reception for our Confirmands will be held at 9:45 AM that morning in the Fellowship Hall.

Southeast Nebraska CASA recruits, trains, and supports community volunteers who advocate for the abused and neglected children in Seward, Saline, Thayer and Jefferson County Courts. Become a volunteer, board member or donor, to make a lasting impact on the youth in your community through CASA.

Meals were held during the Lenten season with great food and fellowship with a total of \$4,575 raised: **February 14** - LLL Soup Supper, **\$1,019** was donated to support LLL special projects **February 21** - Confirmation Class - **\$678** to support Confirmation Retreat @ Camp Luther in March **February 28** - Sharon Kettelhut, **\$575** to Grace Lutheran Vacation Bible School **March 6** - Vickie Emery, **\$1,000** to support Groundwork Guatemala & Only A Child **March 13** - Pris Stelling & Arlene Luebbe, **\$425** to support Alaska Missions for Christ VBS **March 20** - Ladies Aid, **\$878** to support the Hope Crisis Center

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS - APRIL, 2024

| DATE ORGANIST | LOWER GREETER | USHER 1 | USHER 2 | ELEVATOR OPERATOR | ACOLYTE | ELDERS |
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| APRIL 7 8:30 AM RYAN EDINGER | BOB & SHARON ELGERT | DWIGHT SCHMIDT | BILL STELLING | JACOB NIPPERT | OWEN SCHMIDT | KEN NANCE |
| APRIL 7 11:00 AM RYAN EDINGER | EVAN & DENA SKILES | LARRY BEDLAN | JASON LUEBBE | ALECIA BEDLAN | McKINLEY SKILES | MIKE GRUMMERT |
| APRIL 14 8:30 AM RYAN EDINGER | John & Linda Hammer | John Hammer | BRUCE DUX | LOGAN WENTZ | BLAIKLEY HYNEK | RON KLAUS |
| APRIL 14 11:00 AM RYAN EDINGER | TIM & DEB LINSCOTT | NEAL ONNEN | BRANDON REESE | OLIVIA LINSCOTT | EASTON SCHMIDT | CHARLES ENDORF |
| APRIL 21 8:30 AM RYAN EDINGER | ROBERT & NAOMI SCHROEDER | ANDY KETTELHUT | JIM SCHROEDER | DAKOTA ZIMMERMAN | PAISLEY STEINMEYER | JOEL FREDRICKSON |
| APRIL 21 11:00 AM RYAN EDINGER | Joyce Holes & Fern Sell | DAVE BEDLAN | ELTON SCHOENROCK | SAMANTHA BEDLAN | MAKENZIE PEITZMEIER | RUSS HENNERBERG |
| APRIL 28 8:30 AM RYAN EDINGER | BOB & SUSAN BAUER | GREG WEERS | MARK KOENIG | KOREY NIPPERT | PHOENIX CHAMBERS | SCHAUN SCHROEDER |
| APRIL 28 11:00 AM CONFIRMATION RYAN EDINGER | BILL & CINDY MELCHER | ERIC ENGELMAN | DENNIS REEDY | AIDEN NOVOTNY | MAKENNA HADDAN | KEVIN EBKE |

| FINANCE COMMITTEE | | | | | | | |
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| APRIL 7 | BETH TEGTMEIER | | | | | | |
| APRIL 14 | RACHEL WENTZ | | | | | | |
| APRIL 21 | CONNIE SCHOUBOE | | | | | | |
| APRIL 28 | CINDY MELCHER | | | | | | |
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IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO BE IN ATTENDANCE ON THE DAY YOU ARE SCHEDULED, PLEASE TRADE WITH SOMEONE ON THE LIST OR ANYONE ELSE YOU KNOW. THANKS!!

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30 AM & 11 AM

HOLY COMMUNION

1st & 2nd SUNDAY

APRIL, 2024

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | 1 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED | 2 Men's Breakfast 8 AM "Bible Break" 12 Noon Mary Circle 1:30 PM | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 Worship Services with Holy Communion 8:30 AM & 11 AM Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:45 AM | 8 Quilt Tying 1 PM Spring Pastors in | 9 "Bible Break" 12 Noon Conference Kearney | 10 3-6 Grade Midweek Class 4 PM - 5:15 PM Adult Choir 7 PM | 11 | 12 | 13 LWML Deshler Zone Spring Workshop @ Grace 8:30 AM Cemetery Workday 10 AM |
| 14 Worship Services with Holy Communion 8:30 AM & 11 AM Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:45 AM | 15 | 16 Men's Breakfast 8 AM "Bible Break" 12:00 Noon <u>Elders Meeting</u> 6:30 PM <u>Church Council</u> <u>Meeting 7:30 PM</u> | 17 3-6 Grade Midweek Class 4 PM - 5:15 PM Adult Choir 7 PM | 18 Ladies Aid 1:30 PM | 19 | 20 <u>Rain Date</u> for Cemetery Workday 10 AM |
| 21 Worship Services 8:30 AM & 11 AM Capstone Projects by Confirmands @ 8:30 AM & 11 AM Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:45 AM <u>Confirmation Parents</u> & <u>Students Meeting</u> <u>after 11 AM service</u> Cedarwood Service 1:30 PM Voters Meeting 2 PM "Ladies Night Out" 2 PM | 22 | 23 Men's Breakfast 8 AM "Bible Break" 12 Noon | 24 3-6 Grade Midweek Class 4 PM - 5:15 PM Midweek Closing & Hot Dog Meal 5:15 PM Adult Choir 7 PM | 25 Heritage Service 10 AM Gardenside Service 10:45 AM | 26 | 27 |
| 28 Confirmation Worship Service 8:30 AM & 11 AM Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:45 AM Confirmand Reception 9:45 AM Confirmation 11 AM | 29 | 30 Men's Breakfast 8 AM "Bible Break" 12 Noon | | | | |



Confirmation is a special day! Many parents remember the day they brought their child to be baptized into the body of Christ. Now that child is making a personal promise to remain faithful to the Savior throughout life. For some, confirmation is translated as, "Whew! That's done!" The fact is, it is not the end. It is just the

Confirmation beginning of a journey of faith. Confirmation instruction provides the foundation of scriptural truths that enables a young person to truly begin the life God has planned. A life centered in the cross of Christ gives strength, courage, and joy to each day.

One's service to God is not limited because of youth. Remember, *Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example . . .* (1 Timothy 4:12a). There are opportunities to set an example at school as well as at church. People see faith in action whether it is in band or orchestra, playing sports, or participating in service projects. Confirmation is an important step in a Spirit-filled life. The adventure has begun!

Congratulations Confirmands! May you become firmly rooted in God's love and receive His blessings throughout your life



2024 MISSION GOAL \$30,000 \$14,245