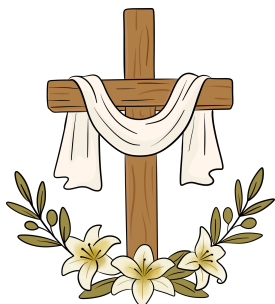




GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SUNDAY WORSHIP
8:30 AM and 11:00 AM
Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
9:45 AM
HOLY COMMUNION
First & Second Sunday of the Month

Associate Pastor Update: The voters, on April 19, recommended to President Snow our desire for an associate pastor with good preaching and teaching skills, along with the personal qualities of people skills, patience and tact. These qualities come directly from the survey results. In addition, the voters stressed to President Snow that we are looking for a younger man, hopefully with a young family, that will serve our children and youth ministries, and establish a young adult/young family ministry. In due time, he will move into the senior pastor role as Pastor Emery reduces his responsibility to elder care in a parttime position. Our goal is to have this transition made no later than June 1, 2027.

The Youth Retreat was a great success! Director of Christian Education (DCE) Daniel Meyer of Peace Lutheran Church in Grand Island led our topic, "The Road," based on the story of Jesus meeting the men on the road to Emmaus after Easter. He led the kids in discussions about the road each of us is on, and how Jesus walks with us, even today! We had 23 youth from Davenport, Tobias and Grace (10 students) and 5 adult chaperones.

THANK YOU to Sharon Kettelhut and Clarice Fredrickson for the spring flowerpots that make the outside of our church entry look nice!

We still need more **VOLUNTEERS** to operate our sound and video system for worship services. It isn't as difficult as you may imagine! You can sit upstairs and observe a few Sundays before stepping in as sole operator. We've got a really nice service going, but more help is needed! Please!!

Want to lead a learning module for our confirmation students? We have classes available, such as one on being a Christian steward of the environment, or one on prayer, or one on what happens when you die, just to name a few. The basis for each class is a small section of the catechism and then extending what the students learn into real life. Let Pastor Emery know if this sounds like something you'd like to do. Get another adult and share the experience!

THANK YOU to an anonymous donor who purchased two table carts to accommodate the round tables in the fellowship hall!

May 2026 Worship Assistants

Date	Organist	Lower Greeter	Usher 1	Usher 2	Elevator	Acolyte	Elder
May 3 8:30 AM	Barb Bedlan	Ryan & Andrea Hynek	Dennis Reedy	John Hammer	Aubrie Hynek	Blaikley Hynek	Mike Lofing
May 3 11:00 AM	Barb Bedlan	Deb Linscott	Jason Luebbe	Larry Bedlan	Logan Wentz	Edith Neeman	Bob DeWald
May 10 8:30 AM	Josiah Rabe	Ryan & Jenny Meyer	Jim Behrends	Dwight Schmidt	Paisley Steinmeyer	Jackson Steinmeyer	Gregg Roesler
May 10 11:00 AM	Josiah Rabe	Barb Ebke	Eric Engelman	Fritz Reese	Kasen Pfungsten	Andi Austin	Jared Weers
May 17 8:30 AM	Barb Bedlan	Ken & Jan Nance	Ken Nance		Madison Haddan	Makenna Haddan	Schaun Schroeder
May 17 11:00 AM	Barb Bedlan	Nate & Lindsey Schmidt	Mark Koenig		Jacob Nippert	Easton Schmidt	Dennis Meredith
May 24 8:30 AM	Barb Bedlan	Heath & Chantell Koenig	Heath Koenig		Jack Koenig	Jadon Hoffman	Kevin Ebke
May 24 11:00 AM	Barb Bedlan	Evan & Dena Skiles	Russ Schmidt		Alecia Bedlan	McKinley Skiles	Mike Grummert
May 31 8:30 AM	Matthew Frerking	Bob & Sharon Elgert	Dave Kettelhut		Dakota Zimmerman	Kinley Schoenrock	Mike Lofing
May 31 11:00 AM	Matthew Frerking	Ethan & Hope Vonderfecht	Ethan Vonderfecht		Jacob Nippert	Owen Schmidt	Brian Schmidt

Finance Committee

May 3- Carolyn Scherbarth
 May 10 - Renae DeWald
 May 17 - Tamara Weers
 May 24 - Connie Schouboe
 May 31 - Dave Bedlan

May Altar Guild
 Sharon Elgert
 Linda Hammer

If you are unable to be in attendance on the day you are scheduled to serve, PLEASE trade with someone on the list or anyone else you know.
 Thank you!



MIDWEEK CLASSES

Midweek classes meet on Wednesdays, from 4:00-5:15 pm. Classes will conclude at the end of April.

Sunday, May 10, we will be recognizing our 2026 Graduates at the 11:00 AM service.



Vacation Bible School will be held on June 8-12. Donation sheets are by the bulletin boards in the Upper Narthex. Please sign up to donate or to help! Thank you!



MEETING

COMMITTEE & COUNCIL MEETING

Elders will meet on Tuesday, May 12, at 6:30 pm followed by the Church Council meeting at 7:30 pm. Reports are due in the office by Monday, May 4th.

We can't wait for your child/children to join us for "Tropical Trek" Vacation Bible School, which will be held June 8-12. Registration sheets are on the table in the Upper Narthex. You may also register online, on the church website. We look forward to an exciting week at VBS!



Heritage and Gardenside Worship will be held on Thursday, May 21. Heritage will be held at 10:00 am and Gardenside at 10:45 am. Come and join the residents in worship and visit with them!



Worship Service

Welcome Nancy Criner, who is our new Finance Secretary in the Office! Please stop by and say "hello!"



Cedarwood Worship will be held on Sunday, May 10, at 1:30 pm. Come and join the residents in worship and visit with them!

Like us on Facebook at Grace Lutheran Church of Fairbury, Nebraska.



For security reasons, the Fellowship Hall double doors will be locked after the beginning of the first service. Please use main entrance.



MAY 2026 at Grace Lutheran

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2 Rain Date for Cemetery Cleanup 9:00 AM
3 Worship Service 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM with Holy Communion Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:45 AM	4	5 Men's Breakfast- 8AM Bible Break-12 Noon LWML-1:30 PM	6	7	8	9
10 Worship Services 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM with Holy Communion/ Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:45 / Be Still Bible Study 1 PM; Cedarwood Service 1:30 PM	11 Quilt Tying 1:00 PM	12 Men's Breakfast 8:00 AM Bible Break 12 Noon Elders Meet 6:30 PM Church Council 7:30 PM	13	14	15	16
17 Worship Services 8:30 & 11:00 AM Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:45 AM Be Still & Know 1:00 PM Ladies Day Out 2:00 PM	18	19 Men's Breakfast 8AM Bible Break 12 Noon	20	21 Heritage Service 10:00 AM Gardenside Service 10:45 AM Friends in Faith 1:30 PM	22	23
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