

# Grace Lutheran Newsletter

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

April, 2020

Dear Members and Friends of Grace,

"The word of God is not bound!" In 2 Timothy 2:9 the Apostle Paul gives these words of confidence and comfort to a young pastor named Timothy. These words, given by inspiration of God, are meant for us as well and they are just as applicable to us today as they were two thousand years ago. No, we are not bound by prison chains as Paul was when he wrote these words. Neither are we being persecuted by the government for sharing the Gospel of Jesus, as Paul was. But we are definitely in an unusual, unexpected mess with all the new restrictions placed on public gatherings due to the outbreak of the COVID 19 virus.

Although we cannot gather together in church until things get back to normal - and they will - we can still get the Word of God to the people around us, where God has placed us. Our radio broadcasts will continue at 8:30 on Sunday mornings, and we will also try to use other forms of media to share the Gospel. Until then, please continue to encourage and pray for one another. And remember, "The Word of God is not bound!"

In Christ,

*Pastor Freese*

If you wish to display an Easter Lily this year, please bring it to the church office by **Tuesday, April 7** and call the church with the name(s) "In memory of" or "In honor of" by **Tuesday, April 7. PLEASE PICK THEM UP BY THURSDAY, APRIL 16 OR THEY WILL BE DISPOSED OF.**

**The last class for Midweek (Grades 3-6) will be Wednesday, April 8 at 4 PM. Midweek Closing Program will be that evening at 5:15 PM. Parents are encouraged to attend.**

**Eighth Grade Confirmation Class will meet Wednesday, April 8 at 6:15 PM and their last class will be Wednesday, April 15 at 6:15 PM.**

Confirmation will be held on Sunday, April 19 at 11 AM. Our Confirmands are: **Rayanne Bedlan & Samantha Bedlan**, daughters of Dave & Laura Bedlan; **Lily Davis & Kelbie Schmidt**, daughters of Dustin & Andrea Schmidt & Shawna Pfingsten; **Stormi DeFrain**, daughter of Cory & Tina DeFrain; **Tristan Korthals**, son of John Korthals & **Ava Kroll**, daughter of Shawn & Teresa Kroll.

**Vacation Bible School will be June 1-5, 9 AM - 12 Noon.** This year's theme is "Rainforest Explorer - Jesus Leads the Way." Kay needs volunteers - there is a sign up sheet on the table in the upper Narthex (by the bulletin board) or contact her at 402-300-1955. A registration form is included in this newsletter. The registration fee is \$10 for the first child and \$5 for each additional child in the family.

At the printing of this Newsletter, we are still uncertain about the concerns of the Coronavirus. Everything has been scheduled as "normal" as it can be!! Please stay tuned to the radio, Facebook and Web Page for any changes. You can also call the church office if you have any questions. **IF YOU WISH TO CONTINUE WITH YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS, PLEASE BRING THEM TO THE CHURCH OFFICE DURING OFFICE HOURS.**

**PLEASE NOTE:** There will be **NO** services, activities, events or meetings held here at Grace **through Saturday, April 4.**

**Palm Sunday** will be Sunday, April 5 with Holy Communion held in both services.

**LWML Circles:** **Mary Circle** will meet Tuesday, April 7 at 1:30 PM at the church. **Abigail Circle** will meet Monday, April 13 at 7 PM at the home of Arlene Luebbe. **Ruth Circle** will meet Thursday, April 16 at 10 AM at Cedarwood.

**Maundy Thursday** services will be held on Thursday, April 9 at 6:30 PM with Holy Communion.

**Good Friday Community Concert** will be held on Friday, April 10 at the Methodist Church at 12 Noon.

**Good Friday** services will be held on Friday, April 10 at 6:30 PM with a cantata by the Adult Choir.

**Easter Sunday** is Sunday, April 12 with a Sunrise service at 6:30 AM. The youth will serve breakfast following this service. Divine services will be held at 8:30 AM and 11 AM. Holy Communion will be observed in **ALL** services. **ALL CHILDREN (PRE-SCHOOL THROUGH HIGH SCHOOL) WILL SING AT THE 8:30 AM SERVICE.**

**A Hymn Sing** will be held Tuesday, April 14 at 2:20 PM at Gardense.

**Elders** will meet on Tuesday, April 14 at 7 PM. **Church Council** will follow at 7:30 PM.

**Ladies Aid** will be held on Thursday, April 16 at 1:30 PM.

**A Parents Night Out** will be held on Saturday, April 18.

**A Voters Meeting** will be held **Sunday, April 19 at 2 PM. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND THIS IMPORTANT MEETING.**

**"Ladies Night Out"** will meet Sunday, April 19 at 6:30 PM.

**The Youth will sponsor a Midweek Lock-In** on Saturday, April 25. Stay tuned for the time and details.

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## INSIDE NEWS FOR APRIL

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**Good Friday Service (Grace Choir Cantata)** -  
April 10, 6:30 PM

**Easter Services & Breakfast** - April 12, 6:30 AM,  
8:30 AM & 11 AM

**Parents Night Out** - April 18

**Confirmation** - April 19

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**Midweek Lock-In** - April 25



# 2020 MISSION GOAL

\$7,960

\$26,000