

# Grace Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

## News & Notes

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Office Hours: M-Th 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. & Friday 8:00 a.m.- Noon

Pastor Eric Obermann 563-321-0032

### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE - December 1<sup>st</sup> - December 8<sup>th</sup>

#### THOSE IN SERVICE TODAY - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>

<p><b>8:00 a.m. Service</b>                  Organist: Diana Baetke                  Elder: Clint Albrecht                  Reader: Mark Sperry                  Acolyte: Kinley Birt                  A/V: Rich Matzen</p>	<p><b>10:30 a.m. Service</b>                  Organist: Diana Baetke                  Elder: Scott Steffens                  Ushers: Burzlaff Family                  Reader: Mark Sperry                  Acolyte: Jackson Butler                  A/V: Rich Matzen</p>
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#### IN SERVICE NEXT WEEK—WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>

**7:00 p.m. Service**  
 Organist: Diana Baetke  
 Elder: Jim Harroun  
 Acolyte: Wyatt Jensen  
 A/V: Need Volunteer

#### **First Wednesday of Advent**

**Setting:** Evening Prayer, pg. 243  
**Hymns:** 348 350 V1-4  
**Scripture:** *Exodus 40:34-40*  
*Revelation 21:1-4*  
**Sermon:** "God's Dwelling"

#### **First Sunday of Advent**

**Setting:** Divine Service, Setting 3, pg. 184  
**Hymns:** 331 350 332 516 357 629 643 338  
**Glory Bound Choir directed by Julie Matzen**  
**Accompanied by Deje Jensen**  
 "We Are Waiting"  
**Scripture:** *Isaiah 2:1-5*  
*Roman's 13:8-14*  
*Matthew 21:1-11*  
**Sermon:** "Is This Palm Sunday?"

#### THOSE IN SERVICE NEXT WEEK SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>

<p><b>8:00 a.m. Service</b>                  Cantata Performance                  Elder: Clint Albrecht                  Acolyte: Brooke Crank &amp; Mallory McMahon                  A/V: Steve Butler</p>	<p><b>10:30 a.m. Service</b>                  Organist: Diana Baetke                  Elder: Scott Steffens                  Ushers: Engelkes Family                  Reader: Jon Betz                  Acolyte: Ashlie Oronzio                  A/V: Steve Butler</p>
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**COMMUNION POLICY** — If you are a member of a Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod Congregation, you are welcome to partake of Communion when offered. If time permits, please identify yourself to the Pastor prior to worship. Those who are members of other denominations are encouraged to use this time of Communion as an opportunity for personal prayer and praise. If you have any questions or concerns about this practice, please ask the Pastor for additional information that will explain the Scriptural foundation for this policy.

**POINSETTIA'S TO DECORATE THE CHURCH CAN BE ORDERED THROUGH DECEMBER 10TH.**

#### **PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS—REVISED**

M-W - 8:00 A.M.—NOON  
 TH - BY APPOINTMENT  
 FR - OFF

Pastor will not be in on December 4th,  
 but he will be here for church.

#### **Our Gifts, Tithes & Offerings for 11/24/2019**

	<b>Amount</b>
Tithes and Offering	\$ 4,643.00
Thanksgiving	300.00
Capital Improvements	25.00
Preschool	45.00
Sunday School Offering	<u>52.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,065.00</b>

**Grace Camp \$5.00**

#### **Attendance for week of 11/24/2019**

<b>In Worship</b>		<b>In Study</b>	
Sunday Service		High School	10
8:00 a.m.	120	Sunday School	53
10:30 a.m.	<u>102</u>	Bible Study	47
<b>Total</b>	<b>222</b>	Staff	<u>14</u>
		<b>Total</b>	<b>124</b>

## CHRISTMAS CANTATA

The Christmas Chorale, including members of Grace and Immanuel Lutheran-Grand Mound proudly present, "**Song of Joy!**" which will be performed on Sunday, December 8 at 8:00 a.m. at Grace and 10:00 a.m. at Immanuel-Grand Mound. Let us lead you in grand celebration as you experience the heart of the season with your very own "**Song of Joy!**" Come celebrate God's gift of salvation this Christmas!

### Children's Christmas Program Practice Schedule

**Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> 1:00-4:00 pm**  
3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> graders only

**Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup> 9:00-12:00 pm**  
All children will practice this day. A complete practice schedule will be handed out during Sunday school on December 8th.

# Calendar

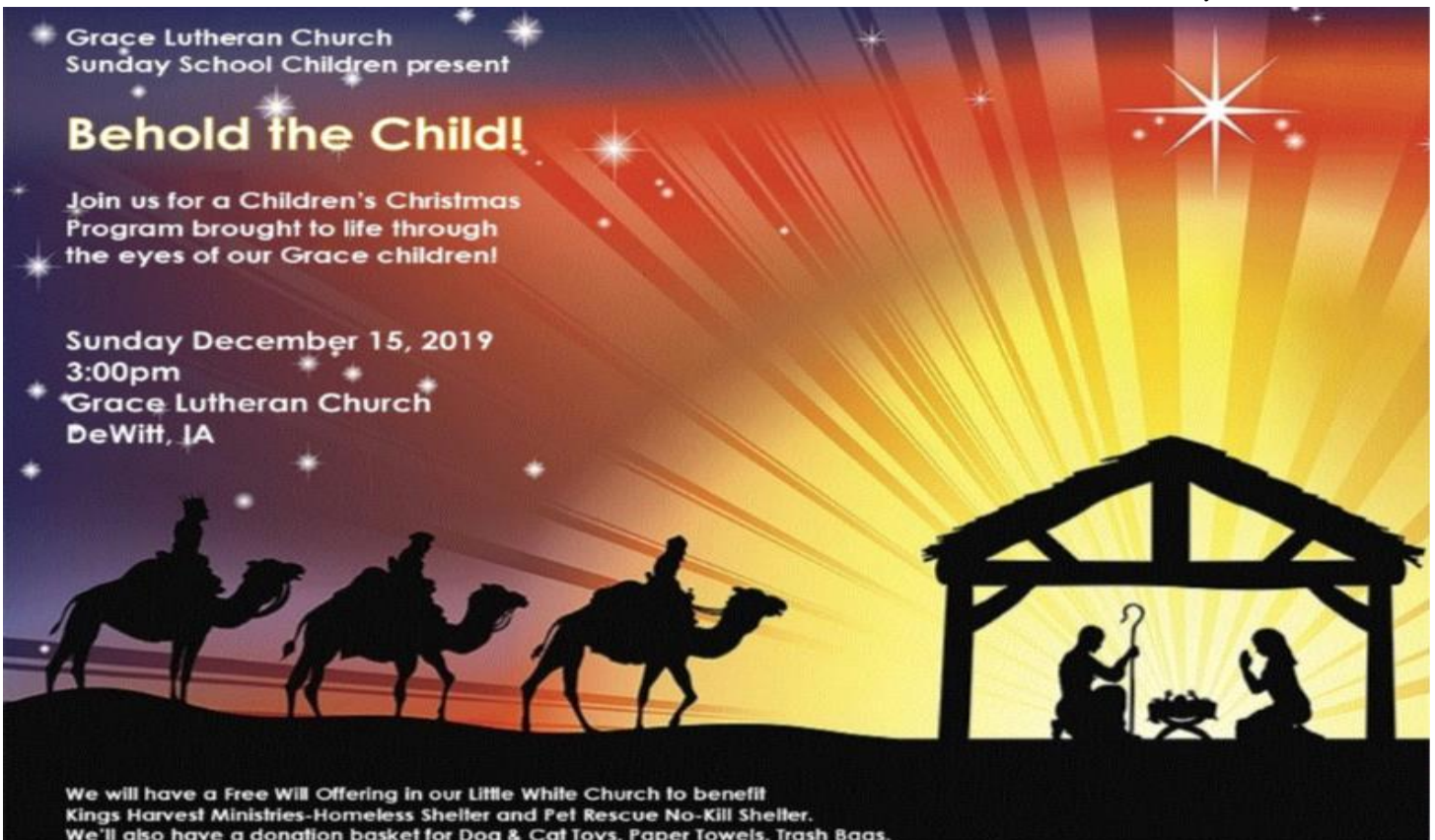
12/1/2019	"Mites" Sunday & Referral Center Month
8:00 AM	Traditional Worship/Comm
9:15 AM	Sunday School/Christmas Program Practice
9:30 AM	Adult Bible Study
10:30 AM	Traditional Worship/Comm
12/2/2019	1:00 PM 500 Card Club
6:00 PM	Council Meeting
12/4/2019	11:00 AM Advent Worship
5:30 PM	Confirmation
6:15 PM	Glory Bound Choir
7:00 PM	Advent Worship
8:00 PM	Cantata Practice @ Immanuel Grand Mound
12/5/2019	9:00 AM Tops Meeting
5:00 PM	Weight Watchers Meeting
12/6/2019	5:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal
12/7/2019	9:00 AM Cantata Practice
2:30 PM	Wedding
12/8/2019	8:00 AM Cantata
9:15 AM	Sunday School
9:30 AM	Adult Bible Study
10:00 AM	Cantata @ Immanuel, Grand Mound
10:30 AM	Traditional Worship
1:00 PM	Christmas Program Practice 3rd - 8th Grade ONLY
6:00 PM	Hall Rental - Women's Ministry Event

Grace Lutheran Church  
Sunday School Children present

## Behold the Child!

Join us for a Children's Christmas Program brought to life through the eyes of our Grace children!

Sunday December 15, 2019  
3:00pm  
Grace Lutheran Church  
DeWitt, IA



We will have a Free Will Offering in our Little White Church to benefit Kings Harvest Ministries-Homeless Shelter and Pet Rescue No-Kill Shelter. We'll also have a donation basket for Dog & Cat Toys, Paper Towels, Trash Bags.