

# Grace Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

## News & Notes

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### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE - September 2<sup>nd</sup> - September 9<sup>th</sup>

#### The Fifteenth Sunday of Pentecost

**Setting:** Divine Service, Setting 4, page 203

**Hymns:** 668 566 Patriotic Hymns 596

**Scripture:** *Deuteronomy 4:1-2; 6-9*  
*Ephesians 6:10-20*  
*Mark 7:14-23*

**Sermon:** "The Force Be with You!"

#### THOSE IN SERVICE - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND

##### 9:00 a.m. Service

Organist: Diana Baetke  
 Elder: Leon Doescher  
 Acolyte: Brooke Paasche  
 A/V: Rich Matzen

## CALENDAR

#### Our Gifts, Tithes & Offerings for 8/26/2016

	Amount
Tithes and Offering	\$ 4,504.00
Capital Improvements	<u>75.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,579.00</b>

**Grace Camp \$ 50.00**

#### Attendance for week of 8/26/2018

In Worship	
Sunday Services	
8:00 a.m.	104
10:00 a.m.	<u>65</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>169</b>

9/2/2018	"Mites" Sunday No Preschool - Labor Day
	9:00 AM Traditional Worship/Communion
9/3/2018	Office Closed - Labor Day
	1:00 PM 500 Card Club
9/4/2018	6:00 PM Council Meeting
9/5/2018	Preschool - M-W 3s Begin
	9:00 AM Sewing Ladies
	5:30 PM Confirmation Classes
	7:00 PM Glory Bound Choir
9/6/2018	Preschool - T-Th 3s Begin
	9:00 AM Tops Meeting
	5:00 PM Weight Watchers Meeting
9/9/2018	8:00 AM Traditional Worship
	9:15 AM Rally Day - Sunday School
	10:30 AM Traditional Worship
	12:00 PM NYG2019 Meeting



Altar flowers were given in loving memory of Malcolm Schroeder and by Mryle McWilliams in loving memory of Lee on their 67th wedding anniversary.

### REFERRAL CENTER MONTH

Do you have extra Hamburger Helper, boxed potatoes, canned fruits & vegetables, paper products or toiletries that you would like to donate to the Referral Center? September is Referral Center Month at Grace. Please bring your donations for the Referral Center to the display in the foyer anytime between September 2nd and September 30th.

**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.

**OctoberFeast** will be here before you know it. During the month of September, the Outreach/ Discipleship Committee will be collecting donations for OctoberFeast expenses. If you would like to help support this great outreach opportunity, please leave your gift in the "Little White Church" located on the table in the foyer.



### CALLING ALL SINGERS!

Come join the Glory Bound Choir this fall! If you've been wanting to...if you've been thinking about it...NOW is the time to give it a try! We meet Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the church balcony. Our first rehearsal for the season is Wednesday, September 5th!

We'd love to see some new faces!



**Bell choir** is starting again for the year on Wednesday, September 12th. If you are a returning member or someone want to try it out, we will be meeting at 6:00PM in the choir loft. Rehearsals will be Wednesdays at 6:00 PM. If you have any questions about bell choir, feel free to text, call, or e-mail me. Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

## GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Sunday, October 14th**

**Serving 3:30-7 PM**

Pastor's Adult Bible Study will begin on September 16th in Grace Hall at 9:15 a.m. We will continue our study the book of Mark.

Sewing ladies will meet on Wednesday, September 5th at 9:00 am in Grace Hall. Everyone is invited to help sew and put together quilts.

## LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

### 2018 Fall Collection Drive

We are collecting items to make school kits. This year we have a need for the following items:

- Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide or college-ruled paper, approximately 8" x 10 1/2" (no loose-leaf paper can be accepted)
- One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons
- Empty computer paper boxes with lids are boxes of similar size with lids

### Rally Day ~ Sunday School!

**Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>** the new Sunday school program year begins and we want YOU to join us. All children ages 3 through 12<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome. Come and meet new friends or reconnect with the ones you haven't seen all summer! This year's theme is: "Saved by Grace." On Rally Day, we invite all classes (children, youth and adults), to join us for the opening upstairs in the Sanctuary beginning at 9:15 am.

**Women's Bible Study** will be meeting upstairs in the conference room again this year. We would love to have you join us for a brand new CPHVideo Bible Study based on The Song of Songs called "Altogether Beautiful." Young or old, married or single, this eight-week study is made for all. Come join us, after the Rally Day festivities, in the conference for fellowship on Sunday, September 9th. You can catch up with friends and order your workbook. The cost of the workbook will be \$15. We will begin our study on Sunday, September 16th. If you can't make it on September 9th just let Cindy Sperry know that you are interested in a workbook.

We would like to thank the Endowment Committee for providing us with the funds for a new TV and DVD player which allows us to offer this new video series!