

Grace Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

News & Notes

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THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE - November 16th— November 23rd

The Twenty-Second Day after Pentecost

Setting: Divine Service, Setting 4 beginning on page 203

Hymns: 664 348 733 633 645

Readings: *Malachi 4:1-6 2 Thessalonians 3:1-13 Luke 21: 5-28*

Sermon: "No Stone Left Upon Another" - Luke 21:33

Praying for: Allen Anderson, Brad Birtell, Jill Jepsen, Dick Block, Elaine Schoening, David Edens, Brayden Lawrence, and Luke Hill.

We offer our prayers and condolences to the families of Dennis Stutzel (brother of Denise Smith) and Betty Ketelsen whom the Lord called to Himself this past week.

Gifts, Tithes & Offerings for 11/9/2025
To fully fund our church budget we need \$7,481.00 per week.

	Amount
Simply Giving	\$ 915.00
Tithes & Offering	\$ 6,315.00
Total	\$ 7,230.00

Weekly Shortage \$ 251.00

Attendance for the week of 11/9/2025

Sunday Worship

8:00 a.m.	95
10:30 a.m.	51
Total	146

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16th

8:00 a.m. Service

Organist: Diana Baetke
Elder: Clint Albrecht
Acolyte: Collin Oliver

10:30 a.m. Service

Organist: Diana Baetke
Elder: Jon Betz
Acolyte: Brady Dies

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23rd

8:00 a.m. Service

Organist: Diana Baetke
Elder: Clint Albrecht
Acolyte: Larry Oronzio

10:30 a.m. Service

Music: Praise Band
Elder: Jon Betz
Acolyte: Gavin Birt

Calendar

11/16/2025	8:00 AM	Traditional Worship w/Communion
	9:15 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Traditional Worship w/Comm
	4:00 PM	Middle School (6th-8th) Youth Night
11/17/2025	1:00 PM	500 Card Club
	7:00 PM	Youth Board Meeting
11/18/2025	6:30 PM	Camp Board Meeting
11/19/2025	5:30 PM	Confirmation
	6:45 PM	Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Cantata Rehearsal
	7:00 PM	High School Bible Study
11/20/2025		Preschool Yoga in Grace Hall
	9:00 AM	Tops Meeting
	4:00 PM	Victory Center Service Event
11/23/2025	8:00 AM	Traditional Worship
	9:15 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Praise Worship

There will be no Senior Exercise Class on November 20th or the 27th.



LAST DAY TO ORDER Poinsettias will be ordered to decorate the Sanctuary for Christmas. If you would like to place one in "Honor of" or in "Memory of" someone, please complete the order form located on the Welcome Center. Place your form and \$10.50 for each poinsettia ordered into the secretaries door. **Deadline to order is November 16th.**



Altar flowers were given in loving memory of Douglas, Paul & Kathi Lieving's son.

Victory Center

November 20th is our next service event at the Victory Center in Clinton. We are still in need of two people to provide soup and one person to provide a salad. If you can help with this, please sign your name on the sign-up sheet on the Welcome Center.



Wednesday, November 26th
7:00 pm



Although the traditional shoeboxes are due today, you can still **Build a Shoebox online now through 11/22**. With a \$30 online donation, you can pick out items to build a shoebox, which will be sent to a child and give them the opportunity to hear the Gospel. To get started, visit the Grace Lutheran Church goal page on the Operation Christmas Child website by going to:

<https://build-a-shoebox.samaritanaspurse.org/view/6ab4871d-77bc-4fa4-985d-fa19233c84bb> or scanning the QR code. Please contact Kristy Engelkes at 563-210-2462 if you need help or have any questions.



As our Operation Christmas Child drive completes today, let us continue to pray for this mission and the impact these Christmas shoeboxes will have on those who receive them.

- Praise the Lord for the opportunity to bring great joy and Good News of Jesus Christ to children through the gift-filled shoeboxes. Ask God to prepare their hearts to respond to His love through these simple treasures.
- Pray for the thousands of people who will process the shoeboxes at each step and those who will handle the logistics of getting shoebox gifts to children all around the world
- Pray for the Lord to guide the ministry partners around the world as they distribute the shoebox gifts and share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with the children, their families and their communities.

LAST DAY TO MAKE CHANGES in Offering Envelopes for 2026—It is that time of year again when I prepare the 2026 Offering Envelope list. In order to assist me in creating an accurate list of those members who need envelopes I need your assistance. On the Welcome Center is a form, if you currently have envelopes but no longer need them or if you do not have envelopes and would like them I need to know. Take a moment to write your name down on the form and indicate, with a check mark, your desired change.

SR. HIGH MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY

Our study meets Wednesday's @ 7:00 pm at the Sperry's. Please join us for Bible study and fellowship. Our last meeting for the year will be on the 19th. We will not meet on the 26th as there is Thanksgiving Eve Worship that evening.

Join us for an **ADVENT TEA**

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 7TH
11:45AM (AFTER LATE SERVICE)
GRACE HALL**

*Enjoy soups, coffee,
tea and lemonade!*



*Rejoice in the Lord always.
I will say it again: Rejoice!
The Lord is near.*

**FEATURING AN
ADVENT DEVOTIONAL
WITH MICHELLE DIERCKS**



Referral Center Donations

The DeWitt Central National Honor Society is hosting a Canned Food Drive. They are collecting non-perishable items like canned goods, seasoning packets, cereal, stuffing, cake mixes, and hygienic items. Donations will be accepted before the musical on November 14-16.

Looking for cards? We have some Thanksgiving Cards a wide variety of sympathy, thinking of you, get well, and birthday cards, available for purchase next to the Welcome Center. Please take a moment to see the wide assortment of cards and napkins displayed in the foyer.