

# Grace Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

## News & Notes

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### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE - August 8<sup>th</sup> - August 15<sup>th</sup>

#### Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

**Setting:** Divine Service Setting 3, pg. 184

**Hymns:** 851 411 803

**Scripture:** 1 Kings 19:1-8 James 3:1-12 John 6:35-51

**Sermon:**

**Praying for:** Esther Schroeder, Gary Smith, Don Hesse, and Marty Block.

#### THOSE IN SERVICE

##### SUNDAY, AUGUST 8<sup>th</sup>

##### **8:00 a.m. Service**

Organist: Diana Baetke  
 Elder: Clint Albrecht  
 Acolyte: Hattie Rickertsen

##### **10:00 a.m. Service**

Music: Praise Band  
 Elder: Jon Betz

##### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11<sup>th</sup>

##### **7:00 p.m. Service**

Organist: Diana Baetke  
 Elder: Ray Ackermann

##### SUNDAY, AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup>

##### **8:00 a.m. Service**

Organist: Diana Baetke  
 Elder: Clint Albrecht  
 Acolyte: Kamryn Albrecht

##### **10:00 a.m. Service**

Music: Praise Band  
 Elder: Jon Betz

#### Gifts, Tithes & Offerings for 8/1/2021

*To fully fund our church budget  
 we need \$6,238.00 per week.*

	<i>Amount</i>
Tithes & Offering	\$ 8,173.00

#### Attendance for the week of 8/1/2021

	<i>Attendance</i>
Wednesday Service	
8:00 a.m.	19
Sunday Service	
8:00 a.m.	58
10:00 a.m.	<u>57</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>134</b>

#### 2022 Offering Envelopes

If you are in need of envelopes and don't currently have them or have envelopes but don't need them, we ask that you fill out an envelope sheet, located on the Welcome Center at church. Please, contact the church office with any questions.

#### Sunday School Registration is Open—

Children 3yrs through 12th grade are invited to join us for Sunday School, which begins on Sunday, September 12th. Please take a moment to register your child for Sunday School by logging into [www.gracedewitt.org](http://www.gracedewitt.org).

#### Back to Sunday School Rally—

Sunday, August 22nd at 11:30 am (after the outdoor service) at Grace Camp. All Grace kids and their families are invited for a fun filled event to kick off our Sunday School Season!

#### Scripture Reflections:

**Ephesians 4:28 – “Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need.”** God gives us honest work to do so that we can be a blessing to others. That's how so many of God's blessings go. He gives to us so that we in turn can be a blessing to others. He graciously calls us into the midst of His own work in the world.



Altar flowers were given by Bev Johnson in loving memory of Ralph Johnson.

#### GRACE YOUTH MINISTRY 101

Have you ever read the Grace monthly newsletter and wondered what is the NYG, or what is the Sr. High Gathering, or what are some of these other activities, events and service projects our youth are involved in, or what are our responsibilities at all these meals I see the youth working at? If so, then this meeting is for you. DCE, Mark Sperry will be hosting a Grace Youth Ministry 101 session. Parents of students in 6th through 12th grades are invited to join Mark at the G\*Y\*M Building at Grace Camp on Sunday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 am following the outdoor worship service.

# Calendar

8/8/2021	8:00 AM	Traditional Worship
	10:00 AM	Praise Worship @ Grace Camp
8/9/2021	6:00 PM	Council Meeting
8/11/2021	7:00 AM	Finance Board Meeting
	7:00 PM	Worship
8/12/2021	9:00 AM	Tops Meeting
8/15/2021		Newsletter Deadline
	8:00 AM	Grace Camp Pancake Breakfast
	8:00 AM	Traditional Worship/Communion
	10:00 AM	Praise Worship/Communion @ Grace Camp
	11:15 AM	Grace Youth Ministry 101

The "Little White" Church will be out through the month of August to collect donations for the Sunday School Rally. The Sunday School Rally will be held on August 22nd.

## **LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF** **2021 Fall Collection Drive** **School Kits**

### **Supplies needed for each School Kit:**

- Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide or college-ruled paper, approximately 8" x 10 ½" (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 pencil sharpener
- One blunt scissors (safety scissors)
- Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- Five #2 Pencils
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons
- One 2 ½" eraser

The Iowa Sate Extension office invites everyone to Monarch Celebration Day—Saturday, August 14th from 10:30 to 1 pm at the Clinton County Fairgrounds Auditorium in DeWitt. Enjoy activities, crafts, and live exhibits. Free.

## **Confirmation Classes**

Grace offers a three-year program for student in 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades. If you have a student in one of these grades, please contact the church office to let us know they will be attending classes beginning this September. An email with more information will be sent out in early August. Confirmation Orientation will take place on Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 pm here at Grace Church.

## **Intro. to the Bible**

If you have a student who is entering 3<sup>rd</sup> grade this fall, please stop by the office to pick-up your Introduction to the Bible packet. Bibles will be presented to the children during either service on Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>.

**THANK YOU!**  
*thank you!*

Thanks you to all those who supported and helped out with the RAGBRAI supper we hosted..... from the pie and dessert bakers, to those who set up and took down tables and chairs, to those ladies who made and baked the pasta, and men who baked the bread sticks, to those who served the food and drinks, those who picked up trays and cleared tables, those who greeted the bikers at the door and the families who walked the street and park with flyers and trays of pies.....And to all who donated financial-ly.....thank you and God Bless you all,

The Camp and Discipleship Board

*Side note: We served around 500 hungry bicyclists with a free will offering of \$3737.*

The first day of Sunday School will be held on Sunday, September 12th at 9:15 am. We have a great group of children who are eager to hear about God's Word.

We ask you to search your heart and prayerfully consider lending your talent to teach a Sunday school class. We are currently in need of teachers for our 3rd grade and 5th-grade class. Please, contact Pastor Eric for more information..

Dear Church *family,*  
It's time for a New Directory!



*Celebrating faith.  
Connecting families.  
Sharing hope.*

When people enter the doors of our church they are looking for a place to belong. Our directory brings us together to develop new relationships, connect with our own families and reconnect with those we haven't seen in a while. Join us for this "Connections Event" and be part of what God is doing right here at our church!

*Directory Committee*

## *Connections Event*

***Our church directory will not be complete without you. Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album.***

- **Schedule your professional photography session when you stop by the sign-up table at church or simply go online and follow the instructions below.** If we don't see your name on our list of appointments, you will receive a phone call inviting you to participate.
- **Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a directory!**
- **Universal provides a complete professional portrait studio right here at our church!** You'll enjoy a variety of poses, backgrounds, portrait sizes, finish and framing options AND have the opportunity to purchase portraits to give to family and friends.

Set your appointment with Universal today!



*Gathering families,  
Connecting generations.*

