

Grace Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

News & Notes

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THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE - November 23rd— November 30th

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Setting: Divine Service, Setting 4 beginning on page 203

Hymns: 435 420 680

Grace Choir directed by Julie Matzen; Accompanied by Connie Vickers - "This is the Day"

Readings: *Malachi 3:13-18 Colossians 1:13-20 Luke 23:27-43*

Sermon: "Home Today!" - Luke 23:43

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

We offer our prayers and condolences to the families of Steve Trafford whom the Lord called to Himself this past week.

Gifts, Tithes & Offerings for 11/16/2025
To fully fund our church budget we need \$7,481.00 per week.

	Amount
Simply Giving	\$ 1,536.00
Tithes & Offering	\$ 3,953.00
Total	\$ 5,489.00

Weekly Shortage \$ 1,992.00

Attendance for the week of 11/16/2025

Sunday Worship

8:00 a.m.	92
10:30 a.m.	62
Total	154

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26th

7:00 p.m. Service

Organist: Diana Baetke
Acolyte: Ava Johnson

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30th

8:00 a.m. Service

Organist: Diana Baetke
Elder: Clint Albrecht
Acolyte: Cameron Miller

10:30 a.m. Service

Organist: Diana Baetke
Elder: Jon Betz
Acolyte: Kitt Converse

Calendar

11/23/2025	8:00 AM	Traditional Worship
	9:15 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Praise Worship
11/24/2025	6:30 PM	Board of Christian Education
11/25/2025	7:00 PM	Cantata Rehearsal
11/26/2025		No Preschool
	9:00 AM	Sewing Ladies
	7:00 PM	Thanksgiving Eve Worship
11/27/2025		No Preschool/Office Closed
11/28/2025		Office Closed/No Preschool
11/30/2025	8:00 AM	Traditional Worship w/Communion
	10:30 AM	Traditional Worship w/Comm

Thank you to everyone who participated in Operation Christmas Child. We were able to fill 80 traditional shoeboxes, 12 online shoeboxes and collected \$1,152.00 in monetary donations to be used to fund mailing costs and Gospel lesson materials. As the shoeboxes are now transferred to drop-off locations and distribution warehouses and then transported all over the world, please continue to pray for this mission, the children, the churches and all those who share their love through this mission.



Altar flowers were given by the Ackerman Family with thanks to God for many blessings.



**Join us on Sunday, November 30th,
after late service, to help decorate the
church for Christmas.**



**Wednesday, November 26th
7:00 pm**



Advent Worship
11:00 am & 7:00 pm
December 3rd & 10th

OPENS FRIDAY, NOV. 28TH

Grace Camp Tree Farm
2675 242ND ST, DEWITT, IA

CHRISTMAS TREES

Variety of Pre Cut Available

6-8' Canaan Firs \$ 60

7-8' Fraser Firs \$ 90

10'+ Fraser Firs \$ 125

CUT YOUR OWN!
\$ 70

WREATHS AVAILABLE!

24" \$ 30

36" \$ 40



Hours: Friday (Nov 28th Only) - 9:00 am to 4:30 pm
Saturday - 9:00 am to 4:30 pm
Sunday - 11:00 am to 4:30 pm

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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**



GRACE EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

Christmas ANGEL TREE

PROVIDING CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR LOCAL
FAMILIES IN NEED SO THEY'LL KNOW THE
JOY THE CHRISTMAS SEASON BRINGS

**TAKE A TAG TO
BLESS A FAMILY**

NOVEMBER 26 THROUGH DECEMBER 12

1-Take an angel from the tree. Write
your name on the sign-up sheet.

2-Purchase your gift, approximate
value of \$25-\$40

3-Wrap the gift and attach the angel
tag. Place under the Christmas tree
in the foyer.

RETURN GIFT

NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 14



Thank You!
Grace Board of Outreach

The Christmas Season is approaching. It is the time of year when we write out Christmas Cards to our friends and family. This year, why not consider writing Christmas Cards to the residence at Maggie's House, Fieldstone and Legacy of the Meadows. Please take a moment to write a short note or sentiment on Christmas Cards, your own or use ones we have provided, sign your first name (last name is optional). When completed bring them back to church and place in the designated basket. We ask that these cards be at church on or before December 14th.

Members of the DeWitt Community Hospital Auxiliary invite you to join us to light the windows of MercyOne Genesis DeWitt with Starry Nights of Love during this holiday season. As a fundraiser, you are welcome to light stars to remember, honor, thank, or give hope to someone special. All funds received will stay in our immediate area to help health services' clients and staff have a more enjoyable experience at our local medical facilities. We expect to start turning on the remembrance lights next week. To receive a form or for more information, please contact Lori Green at hasgreen@hotmail.com. or Cindy Garcia at csgarcia71.cg@gmail.com