Grace Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

News & Notes



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THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE – September 27th - October 4th

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Setting: Divine Service, Setting 3, beginning on page 184

Hymns: 549 655 543

Readings: *Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32* *Philippians 2:1-4, 14-18* *Matthew 21:23-32*

Sermon: "Are You Tired of Living?"

Praying For: Allen Anderson, Brad Birtell, Dick Block, David Edens, Betsy Henningsen, Mary Krapl, Matthew Soenksen, Maribeth Penningroth and Barb Billhorn.

CALENDAR

9/27/2026	8:00 AM	Traditional Worship
	9:15 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
	10:30 AM	Traditional Worship
9/28/2026	6:00 PM	Board of Christian Education
9/30/2026	5:30 PM	Confirmation
	7:00 PM	Grace Choir
	7:00 PM	High School Bible Study
10/1/2026	9:00 AM	Tops Meeting
	9:30 AM	Stay Active Senior Exercise Group
10/4/2026		"Mites" Sunday
	8:00 AM	Traditional Worship w/Communion
	9:15 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
	10:30 AM	Traditional Worship/Communion
	4:00 PM	High School Youth Group

Gifts, Tithes & Offerings for 9/20/2026. To fully fund the church budget, we need $7,929.00 per week.

Weekly Offering $ 3,546.00

Weekly Shortage: $ 4,383.00

Attendance for the week of 9/20/2026

Sunday Worship

8:00 am	69
10:30 am	40
Total	**109**

Sunday School Attendance - 9/20/2026 - 11

Those in Service

Sunday, September 27th

8:00 a.m. Service
Pastor Merle Warnsholz
Organist: Diana Baetke
Elder: Alan Ruggeberg
Acolyte: Adelynn Williams

10:30 a.m. Service
Pastor Merle Warnsholz
Organist: Diana Baetke
Elder: Aaron Myers & Lucas Rickertsen
Acolyte: Brynlee Dies

Sunday, October 4th

8:00 a.m. Service
Pastor Merle Warnsholz
Organist: Diana Baetke
Elder: Paul Kirby
Acolyte: Emmett Rickertsen & James Gruntorad

10:30 a.m. Service
Pastor Merle Warnsholz
Organist: Diana Baetke
Elder: Jon Betz
Acolyte: Ryleigh Spain

LAST DAY TO SUPPORT THE SEPTEMBER MISSION SPOTLIGHT - EIGHT DAYS OF HOPE

Serving as the hands and feet of Christ by providing light in the face of darkness and restoration in the face of destruction. Eight Days of Hope is a Christian nonprofit organization that responds to disasters nationwide. Their teams help rebuild homes, communities, and lives while sharing Christ's love and hope with those who are hurting.

YOU CAN HELP! This month, we will be collecting financial donations to support Eight Days of Hope. Donations may be placed in the wooden box located on the table in the foyer. **Donations will be collected through September 27th.**

Together, we can bring hope, healing, and restoration to those in need. Thank you for helping us be the hands and feet of Christ!

To date we have collected $70 toward this mission.



Pies & Dessert Bakers

October 11th will be here before you know it! We need volunteers to make pies and desserts for **OctoberFeast**. Sign-up sheets are located on the table in the foyer. Thank you for helping make this special event a success!

Tickets On Sale Now!

You can purchase your tickets for **OctoberFeast** on Sundays before or after worship service, or stop by the church office during the week.

- **Adults:** $15 in advance | $17 at the door
- **Children (5-10):** $5

We hope you'll join us for OctoberFeast!

Fall Rally • Fellowship • Faith • Service!

You're Invited! Join the Clinton Zone LWML Fall Rally on Saturday, October 17th, at Trinity Lutheran Church, 656 Fifth Avenue South, Clinton.

8:30 AM – Registration, coffee & rolls
9:00 AM – Rally begins

Enjoy fellowship, opening devotions with Pastor Pool, and a Bible study on "The Reformation" led by Pastor Stephen Gallo. We'll also welcome our new District President, Angie Banko! Come for the fellowship, stay for the service! We hope to see you there!

Trinity Ladies Aid & Trinity Eventide Guild



Victory Center Service Event – October 15th

Thank you to everyone who helped make our September Victory Center meal a success through food, service, and prayer!

Our next meal is Thursday, October 15th, serving up to 40 guests. Volunteers are needed to provide:

Main Dishes – 5 | Salads/Sides – 4 | Desserts – 3 | Milk – 2 | Delivery & Serving – 5

Sign-up sheet is located on the Welcome Center.

TRUNK OR TREAT

Children, families, and friends of Grace Lutheran Church are invited to Trunk or Treat at Grace Camp!

🗓️ **Sunday, October 25th -** ⏰ **3:00–5:00 PM**
📍 **Grace Camp**

Children will walk through the grounds with their adult(s), gathering treats from decorated vehicles along the way! If a child is unable to walk the grounds, please let us know so we can make a plan to accommodate them.

Would You Like to Host a Trunk?

Hosting a trunk is a fun way to help make this event special for our children and families! If you would like to participate, you will need to:

- Arrive at Grace Camp no later than 2:00 PM on October 25th to get your vehicle in place and decorated.
- Provide your own vehicle decorations. Get creative and have fun!
- Provide treats to distribute from your vehicle. We are planning for approximately 200 children.

SIGN UP IN ADVANCE!

PLEASE BE SURE TO SIGN UP TO HOST A TRUNK in advance. A sign-up sheet is located on the Welcome Center at Grace Lutheran Church. You may also contact Kerry Good at Grace Church at 563-659-9153 to sign up or ask questions.

We hope you'll join us for a fun afternoon
of treats, creativity, and fellowship!