

Grace Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

News & Notes

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THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE – September 6th - September 13th

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Hymns: 915 725 707 611 698 649

Readings: *Ezekiel 33:7-9 Romans 13:1-10 Matthew 18:1-20*

Sermon: "The Greatest" – Matthew 18:3-4

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

CALENDAR

9/6/2026	"Mites" Sunday
	Traditional Worship
8:00 AM	w/Communion
10:30 AM	Traditional Worship/Communion
3:00 PM	High School Youth Group
9/7/2026	Office Closed & No Preschool
9/8/2026	6:00 PM Preschool Board Meeting
	6:30 PM Elders Meeting
9/9/2026	7:00 AM Board of Finance Meeting
	5:30 PM Confirmation
	7:00 PM Grace Choir
	7:00 PM High School Bible Study
9/10/2026	9:00 AM Tops Meeting
	9:30 AM Stay Active Senior Exercise Group
9/11/2026	Concordia Students @ Camp
9/12/2026	Concordia Students @ Camp
9/13/2026	Concordia Students @ Camp
	RaiseRight Orders Due
8:00 AM	Traditional Worship
9:15 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
10:30 AM	Praise Worship
11:30 AM	LCMSYG2028 Meeting

LCMSYG2028 Meeting

Attention all incoming 7th – 11th graders. Please join us **Sunday, September 13th** at 11:30 am for an informational meeting about the 2028 LCMS Youth Gathering. We will meet in Grace Hall here at church. If you can't attend this meeting but are interested in attending the 2028 gathering, please let Mr. Sperry know.

Gifts, Tithes & Offerings for 8/30/2026. To fully fund the church budget, we need \$7,929.00 per week.

Weekly Offering \$ 6,417.00

Weekly Shortage: \$ 1,512.00

Attendance for the week of 8/30/2026

Sunday Worship

8:00 am	73
10:30 am	67
Total	140

Those in Service

Sunday, September 6th

8:00 a.m. Service

Pastor Merle Warnsholz

Organist: Diana Baetke

Elder: Alan Ruggeberg

Acolyte: Dennis Wold

10:30 a.m. Service

Pastor Merle Warnsholz

Organist: Diana Baetke

Elder: Aaron Myers & Lucas Rickertsen

Acolyte: Zane Burzlaff

Sunday, September 13th

8:00 a.m. Service

Pastor Merle Warnsholz

Organist: Diana Baetke

Elder: Alan Ruggeberg

Acolyte: Brody Lawrence

10:30 a.m. Service

Pastor Merle Warnsholz

Organist: Diana Baetke

Elder: Aaron Myers & Lucas Rickertsen

Acolyte: Kennick Meyer



Altar flowers were given in loving memory of Malcom Schroeder.

Concordia University Students Visiting

We are excited to welcome students from Concordia University to Grace Camp on September 11–13!

To help provide meals and snacks for the students during their stay, we are asking for donations of fruit, cereal, chips, water, milk, cookies, and breakfast items.

If you are able to help, please sign up on the donation sheets located on the table in the church foyer. All donated items should be brought to the church by Thursday, September 10, at noon.

Join Grace Choir!
NOW
is the time to give it a try!

Our first rehearsal will be on
Wednesday, September 9th,
at 7:00 p.m.

We will meet in the **Choir Loft.**

Come join in on the **FUN** while we
sing to God's glory!

Referral Center Donations

We will continue to collect monthly donations for the Referral Center as the need is great. The Referral Center can always use kid-friendly cereal, canned fruit, Ranch dressing, BBQ sauce, dish soap, peanut butter, Jell-O, pudding, and so much more. All donations can be left in the shopping cart located in the foyer.

Greeters are needed to extend a warm welcome to members and visitors before worship services. Greeters are asked to be at church 20 minutes before the service begins. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center for a date you are available to help.

LWML Mites Collection –

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) will be collecting "Mites" on today, September 6th. These offerings help support LCMS mission projects locally and around the world. If you would like to participate, you may place your donation in the Mite Box located in the Narthex.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
 SEPTEMBER 2026

Mission SPOTLIGHT

EIGHT DAYS OF HOPE



What is the mission?

The mission of Eight Days of Hope is to serve as the hands and feet of Christ by providing light in the face of darkness and restoration in the face of destruction. They are a Christian, non-profit organization that responds to disasters across the country, helping to rebuild homes, communities and lives. "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace" 1 Peter 4:10

Who does it serve?

Eight Days of Hope rebuilds communities after disasters, builds and remodels safe houses for survivors of human trafficking, responds to natural disasters within 48-72 hours after they happen offering hope to the broken-hearted and shares the love of Jesus by providing meals for eight days after a natural disaster.

How can you help?

During the month of September, we will be collecting financial donations to support the Eight Days of Hope ministries. Monetary donations can be placed in the wooden church box located in the church foyer.