

# Grace Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

## News & Notes

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Gifts, Tithes & Offerings for 4/19/2026. To fully fund the church budget, we need \$7,929.00 per week.

Weekly Offering \$ 5,688.00

**Weekly Shortage \$ 2,241.00**

**Attendance for the week of 4/19/2026**

### Sunday Worship

8:00 am 59

10:30 am 69

**Total 128**

### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE – April 26<sup>th</sup> – May 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### The Fourth Sunday of Easter

**Setting:** Divine Service, Setting 4, beginning on page 203

**Hymns:** (Early: 711 710 921) (Late: 915 722 953 702 729 922)

**Readings:** (Early: Acts 2:42-47 1 Peter 2:19-25 John 10::1-10)  
(Late: Deuteronomy 29:10-15 Revelation 2:8-11 John 3:16-21)

**Sermon:** Early - "What Could the Resurrected Life Look Like" – Acts:2-42  
Late – "The Places You'll Go" – Revelation 2:10

**Praying For:** Allen Anderson, Brad Birtell, Dick Block, Elaine Schoening, David Edens, Vicki Thomas, Scott McBride, Betsy Henningsen, Steve Smith, and Mary Krapl.

We offer our prayers and condolences to the families of Jill Jepson and Brad Anderson whom the Lord called to Himself this past week.

#### Those in Service

##### Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>

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

**Pastor Merle Warnsholz**

Organist: Diana Baetke

Elder: Scott Steffens

Acolyte: Brynlee Dies

##### 10:30 a.m. Service

**Pastor Merle Warnsholz**

Organist: Diana Baetke

Elder: Clint Albrecht

Acolyte: Dennis Wold

##### Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>

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

**Pastor Merle Warnsholz**

Organist: Diana Baetke

Elder: Paul Kirby

Acolyte: Gavin Birt

##### 10:30 a.m. Service

**Pastor Merle Warnsholz**

Organist: Diana Baetke

Elder: Jon Betz

Acolyte: Cade & Kitt Converse

## CALENDAR

4/26/2026		Randy's Round Up for Grace Youth
	8:00 AM	Traditional Worship
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	9:15 AM	Women's Bible Study
	10:30 AM	Traditional Worship w/Communion (Confirmation Sunday)
4/27/2026	6:30 PM	Board of Christian Education
4/29/2026		Church Office Closes at 1:00 pm
	5:30 PM	Confirmation
4/30/2026		Church Office Closes at 1:00 pm
	9:00 AM	Tops Meeting
	9:30 AM	Stay Active Senior Exercise Group
5/1/2026		Church Office is Closed
5/2/2026	3:00 PM	Wedding
5/3/2026		"Mites" Sunday
		RaiseRight Orders Due
	8:00 AM	Traditional Worship w/Communion
	9:15 AM	Adult Bible Class & Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Traditional Worship w/Communion

### Mission Spotlight for April – Summer Lunchbox Program

This is the **last week** to donate towards our April mission. The Summer Lunchbox Program provides food for children in the Central DeWitt Community School District during the summer months when school meals are not available. Our monetary donation will go towards purchasing the needed groceries. Donations can be left in the "White Church" located in the foyer. **Total donations collected to date: \$357.**

*You are joyfully invited  
to celebrate the marriage of  
Kristen Flathers & Christian Teigum*

**Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**@ Grace Lutheran Church  
Ceremony begins at 3:00 PM**

All members of the church are warmly welcomed to witness and share in this sacred moment as Kristen and Christian begin their life together.

*We hope you can join us  
celebrating this joyful occasion!*

**Voters' Meeting** - Please join us for our Voters' Meeting on Monday, May 4th, at 7:00 p.m.

During this meeting:

Our boards will share updates on their recent work and activities.

We will review and vote on the 26/27 Preschool Budget.

Your participation is important as we make decisions together for the future of our ministry. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Looking for cards? A variety of cards and napkins are available for purchase next to the Welcome Center.** Please take a moment to see the wide assortment of cards displayed in the foyer.

Graduation cards have arrived!!!

### **Servant Event at the Victory Center**

Join us on **Thursday, May 21st** for our next servant event! We need volunteers to provide: cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, sour cream, salsa, taco sauce, desserts, salads, and milk. We also need help with serving, setup, and cleanup.

Thank you for helping bless our community!

### **GRACE CAMP DAY CAMPS**

Grace Camp will again offer Day Camps during June. Day Camps are primarily for children entering 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grades for the 2026-2027 school year. Registration is now open.

You can only register for one session of each camp, not both.

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – WE NEED YOU**

Recruitment and planning continue for this year's VBS program. The theme is: **“Emerald Crossing”**. To make this program a success we need your help. Please check out the volunteer registration bulletin board in the atrium and consider signing up for one of the roles. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact DCE, Mark Sperry. The dates are Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> – Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. A light meal will be served from 5:00 pm – 5:30 pm. The program will run each evening from 5:45 pm – 8:00 pm. **Registration will open on June 1<sup>st</sup>.**

There will be a Volunteer Rally on Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 pm at the G\*Y\*M Building at Grace Camp. Please put this on your calendars and plan to be there.

Grace Lutheran Church

# GOOD LORD!

## Summer Camp 2026

Apply to be a camp counselor.

**9th Grade - College**

To Apply as a counselor, please follow the steps below:

1. Obtain an application form from Mark Sperry. You can either pick it up at the church or one can be emailed to you.
2. Submit the completed application to [msperry@gracedewitt.org](mailto:msperry@gracedewitt.org).
3. Once the application is approved, you will be contacted and given a link to register. You must wait to receive the link to register.

**REGISTRATION OPENS  
JUNE 1ST**

**CONTACT INFORMATION:  
[msperry@gracedewitt.org](mailto:msperry@gracedewitt.org)  
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Vacation Bible School 2026  
**emerald crossing**

**June 22<sup>nd</sup> – June 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:30 to 8:00 pm**  
**Children 3years – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Join us for Emerald Crossing, where children will discover the life of Shepherd –king David and learn how to cross from anxiety to peace. In a world filled with worry and confusion, kids need to know the God who cares for them.

**Please remember that on Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, and Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, the church office will close at 1:00 pm.**