# Grace at a Glance

(August 2019)



Member of Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ

### We're on a Mission--Come Join Us!

On a mission to **commit** to Christ... On a mission to **grow** in our faith... On a mission to **reach** out to others...

# **Keeping Up with the Calendar:**

**August 4:** Traditional Worship with Holy Communion

at 9:15 a.m. (Schier Baptism)

August 5: Prayer meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Women's Evening Bible study at 7:00 p.m. Men's Fellowship Group at 7:00 p.m.

August 11: Worship at 9:15 a.m.

August 13: Women Tuesday Morning Bible Study at 10:00 a.m.

GLCCC Board meeting at 5:00 p.m.

August 15: Council meeting at 6:30 p.m.

August 16: GLCCC Parent Appreciation Picnic for at 3:00 p.m. for

the parents and families attending GLCCC

**August 18:** Traditional Worship w/Holy Communion at 9:15 a.m.

August 19: Prayer meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Women's Evening Bible study at 7:00 p.m. Men's Fellowship Group at 7:00 p.m.

August 21: Alpha Training at 6:30 p.m.

**August 25:** Worship at 9:15 a.m.

August 28: Alpha Training at 6:30 p.m.

August 31: Overflow Project – please contact Sheri Denowksi

715-819-3321 or SheriAndDave.Denowski@gmail.com

(Church Office closed on Fridays)

PRAYER FELLOWSHIP: Everyone is invited every other Monday at 6:30 for a time of prayer together in the conference room. We meet half hour before men's and women's Bible study. This is a time to share burdens, pray, or simply sit in silence. You will not be expected to pray out loud if you are not comfortable with that. Everyone is welcome to come just as they are and be blessed by the intimate presence of God.

"Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working." (James 5:16)

# Grace Lutheran Church and Child Care Center

(a congregation of LCMC, Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ)

11284 Highway 10 West, Marshfield, WI 54449 715-676-2753

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Karla DeLeske, Office Manager gracemarshfield@tds.net

(Church Office closed on Fridays)

Grace Lutheran Website: www.gracemarshfield.org

#### LCMC -People on a mission

The vision of the LCMC is that every church would be:

- 1) People of Prayer
- 2) Mission Minded
- 3) Connected to One Another
- 4) Trained and Equipped for Ministry.

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# **Keeping Up with the Family:**



Doug and Jan Dix	8/03
Dave and Heather Hainz	8/04
Dave and Stacey Schmitz	8/07
Dave and Sheri Denowski	8/12
Mark and Beth Peckham	8/18
Justin and Breanna VanDeHey	8/23
Norm and Bobbie Saracoff	8/31



1 Timothy 2 -- "I, Paul, urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone-- for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.

This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth...I want men everywhere to lift up holy hands in prayer, without anger or disputing."

#### Pray for:

- ► GLCCC financial situation
- > Repairs on our church building

#### **Pray for our Church Ministries:**

- Sunday School teachers and students
- ➤ Women's Bible Studies
- Men's Discipleship Group
- Childcare Center
- > Youth Group
- Confirmation Class Students and Mentors

# Pray for those who are homebound/in nursing homes:

- ➤ Irlene Wagner (at Wells Nature View/Apple Ave.)
- Dorothy Riedel (at Aster House)
- ➤ Colleen Bell (at home)
- Yvonne Klatt (at Atrium Post Acute Care)

### Pray for our church leaders:

- Our Church Council and Pastor Tim
- Pastor Mark Vander-Tuig, Service Coordinator for LCMC and the Board of Trustees of LCMC

#### Pray for people serving our country:

- Governor Tony Evers, President Trump, Vice-President Pence and other leaders
- ➤ All those in military service



Cade Weichelt	8/1
Marie Cattanach	8/2
Heather Hainz	8/2
Tessah Lang	8/6
Joseph Gilbertson	8/8
Lukas Halan	8/8
Howard Rand	8/8
Brianna Leggate	8/15
Bill Mitchell	8/16
David Vanzke	8/18
Todd Cattanach	8/19
Ottillie Jansen	8/20
Trudy Schier	8/20
Jan Dix	8/21
Christy Gilbertson	8/21
Easton Halan	8/21
Blake Meissner	8/23
Sheri Denowski	8/24
Emily Gilbertson	8/24
Laura Aschebrook	8/25
Anna Westerhausen	8/25
Amanda Heiman	8/27
James Good	8/29
Lisą Larson	8/29



# **Keeping Up with the Financials:**

**Financial Snapshot of Grace** (July 31, 2019)

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse" says the Lord. (Malachi 3:10)

YTD Budget (Income) \$ 87,500.00 General Fund \$ 718.03 YTD Contributions \$ 66,777.60 Bills waiting \$ 1,368.35 YTD Expenses \$ 82,554.95 plus July 31 payroll Savings Total is now \$ 31,178.44 \$20,226.48 ServiceMaster waiting on insurance claim Tithing

June Contributions to funds. (\*Needed for Budget \$ 12,500.00/month)

DATE	Bldg	*General	Misc. Bene.	Overflow	Savings
July 1–6	25.00	3080.00	6.00		
July 7-13	150.00	722.00	181.00	10.00	130.00
July 14-20	277.00	890.00	30.00	10.00	65.00
July 21-27	80.00	1047.50	10.00	10.00	65.00
July 28-31	10.00	890.00	10.00	10.00	65.00
Totals	542.00	6629.50	237.00	40.00	325.00

# **ALPHA IS COMING! Everyone has questions**

We believe that everyone should have the chance to explore the Christian faith, ask questions and share their point of view; wherever they are in the world.



EVERYONE IS WELCOME! We're excited to offer Alpha at our church this fall. Watch for more information as the time gets closer for our kickoff...

### What is Alpha?

Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. Alpha is run all around the globe, and everyone's welcome. It runs in cafés, churches, universities, homes—you name it. No two Alphas look the same, but generally they have three key things in common: food, a talk and good conversation.

#### Food

Whether it's a group of friends gathered around a kitchen table, or a quick catch up over coffee and cake, food has a way of bringing people together. It's no different at Alpha. Most sessions start with food because it's a great way to build community and get to know each other.

#### **Talk**

The talks are designed to engage and inspire conversation. Usually around thirty minutes long and delivered over about eleven weeks, they can be given as a live talk or played as a video. They explore the big issues around faith and unpack the basics of Christianity, addressing questions from *Who is Jesus?* and *How can we have faith?* to *Why and how do I pray?* and *How does God guide us?* 

#### **Discussion**

Probably the most important part of any Alpha: the chance to share thoughts and ideas on the topic, and simply discuss it in a small group. There's no obligation to say anything and there's nothing you can't say (seriously). It's an opportunity to hear from others and contribute your own perspective in an honest, friendly and open environment.

# **Keeping Up with the Ministries:**

# **August Worship Assistants**

Serving at Grace	August 4 – Holy Comm.	August 11
Musician	Callie Schmidt Larry Gilbertson	Worship Team
Reader	Stacy Melbinger, Riley	Mackenzie Behling
Greeters	Jamie Gilbertson Melbinger family	Jeff and Marjean Weichelt
Offering Ushers	Jim and Carmen Good	Peckham Family
Acolytes	Taiya and Tessah Lang	Sam and Tyler Heiman
Treats	Dave/Stacey Schmitz Don/Nikki Lang	Sheri Meissner Holly Jankovitz
Nursery Church	Trisha Heggebo	Briana Post
Bulletin Folder	Laura Aschebrook	Heidi Post
Counters	Carmen Good Don Lang	Laura Aschebrook Josh Meissner
Sound Technician		
Prayer Team	Norm and Bobbie Saracoff	Stacey Schmitz Mike Lawyer
Deacon	Dan Behling	Laura Aschebrook



Serving at Grace	August 18 – Holy Comm.	August 25
Musician		Worship Team
Reader	Todd Cattanach	Dave Denowski
Greeters	Norm and Bobbie Saracoff	Roger/Dorothy Sanger
Offering Ushers	Jon Lovelace and Lauren Schara	Dave Denowski and Laura Aschebrook
Acolytes	Dawson Meissner Emma Staab	Gavin Peckham McKayla Johannson
Treats	Bobbie Saracoff Lisa and Jay Olson	Linda Gilbertson Carol Hahm
Nursery Church	Sheri Meissner	Breanna VanDeHey
Bulletin Folder	Don and Nikki Lang	Renata Hinrichs
Counters	Mary Harris Sheri Denowski	Stacy Melbinger Breanna VanDeHey
Sound Technician		
Prayer Team	Renata Hinrichs David Schmitz	Sheri Denowski Mike Lawyer
Deacon	Jon Lovelace	Jim and Carmen Good

Thank you to everyone volunteering to assist with worship this month!

If you see a blank space and wish to help, please sign up on the bulletin board in the gathering space.













# **Keeping Up with the News:**

### **August Mission of the Month**

Greetings brothers and sisters of Grace Lutheran Church!



Jean and I fondly recall our time at Grace Lutheran! As you know, we have felt called to ministry. This call has led to that of church planting in Farmington, MO. Our efforts are a part of the Presbyterian Church in America, Missouri Presbytery's Pioneer Church planting initiative to plant a church in every county seat in the presbytery. Yes Presbyterian. Presbyterian simply refers to our form of government. As a Christian Church we hold the Bible in its original languages to be the inspired word of God to be studied and applied to the lives of believers in accordance with 2 Timothy 3:16-17.

Allan finished Covenant Theological Seminary in Dec. 2015. Jean and I have been in Farmington since mid 2016. In that time Allan has been working as a hospice chaplain. We have also been working to raise awareness of a new, reformed ministry presence in town. This effort has been accomplished through building relationships at work, through a weekly homebased Bible study, and through a grief support ministry known as GriefShare®. Our ministry is unique in that we have been self-funded as tentmakers; provided from a portion of our monthly tithe to the Lord.

But in God's timing, change seemed inevitable and change has come. Allan's call has been changed from that as a hospice chaplain to that of Evangelist to Farmington, and our ministry in being designated a Mission Church in the MO Presbytery of the PCA. With the establishment of this Mission Church we have rented a space to serve as our church facility. God-willing, weekly corporate worship services are planned beginning May 5, 2019. Our new facility will allow a space for hosting future GriefShare® sessions, small group Bible studies, and other ministry activities.

But these changes have created a financial burden. As our ministry has grown, so too have our expenses. Our budget has outgrown the ability to be self funded. We are asking you to prayerfully consider partnering with our ministry by a one time or recurring financial gift. We would welcome the opportunity to discuss and answer any questions you may have about this new ministry. We also continue to ask for your prayers toward God's mission as we join the call to share the gospel and plant churches in rural Missouri.

Gifts may be made in the form of a check written to Grace Presbyterian Fellowship and mailed to 1459 Glenda Drive, Farmington MO 63640. Or visit our website at <a href="https://www.gracepresfellowship.org">www.gracepresfellowship.org</a> to make a one-time or recurring donation by credit card. Contributions of any size to Grace Presbyterian Fellowship are eligible for federal tax deduction. Contact us via email through <a href="mailto:gracepresfellowship@gmail.com">gracepresfellowship@gmail.com</a>, or call 573-212-7637 for more information. See also Facebook <a href="mailto:gracepresfellowship">@gracepresfellowship</a> or Allan's blog <a href="https://www.allanharmening.wordpress.com">www.allanharmening.wordpress.com</a>.

Thank you for partnering in God's call to share the love of Christ Jesus! Peace be with you all!

Rev. Allan and Jean Harmening Grace Presbyterian Fellowship

## **Keeping Up with the News:**

### **Cub scouts at Grace!**

We at Grace are chartering a new Cub Scouts pack! Although there are Cub Scouts in Marshfield, there was a need for a pack for the Nasonville area and we have agreed to partner with them at Grace to be the chartering organization. If you know of any children from kindergarten to fifth grade who might be interested, see Pastor Tim or Karla. Applications are available in our office for both scouts and adult leaders. Already we have two scouts. Let's get the word out and see the pack grow.

#### **Overflow Continues** to see results!

Thank you to the crew who helped spread mulch for the playground at Shirley's House of Hope and filled the sandbox with sand! We pray that the area will provide many hours of carefree fun for kids who live at Shirley's. Tammy called from Shirley's House of Hope. She wanted to thank us all again for everything. They are very grateful and she said the kids are loving it! So thanks to everyone for their





hard work and to those providing the funding!!! God bless all who helped.

### **Grace on-line**

Recently we have been able to upload sermons from our worship services at Grace. Just access our web page: www.gracemarshfield.org then click on "news/sermons" at the top of the page. Click the "sermons" box and choose from several messages. Be encouraged and challenged!

### **OVERFLOW Updates**

Let's plan to meet on July 30 in the GLC conference room from 7 PM-8PM.

We'll discuss how things are going with our projects - what is going well; what we should do differently. We'll also discuss the mission trip idea.

If you would like to be part of this team, just show up to a meeting or call Sheri Denowski 715-819-3321 or Mary Harris 715-676-3754 for more information.

### **Need Prayers?**

The Prayer Chain is ready to pray at a moments notice. Just contact Pastor with your prayer request and he'll pass it on to the prayer chain. Want prayer on a Sunday morning? The Prayer Team is available after worship, in Pastor's office. Just stop by and the team members will pray for you. Another way to submit prayer requests is to fill out a Prayer Request form and put it in the Prayer Request Box located in the gathering space. The Prayer Team will pray through all the requests, and Pastor will also pray through them.

#### reviveWISCONSIN :: Marshfield

Revive Wisconsin is an organization whose vision is to unite central Wisconsin for spiritual revival, renewal, and the spread of the gospel.

They will meet in Marshfield starting on Saturday August 17th from 2 pm to 5 pm. Location is 700 Peach Ave.

They offer training, encouragement, and fellowship for reaching out to our community with the Gospel.

Every believer is welcome to join!



#### **GLCCC UPDATE:**

Parent Appreciation Picnic for the child care center is Friday Aug 16th starting at 3:00 p.m. for the parents and families attending GLCCC.

Next Board meeting will be held Aug 13th at 5:00 pm

## **Keeping Up with the News:**

### **Man Camp**

Hello men! Man camp is coming at Camp Forest Springs. Those of you who attended last fall know how great this event is: lots of meat, great speakers, outdoor events for men, campfire, etc, etc. This weekend is built for men to be encouraged and have a great time together. We will be staying in a cabin together or two cabins depending on how many men we have registered. Event begins Friday, Sept. 20 and goes through lunch on Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>. The cost is \$151 which covers food, lodging, and all events.

For more information: https://forestsprings.us/events/specialty/man-camp

Each of you must register on-line at

https://mycircuitree.com/ForestSprings/Registration/EventSelection.aspx?Filter=EventID|435

Choose "standard cabin adult age 13 and older" > Enter attendee information

Choose "Grace Lutheran Church" under "men's groups" You will be asked to pay \$25 deposit.

If you have any questions call me and I can walk you through it. Hope you consider coming with us! Pastor Tim

### Rummage Sale Fundraiser on behalf of ABIDE Together

(an outreach ministry for Special Needs Adults, sponsored by North Ridge Church)

Bridging community members and offering support for the special needs community we are invited to participate by donating items and attending the sale:

**Donation drop off:** Wednesday, September 4 and Thursday, September 5 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Marshfield Mall (Old Tea Shop location – North side of Mall) We will be accepting gently used clothing, especially children's clothing, coats, household items, décor, books, small working appliances, knick knacks. We are unable to accept large appliances, electronic items such as computers, monitors, or TVs and mattresses.

Sale Dates: Friday, September 6 and Saturday, September 7 – 8 a.m.to 6 p.m. Marshfield Mall

**Contact:** Cindy Lee, 715-384-2588 or <a href="leecottage@charter.net">leecottage@charter.net</a> for donation pick up's or volunteer your help. Proceeds will help support Abide Together's Fall Dance, Winter Indoor Game Night, Spring Prom, among other events. For more information on Abide Special Needs Ministry, visit Face book page <a href="https://www.facebook.com/abidetogethernrc/">https://www.facebook.com/abidetogethernrc/</a>

### God's Love is **OVERFLOW**ing

This summer volunteers helped our community through our Overflow Outreach in the following:

- ✓ Cutting up trees in a yard for a GLC family member
- ✓ Cleaning roof gutters for a GLC family member
- ✓ Hauling and spreading mulch on the playground and filling the sandbox for Shirley's House of Hope (the local shelter for women suffering from domestic violence) so kids living there can feel God's blessings as they enjoy some carefree time playing outside. They are enjoying it!
- ✓ Giving rides to worship, so a GLC family member can join us again

There are some additional projects coming up:

- Helping a community member move from one apartment to another in Marshfield. Put August 31<sup>st</sup> on your calendar as a day to spend a couple of hours helping!
- o Helping GLC family members with some outside work and with cleaning items out of a garage Be sure to talk with someone from the Outreach Leadership Team if you want to be involved and watch for announcements about upcoming projects.

Leadership Team: Laura Aschebrook, Dave and Sheri Denowski, Mary Harris, Tim Hinrichs, Mike Lawyer, Josh Meissner, Norm and Bobbi Saracoff, Dave and Stacey Schmitz. *Thank you for sacrificing your time to help others!* 

Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers. Galatians 6:10

# **Keeping Up with the Pastor:**

As I write this monthly letter, I have to say that I'm still not adjusted back to Wisconsin time. We spent almost three weeks back in the "old country" – Poland. We journeyed back to where we used to serve as missionaries which was on the southern border of the country. I was invited to teach at the annual evangelism crusade during the first week of July. For 70 years, the Lutheran Church of Poland has held this conference every summer, in the village of Dziegielow. The week is filled with seminars, workshops, concerts, and the main evangelistic program every afternoon. They erect a huge tent holding over 1000 people. Many attend the morning teaching and late afternoon evangelistic program. What a blessing to be a part of "Evangelistic Week" this year! Thank you for your prayers for us as we were able to reach out to so many and encourage believers in their faith.

We spent the rest of our time staying with Renata's family and visiting friends. I brushed up on my Polish and learned how tasty their food is – definitely not low cholesterol. We were able to do some sightseeing in the northern coast city of Gdansk before heading back home.

Arriving back in Chicago, it was like walking into a blast furnace. What a shock! And then we all know about the intense storms that followed that hot humid weather. Although many lost power due to the storms, we can be thankful that no one was hurt and we had power for Sunday morning.

It's hard to believe that we only have a month left of the summer. But during this month of August we will finally be blanketing our area with **LETTERS ABOUT OUR CONGREGATION**. We have something special here that we want to share. I hope that if you see someone new at Grace on Sunday, you will welcome them and make them feel at home among us.

Also during August, we are preparing for **ALPHA**. Have you heard about it? I am very excited about launching Alpha which is an opportunity for couples (and singles) of all ages to have a date night once a week. We will provide childcare for a free meal followed by a short film and discussion. Every Wednesday night starting in September Alpha will help you connect with people and connect with God in a new way. Come and check it out! You won't regret it. Mike and Christine Lawyer are leading the Alpha team.

Please continue to keep our Council and BUILDING COMMITTEE IN YOUR PRAYERS as we still have a lot of work to be done in the basement. Things are far from resolved, but we must continue to remember that the building is not the church but WE as believers are the church. May God keep us focused on what is most important during these trials of our faith.

Enjoy the rest of the hot weather while it lasts. Don't forget to come back to Grace and worship together. We love Jesus and there is nothing better than telling Him how much he means to us.

Blessings, Pastor Tim