

Grace at a Glance

(July 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:

July 4:

4th of JULY!



July 7:

Worship with Holy Communion at 9:15 a.m.
(Pastor Jeff Tarras)

July 8:

GLCCC Board meeting at 4L30 p.m.
Women's Evening Bible study at 6:30 p.m.
Men's Fellowship Group at 6:30 p.m.
(Both groups meeting at Dave and Stacey Schmitz's home – 6991 Johnson Rd. Pittsville, WI)

July 9:

Women of Grace at 10:00 a.m.

July 14:

Worship at 9:15 a.m.
(Pastor Jeff Tarras)

July 18:

Council meeting at 6:30 p.m.

July 21:

Worship w/Holy Communion at 9:15 a.m.

July 22:

Women's Evening Bible study at 6:30 p.m.
Men's Fellowship Group at 7:00 p.m.

July 28:

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

(Church Office closed on Fridays)

Please pray for Pastor Tim and Renata as they depart June 28th on their mission trip to Poland! God give them safe travel to Central Europe and on their return July 19th. Pastor Tim will be speaking at an Evangelistic conference July 1-6.



Grace Lutheran Church and Child Care Center

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

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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:



Linda Gilbertson	7/1
Phyllis Weichelt	7/4
Stacy Melbinger	7/6
Roger Sanger	7/6
Bethany West	7/9
Quincy Shrader	7/10
Jessica Schier	7/12
Nikki Lang	7/14
Sheri Meissner	7/14
McKayla Johansson	7/15
Nicole Marek	7/19
Renata Hinrichs	7/20
Diane Meissner	7/22
Justin Post	7/28
Lisa Olson	7/29
Casey Aschebrook	7/30
Alexander Degenhardt	7/31

Grace Lutheran Prayer List:

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



Don and Nikki Lang	7-07-2001
Todd and Marie Cattnach	7-16-2005
Luke and Angela Schier	7-22-2017
Brad and Trisha Heggebo	7-26-2014



Keeping Up with the Financials:

Financial Snapshot of Grace (June 26, 2019)

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

YTD Budget (Income)	\$ 74,583.33	General Fund	\$ 1,678.69
YTD Contributions	\$ 59,256.64	Bills waiting	\$ 3,479.33
YTD Expenses	\$ 67,813.99	<i>plus June 30th payroll</i>	
Savings Total is now	\$ 36,103.44		



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

DATE	Bldg	*General	Misc. Bene.	Overflow	Savings	Youth
June 1-8	235.00	4616.00	316.00	10.00	100.00	56.00
June 9-15	30.00	863.00	10.00	10.00		
June 16-22	157.00	1305.85	160.00	10.00	65.00	
June 23-29	650.00	1123.00	20.00		195.00	
June 30		????				
Totals	1072.00	7907.85	506.00	30.00	360.00	56.00

Men's Camping Trip

On Father's Day weekend, 9 men from Grace braved the rainy forecasts and canoed into the Sylvania Wilderness in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Our Lord was certainly watching over us and listening to our prayers, as it stopped raining just before we got to the boat landing, and we ended up with sunny skies for the remainder of the weekend. We were blessed to spend time in God's creation, in an area that has not been changed by man. We camped for two nights, and spent a good part of Saturday on a canoe trip that included a couple of portages and lots of beautiful scenery. We did daily devotions, and Pastor led us in a wilderness worship on Sunday morning. We grew closer to each other and strengthened our faith in the process. The consensus from the group is that we want to make this an annual event, and we want more men from the congregation to participate!



ALPHA IS COMING!



What is Alpha? Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith, run over eleven weeks. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. Alpha is run all around the globe, and 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...

THANK YOU! for your recent donation to The Hannah Center.

Your monetary donation of \$735, along with diapers, clothing, household products, toys and your support is deeply appreciated. Thanks to your generosity, we will meet our mission to assist women in life crisis through compassion and guidance in a nurturing environment. Warmest regards, The Hannah Center.

Keeping Up with the Ministries:

July Worship Assistants

Serving at Grace	July 7- Communion Pastor Jeff Tarras	July 14 Pastor Jeff Tarras
Musician	Callie Schmidt	Callie Schmidt
Reader	Stacey Schmitz	
Greeters	Dave and Stacey Schmitz	Roger and Dorothy Sanger
Offering Ushers	Bobbi and Norm Saracoff	Roger and Dorothy Sanger
Acolytes	Sam Heiman Tyler Heiman	Emma Staab McKayla Johannson
Treats	Carol Hahm Dorothy Sanger	Todd and Marie Cattanaach
Nursery Church	Breanna VanDeHey	Trisha Heggebo
Bulletin Folder	Laura Aschebrook	Heidi Post
Counters	Carmen Good Don Lang	Laura Aschebrook Josh Meissner
Sound Technician	Justin VanDeHey	Mike Lawyer
Prayer Team	Bobbie and Norm Saracoff	Stacey Schmitz Mike Lawyer
Deacon	Jon Lovelace	Linda Gilbertson



Serving at Grace	July 21 - Communion	July 28
Musician	Callie Schmitz	Worship Team
Reader		
Greeters	Jake and Linda Bulgrin	James, Linda, Emily Gilbertson
Offering Ushers	Cindy and Mindy Dix	Lesley and Aubrianna Brown
Acolytes	Gavin Peckham Morgan Shrader	Mindy Dix Aleigha Hainz
Treats	Norm and Bobbie Saracoff	Randy and Trudy Schier
Nursery Church	Tiffany Halan	Stina Jansen
Bulletin Folder	Don and Nikki Lang	Renata Hinrichs
Counters	Mary Harris Sheri Denowski	Stacy Melbinger Breanna VanDeHey
Sound Technician		
Prayer Team	Renata Hinrichs Mike Lawyer	Sheri Denowski Renata Hinrichs
Deacon	Dan Behling	Don Lang

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:

July Mission of the Month

Our Mission of the Month for July is the Tyler and Amanda Pankratz family. Amanda works at Nasonville Dairy and is known by some of our church members. Tyler and Amanda had a house fire on Thursday April 18, 2019, on Maundy Thursday. Their family was not home at the time, but the family's dog Mali was in the house. Sadly Mali's injuries were too severe and she had to be put to sleep. The family lost everything to the fire. Tyler and Amanda are a young couple in their mid twenties with an eighteen month old son Sawyer and a second baby due in August. The family has been staying with Amanda's parents and hope to be back in their home in Rudolph, Wisconsin by winter. Please keep Amanda and Tyler in your prayers as they continue to recover from the fire. Galatians 6:2 tells us, "Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."



**Thank you all for the blanket and prayers our family have received after our house fire we experienced back in April. We greatly appreciate your donation and generosity.
The Pankratz Family**

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.

Cub Scouts

On July 21st Joyce Watson will be visiting at Grace to speak about the Cub Scout pack that we will be sponsoring here. Please come to hear what good things are happening.!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We rejoiced to have about 25 children attend our Vacation Bible School! The theme this year was "The Incredible Race." Each day the children explored a different continent of the world and learned how God's story travelled all over the world to every nation and every race. The kids loved to sing the new songs ("The Incredible Race!", "I just wanna be a sheep," "Lift him up"). They enjoyed Bible lessons with a special marionette. The crafts, snacks, and games were a lot of fun. The week ended with a program on Thursday evening for parents with a breaking of a pinata filled with candy. Praise God for a great week and for all our teachers and helpers!



Keeping Up with the Pastor:

Members of Grace,

It has been a very tumultuous month here at Grace Lutheran Church beginning on June 1st when a few of us showed up on that Saturday morning for “clean-up day” and discovered that the holding tank had backed up into the basement. It was by God’s grace that we were even there that morning to clean up and stop the flow. We had to have all our carpet and linoleum removed because of the damage and we are praying that the insurance will cover the full replacement costs. In addition, we are dealing with mold from earlier in the spring when the runoff ran through the walls.

Unrelated to these issues is our struggle with the Daycare which is barely making ends meet from pay period to pay period. Our board has been asking if we will even be able to keep it open this summer.

What can I say to these frustrating conditions?

First, GIVE THANKS. We can thank the Lord that these problems are not life and death. Yes, these things are discouraging, but we have our faith, we have our Savior and Lord, we have our fellowship. Our church is not our building but our church is PEOPLE! We should keep that in perspective.

Second, PRAY! If you haven’t prayed for our church, now is the time to do so. I don’t know why this is happening. I know that God is our provider and he promises to provide for his people. Maybe God is using this to turn to him in prayer and in greater faith. Times of trial have happened to believers throughout history. But we lift these problems to God: *“I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth. He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.”* (Ps. 121:1-3)

Third, HELP. At times like this, we don’t just sit on our hands and say: “it’s not my job” “let someone else deal with it” “I have other things to do” We as members of the congregation of Grace are the “body of Christ.” We are here to help each other out – especially in times of trial. *“For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.”* (Gal. 5:13)

“How can I help?” you might ask. Begin by simply praying as I mentioned above. You may also be able to physically help Jim Good and the rest of the Trustees in various ways (painting, cleaning, moving things, etc.). Just ask! Another way to help is words of encouragement to those who are struggling. A word of encouragement can mean so much! Help by giving of resources. Because of the sudden disasters we are encountering, our savings is depleting rather quickly. We will definitely need to rise up and support the work of our church financially in the weeks and months to come before everything can be completed as insurance certainly will not cover everything.

But overall, fear not! I am convinced that these struggles are a sign that great things are ahead of us here at Grace! Our enemy, the devil doesn’t want this ministry to succeed and bring blessing. But as we lean on our Lord, we will see incredible victory and fruit! All of that is just around the corner so let’s stick together and unite in our devotion to the glory of our Lord!

Pastor Tim

