

# Good News of Grace

# November 2026

*"Reaching out to all people as Disciples of Christ, we serve God, proclaim our faith and care for all creation."*

Grace Lutheran Church
303 Green Bay Road
Thiensville, WI 53092

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## November Highlights

***November 1, 9am ~ All Saints Sunday***

Join us as we gather to give thanks to God for the baptismal journeys of those who have gone before us.

***November 8, 22 at 10:15am ~ Growing in Grace***

Kids are invited to stay after worship for Christian education.

***November 14, 9am ~ Annual Craft Fair***

Saturday, November 14, 9am-2pm is Grace's second annual Winter Craft Fair! Crafts, Food, Wine Pull, Raffle, and a great opportunity to support the church! Flyers can be found on the welcome desk to post or share with friends. Don't forget to bring in your wine donations!

***November 22, 9am ~ El Salvador Sunday***

On November 22 we will be celebrating our ongoing relationship with Pastor Julio and our partner church, Mi Bien Jesus in Puerto Parada, El Salvador. At that time, we will be taking up a collection to support our college scholarship program for members of Pastor Julio's ministry.



## Grace's Welcome Statement

Grace Lutheran Church is a religious community that celebrates the gifts of God that empower us to engage in the struggles of life, to care for each other, and to serve Christ where we work and live. Grace is a "Reconciling in Christ" congregation, which means we welcome the participation of people of all ages, races, ethnic backgrounds, sexual orientations, gender identities, education backgrounds, and economic conditions – all who want to join us in serving God, proclaiming our faith, and caring for all creation. (est. 2011)

## Worship and Education

**Worship Schedule:**
**Sunday at 9am**
**Tuesday Devotional at 12:10pm**

**Education:**
**Bible Study on Thursday at 12pm**

## Grace Lutheran Staff

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**Music Coordinator: Brian Dearing**

**Nursery Attendant: Shonda Schaff**

**Education: Katy Koppa**

# News Items & Financial Updates

## Scholarships Available

Grace's Endowment Fund is pleased to offer scholarship opportunities to members who are pursuing a college, post-graduate, or technical school education. Typical scholarships awarded are between $500 and $1000 per year. Eligibility requirements are found in the scholarship application form. Application forms can be found on the communication desk. Completed applications should be turned into the church office before November 30.

## Attention Crafters!

The craft group meets every Monday from 10am - 2pm, breaking for lunch at 11:30 for an hour. This is a great opportunity to work on your latest project(s) while being inspired by other crafters. Please gather your projects, supplies and needed drop cloths and enjoy a day of creativity here at Grace Lutheran Church.

You may order a hot lunch through ADRC ~ Cafe 60 (suggested $5 donation). Reservation must be made by the prior Thursday at noon. Feel free to bring your own lunch. Any questions, or to make luncheon reservations, please contact Alice Laukert at 262-242-1546.



## Confirmation

On October 25, Reformation Sunday, we celebrated Belle Wendling's affirmation of baptism during worship. Blessings to Belle on her confirmation as she continues to grow in faith.



## Memorial Fund Activity for September

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|---|---|
| **Income:** | **$0** |
| **Expenditures:** | **$0** |
| **Balance:** | **$4,090** |
| (Designated: | $1,531) |
| (Available: | $2,559) |

## Renovation Debt Reduction Status

Below is the status of the renovation debt reduction as of **September 30, 2026**. Please note the Renovation Debt Reduction Fund balance is the amount collected for the renovation and is used to pay renovation expenses and loan payments as needed.

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|---|---|
| **Loan Balance**: | $405,475 |
| **Interest Paid**: | $65,185 |
| **Principal Paid**: | $47,891 |
| **Renovation/Debt Reduction Fund Balance**: | $80,605 |

## Monthly Financial Health Update

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|---|---|
| **September** Operating Income: | $18,326 |
| **September** Operating Expenses: | $18,909 |
| Year to Date Bottom Line: | -$13,641 |

**If you would like to see the Treasurer's monthly report, please contact the office.**

## Scam Alert Reminder

Church members are being targeted by scammers impersonating pastors via text or email, claiming to be in a meeting and urgently requesting gift cards for needy people. Always verify requests directly with the staff and never send gift cards, wire money, or click suspicious links. Having Pastor Bill in your contact list will help to identify if he is actually the sender.

# October Worship Leaders, Birthdays, and More

## November Worship Leaders

**11/1**
**Greeter:** TBD
**Reader:** JoAnn Holdmann
**Wine:** JoAnn Holdmann, DawnMark Bacon-Johnson
**Usher:** TBD
**Communion Setup:** Sheri Besag
**Coffee Fellowship:** Anna Martin

**11/8**
**Greeter:** TBD
**Reader:** Sherry Siebers
**Wine:** Pam Johnson, TBD
**Usher:** TBD
**Communion Setup:** JoAnn Holdmann
**Coffee Fellowship:** TBD

**11/15**
**Greeter:** TBD
**Reader:** Pam Johnson
**Wine:** TBD, TBD
**Usher:** TBD
**Comm. Setup:** TBD
**Coffee Fellowship:** TBD

**11/22**
**Greeter:** TBD
**Reader:** JoAnn Holdmann
**Wine:** Nancy Perez, TBD
**Usher:** TBD
**Communion Setup:** TBD
**Coffee Fellowship:** TBD

**11/29**
**Greeter:** TBD
**Reader:** Pam Johnson
**Wine:** Nancy Perez, TBD
**Usher:** TBD
**Communion Setup:** TBD
**Coffee Fellowship:** TBD

## Guest House Sandwiches

We assemble sandwiches for the guests at the Guest House *twice* each month, on the first and third Wednesdays, at **9am**. Join us for this opportunity to serve and enjoy fellowship on **November 4 and 18.**

## November Birthdays

| Name | Date |
|---|---|
| Gretchen Karthauser | 2 |
| Natalie Knuth | 2 |
| Hayley Kucharski | 4 |
| Jim Button | 7 |
| Luke Kamarainen | 9 |
| Denise Morris | 11 |
| John Stockbridge | 11 |
| Kevin Kihslinger | 14 |
| Sheri Besag | 17 |
| June Sibley | 17 |
| Madalynne Baum | 20 |
| Libby Biggin | 20 |
| Adam Hamm | 21 |
| Neal Karthauser | 22 |
| Antonio Baum | 23 |
| Trina Brown | 23 |
| Ahaana Dighe | 25 |
| Mark Wendling | 26 |
| Lila Thornton | 28 |
| Katy Koppa | 29 |
| Samantha Wolf | 29 |

*If you have a birthday this month and your name is not listed, we apologize. Please call the church office so that we update our records.*

*Thank you!*




## Family Promise Needs

The Ozaukee County shelter is in need of items listed below. If you would like to contribute, donations can be placed in the bin by the Luther room in the narthex.
*Current needs*: gas gift cards, full size mattress pads, toothpaste,13-gallon garbage bags, Lysol disinfectant spray, toilet bowl cleaner, paper towel, toilet paper.

## Mr. Bob's Under the Bridge

If you have any new or gently used coats, boots, or other cold weather clothing you would like to donate, please drop them off at the church in a box outside the Luther room.

## Food Pantry Update

Donations to the food pantry are appreciated more than ever as the need continues to increase. You can place food and hygiene items in the bins outside the Luther room.

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**Online Giving Option**
Open your phone's camera app and hold over the QR code

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## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

**Worship with Holy Communion:**
**Sundays at 9am**
**Tuesday Devotional at 12:10pm**

**Bible Study**
**Thursdays at 12pm**

*"At Grace, we strive to **G**uide and nurture all individuals to be **R**esilient, **A**ccepting **C**hildren of God rooted in the **E**nrichment of God's word."*

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# November 2026

Grace Lutheran Church

Nov 2026 (Central Time - Chicago)

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1<br>All Saints Sunday<br>8:15am - Men's Chorus<br>9am - Worship ~ Men's<br>10:15am - Chancel Choir<br>10:15am - Comm. Life<br>11:30am - Confirmation | 2<br>10am - Crafters Group<br>1:30pm - Violin Lessons | 3<br>12:10pm - Dev. Svc.<br>5:30pm - Scouts<br>7pm - Messiah Soloists | 4<br>9am - Guest House<br>3:30pm - Violin Lessons<br>6pm - W. A Capella Quart.<br>6:30pm - SBG Singers | 5<br>12pm - Bible Study<br>6:30pm - Women's Choir<br>7:30pm - Men's Chorus | 6 | 7 |
| 8<br>8:15am - Chancel Choir<br>9am - Worship ~ Chancel<br>10:15am - Chancel Choir<br>10:15am - Youth | 9<br>10am - Crafters Group<br>5:30pm - Scouts Meeting | 10<br>12:10pm - Dev. Svc.<br>5:30pm - Scouts<br>6:30pm - Council<br>7pm - Messiah Orchestra | 11<br>3:30pm - Violin Lessons<br>6:30pm - Bell Choir | 12<br>12pm - Bible Study | 13 | 14<br>9am - Craft Fair<br>9am - SBG Band Practice |
| 15<br>8:15am - SBG Warmup<br>9am - Worship ~ SBG<br>10:15am - Faith<br>10:15am - GG Team | 16<br>10am - Crafters Group<br>1:30pm - Violin Lessons | 17<br>12:10pm - Dev. Svc.<br>5:30pm - Scouts<br>7pm - Messiah Orchestra | 18<br>9am - Guest House<br>3:30pm - Violin Lessons<br>6pm - W. A Capella Quart.<br>6:30pm - SBG Singers | 19<br>12pm - Bible Study | 20 | 21<br>10am - Scouts in parking |
| 22<br>Christ the King ~ El<br>8am - Bell Choir Warmup<br>9am - Worship ~ Bell<br>10:15am - Blood Pressure<br>10:15am - Youth | 23<br>10am - Crafters Group<br>1:30pm - Violin Lessons<br>5:30pm - Scouts Meeting | 24<br>12:10pm - Dev. Svc.<br>5:30pm - Scouts | 25<br>3:30pm - Violin Lessons<br>6:30pm - Bell Choir | 26<br>12pm - Bible Study | 27 | 28<br>9am - SBG Band Practice |
| 29<br>Advent<br>8:15am - Chancel Choir<br>9am - Worship ~ Chancel | 30<br>10am - Crafters Group<br>1:30pm - Violin Lessons | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |