



Good News of Grace



October 2026

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

October Highlights

October 4, 11, 18, & 25, 10:15am ~

Faith Formation with Pastor Bill

Pastor Bill continues his Faith Formation series entitled "Understanding the Old Testament." See page 2 for details.

October 15, 1-6pm ~ Blood Drive

Mark your calendars for the October 15 blood drive in the Fellowship Hall. There are slots available from 1 - 6pm.

Call 877-232-4376 or use this link to reserve a spot:

<https://tinyurl.com/GLCBD25>



October 25, 10am-1pm ~ Vaccine & Blood Pressure Clinics

Stop by the Luther room if you would like to get your vaccines, or have your blood pressure taken. See page 2 for details.

October 25, 3-6pm ~ Trunk-or-Treat

Decorate your vehicle or dress up and join us for Trunk-or-Treat, Sunday October 25th from 3 - 6pm. Set up will begin at 2:30pm in the church parking lot.

Candy and hot drinks will be provided, though feel free to bring additional treats to pass out. And don't forget to stay afterward for pizza!



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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Education: Katy Koppa

News Items & Financial Updates

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.



Faith Formation with Pastor Bill

Pastor Bill continues his Faith Formation series entitled "Understanding the Old Testament."

The class begins after worship and after you've had a chance to get a coffee. The series will provide an introduction to the Old Testament that will help you to open that section of the scriptures and make some sense of it. Bibles will be provided, but having your own could be beneficial. Even if you miss a week, you will still benefit from joining the series. If you have any questions please check with Pastor Bill.



Vaccine & BP Clinics:

Our Faith Nursing Program team is hosting a vaccine clinic provided by Walgreen's outreach program. This clinic will run simultaneously with the blood pressure clinic on October 25, following worship until 1pm.

- This includes Flu, Covid, RSV (Respiratory Syncytial Virus), and pneumonia vaccine (usually once every 5 years)
 - These vaccines are administered by the pharmacist and/or a designated pharmacy technician from Walgreens
 - Walgreens offers vaccines at no cost to you with most insurance plans and Medicare Part B or D coverage (Bring your insurance cards)
- If you have any questions, please contact Scott Besag (414-520-8833).



Memorial Fund Activity for August

Income:	\$135
Expenditures:	\$74
Balance:	\$4,090
	(Designated: \$1,531)
	(Available: \$2,497)

Renovation Debt Reduction Status

Below is the status of the renovation debt reduction as of **August 31, 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.

Loan Balance:	\$406,507
Interest Paid:	\$63,872
Principal Paid:	\$46,858
Renovation/Debt Reduction Fund Balance:	\$82,670

Monthly Financial Health Update

August Operating Income:	\$12,624
August Operating Expenses:	\$20,927
Year to Date Bottom Line:	-\$13,057

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.

Craft Fair

The Winter Craft Fair will be Saturday, November 14 from 9am - 2pm. See bulletins and Grace Notes for more details.

October Worship Leaders, Birthdays, and More

October Worship Leaders

10/4

Greeter: TBD
Reader: Michelle Hogan
Wine: JoAnn Holdmann, Michelle Hogan
Usher: TBD
Communion Setup: JoAnn Holdmann
Coffee Fellowship: Oona Masterson,
 Liz Streubel

10/11

Greeter: TBD
Reader: JoAnn Holdmann
Wine: JoAnn Holdmann, Michelle Hogan
Usher: TBD
Communion Setup: Sheri Besag
Coffee Fellowship: TBD

10/18

Greeter: TBD
Reader: Skip Blick
Wine: Nancy Perez, DawnMark Bacon-Johnson
Usher: TBD
Communion Setup: JoAnn Holdmann
Coffee Fellowship: TBD

10/25

Greeter: TBD
Reader: Pam Johnson
Wine: Skip Blick, Dan Driewer
Usher: TBD
Communion Setup: JoAnn Holdmann
Coffee Fellowship: TBD

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.



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 **October 7 and 21**.



October Birthdays

Name	Date
Robert Lohr	2
Holly Grassin-Kremmel	3
David Rauth	3
Pam Stockbridge	3
Denise Christofferson	9
Corrine Mattson	9
Quinn Buczynski	11
Florence Panning	11
Shonda Schaff	11
Greg Gleisner	13
Bryce Umhoefer	13
Todd Zeller	13
Thomas Awe	16
Carol Raymond	17
Chris Larsen	18
Jamie Awe	19
Colleen Lohr	20
Tucker Kucharski	22
Brian Karthaus	25
Jeff Wolf	26
Jaci Robar	27
Mary Karthaus	30
Matt Bartz	31
Caiden Maciejewski	31

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.

Synod RIC Pride Worship

The Milwaukee Synod RIC Ministry Team's "Celebrating Our Diversity as God's Children" 2026 Pride worship service will be at **6pm on Thursday, October 8th**, at Ascension Lutheran Church in Milwaukee. If anyone is interested in singing in the Pride worship service choir, or providing snacks for the fellowship time following the service, please email Chuck Ellingson at chuckgmsric@gmail.com.

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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 Guide and nurture all
individuals to be Resilient, Accepting Children of
God rooted in the Enrichment of God's word."*



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Oct 2026 (Central Time - Chicago)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	1 12pm - Bible Study	2	3 9am - SBG Band Practice
4 8:15am - Chancel Choir 9am - Worship ~ Chancel 10:15am - Chancel Choir 10:15am - Comm. Life 10:15am - FF with Pr. Bill	5 10am - Crafters Group 1:30pm - Violin Lessons	6 12:10pm - Dev. Svc. 5:30pm - Scouts 6:30pm - Women's Choir 7:30pm - Men's Chorus	7 9am - Guest House 3:30pm - Violin Lessons 6pm - W. A. Capella Quart. 6:30pm - SBG Singers	8 12pm - Bible Study	9 3:30pm - Homestead	10
11 8:15am - Chancel Choir 9am - Worship ~ Baptism, 10:15am - Chancel Choir 10:15am - FF with Pr. Bill 10:15am - Youth	12 10am - Crafters Group 1:30pm - Violin Lessons 5:30pm - Scouts Meeting 7pm - Endowment	13 12:10pm - Dev. Svc. 5:30pm - Scouts 6:30pm - Council	14 3:30pm - Violin Lessons 6:30pm - Bell Choir	15 12pm - Bible Study 1pm - Blood Drive	16 9am - SBG Band Practice	17
18 8:15am - SBG Warm's Up 9am - Worship SBG Leads 10:15am - FF with Pr. Bill 10:15am - GG Team 10:15am - WAM Team	19 10am - Crafters Group 1:30pm - Violin Lessons	20 12:10pm - Dev. Svc. 5:30pm - Scouts	21 9am - Guest House 3:30pm - Violin Lessons 6:30pm - SBG Singers	22 12pm - Bible Study	23	24
25 Reformation Sunday 8am - Bells, Chancel, 9am - Worship Chan, 10am - Vaccine Clinic 10:15am - Blood Pressure 10:15am - FF with Pr. Bill 10:15am - Youth 3pm - Trunk-or-Treat	26 10am - Crafters Group 1:30pm - Violin Lessons 5:30pm - Scouts Meeting	27 12:10pm - Dev. Svc. 5:30pm - Scouts	28 3:30pm - Violin Lessons 6:30pm - Bell Choir	29 12pm - Bible Study	30 9am - SBG Band Practice	31