



# THE GOOD NEWS OF GRACE

November 2022

A Newsletter for Members and Friends of  
Grace Lutheran Church  
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*“Give, and it will be given to you.” From Luke 6:38*

## Bubbling Over

People of Grace;

I received a phone call the other night from a leader of the Friends of Ukrainian Refugees. A situation had arisen where a family with many kids had found a home to rent, but they could not come up with all the money needed in deposits. These leaders had been sharing this information with a supporter from the community. The amount needed was something like \$4,500. This supporter, with very little hesitation, said “I would like to take care of that,” and provided for the deposits right there, on the spot. The adult male from this Ukrainian family has a source of income as a construction worker, but the deposits made getting into that rental out of reach. This was a blessing that felt beyond measure. The people sharing this news with me were bubbling over with amazement and gratitude. They just had to tell someone, and I was blessed to receive the news.

Gifts like that are, shall we say, “eye-popping”. Some are able to make such a contribution, and some are not. When you are deciding what to give for the well being of the neighbor, you might feel hesitant if your gift cannot match what you hear or think others are giving. Guilt and shame sneak into our self assessment and we may choose the path of doing nothing even though we feel prompted to give. Comparisons can be insidious.

Our youth director Beth shared there were 25 people at a recent Wenatchee Youth Community gathering. Although it had been a long day of ministry and she was a “good” kind of tired, she was bubbling over.

October 12, I shared about my recent sabbatical with 70 people. I was so amazed at that number, and was bubbling over.

This is a month where we pay attention to the practice of gratitude. In what ways could your gratitude bubble over? Is there something you can do for the well being of a neighbor? Have you ever witnessed someone bubbling over with gratitude for you? Or for some way you have helped? Dwell in those memories for a while.

Pastor James Aalgaard

### THE MISSION OF GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH



To proclaim and celebrate the gospel of Jesus Christ through word and sacraments so that a community of believers is created, trained, nurtured, and sent into mission.

# Sunday Funday

Join us on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 12:15 - lunch is provided. The primary age focus for Sunday Funday is pre-K to 5th grade, but it's also a great multigenerational opportunity.

**Sunday, November 13, at 12:15 p.m.**

**Theme:** Give Thanks

**Meal-** Austin's special Tuna Salad sandwiches as well as a peanut butter bar!

If you would like to bring canned goods for the pantry to give thanks, they will be graciously accepted.

**Sunday, December 11, at 12:15 p.m.**

**Theme:** Merry Christmas

**Meal –** TBA

Let's do a kid's gift exchange. Gift limit is \$5 and should be unisex. Any questions please contact [Beth](#).



## 6th - 12th Grade Youth

**Progressive Dinner**

**Sunday, December 18, at 5:00 p.m.**

Please join me for a yummy progressive dinner. We will meet at GLC at 5pm and travel through the neighborhoods to fill up on food. The gift exchange will happen during dessert. \$10 maximum on the gift... be creative!

Please RSVP by 12/01

**NOTE:** I am looking for host homes for our meal stops. If you are interested, please contact [Beth](#).



## Alumni White Elephant Christmas Party

**Tuesday, December 27, 6 p.m.**

Calling all GLC Alumni! Please join me for one more white elephant party. If you are looking for gift ideas, come to my office, I have all kinds of "quality" stuff. Our location is in flex as I don't know how many of you are coming. Let me know!



# November Worship Assistants

	Greeters	Ushers	Lector	Altar Guild	Tech	Communion Assistant
11/6			John Applegate	Rose Applegate		
11/13			Riva Morgan			Riva Morgan
11/20			Jim Caulkins			Gary Otheim
11/27			Joyce Owens			

## Attention All!

Don't know your APIs (Application Programming Interface) from your CDNs (Content Distribution Network)?

Don't know minification from GZip or know how TCP refines IP?

Not to worry! You don't need to!

Our Streaming for Worship Services Team is looking for more members.

Previous streaming experience is not required.

If you have ever asked yourself, how can I contribute more to our church community, this might be for you!

Contact Marlena after worship or at 509-884-5708.

## Seeking Worship Helpers

Volunteer helpers make our worship run smoothly. We would love to expand our volunteer pool. [Here is a link to a "google sheet"](#) where you can put your name on an open slot. If you are having a hard time navigating the google sheet, please call (509-663-2189) or email our [church office](#) or [Pastor Aalgaard](#) and we can help.

Here are some of the ways you can step in to help: **Usher**, **Lector** (reading scripture), **tech** (streaming), **altar guild** (preparing communion) and **communion assistant**.

Please note! The google sheet is a single document that can be changed (and added to) by anyone who has the link. You are very welcome to add your name to a slot that's empty, but please do not remove others' names or otherwise change the form.

## LECTIONARY READINGS

**November 6**  
**All Saints Sunday**

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18  
Psalm 149  
Ephesians 1:11-23  
Luke 6:20-31

**November 13**  
**23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Malachi 4:1-2a  
Psalm 98  
2 Thess. 3:6-13  
Luke 21:5-19

**November 20**  
**Christ the King**

Jeremiah 23:1-6  
Psalm 46  
Colossians 1:11-20  
Luke 23:33-43

**November 27**  
**First Sunday of Advent**

Isaiah 2:1-5  
Psalm 122  
Romans 13:11-14  
Matthew 24:36-44

JOIN US FOR A POTLUCK LUNCH  
HONORING

# BETH & RICH SMALLBECK

Save the date!

**December 4 | 12 pm**

Grace Lutheran Church, Wenatchee

PLEASE BRING A DISH TO SHARE  
DRINKS & DESSERT WILL BE PROVIDED

## PRAYERS OF GRACE

***Roger Cook*** - for healing

***The family of Dale Olson*** (Hollie Olson's father-in-law) - for peace and comfort. Dale passed away on October 18.

***For both Linda and Bill Sinnett*** - that upcoming medical tests result in proper diagnoses and treatments.

*To submit a prayer, please call (509-663-2189) or email our church office Pastor Aalgaard. Please share with us details that are pertinent to the request. If you are asking us to pray for a person other than yourself, please seek that person's permission. Prayer requests are published for four weeks. You are welcome to resubmit your request if you would like it to remain on the list longer. Updates are welcome, also. We will do our best to help your request have a balance of privacy protection and sharing information. The ministry staff at Grace reserves the right to edit requests.*

## Morning Prayer

Thursday mornings, at 7:00, you are invited to join us in the sanctuary. Our morning prayer will typically involve reading of scripture, then a time of prayer, then finish with the Lord's Prayer.



# TRUNK OR TREAT

Sunday, October 30 | 4-5:30 pm

1st United Methodist Church | 941 Washington St

*Hosted by Grace Lutheran, First UMC*

*New Song, Wenatchee Brethren Baptist,  
and St. Luke's Episcopal*



## Together at Grace

Please join us on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month for our community meal!

- November 9, 6:00 pm - Meal hosted by Sara and Dean O'Daffer
- December 14, 6:00 pm - Meal hosted by Joyce Owens and the Gregg Family



### \*\*\*CARING MEALS\*\*\*

A group is now organized to assist with meals for individuals, couples, or families in our Grace congregation. If you are aware of a need due to illness, injury, surgery, etc. please notify [Linda Sinnett](#) 509-699-8256

## ANNA & MIRIAM CIRCLES

**Anna Circle** will meet on Wednesday, November 9, at 10:00 a.m. in the multi-purpose room at Grace. If you have questions, feel free to call Linda Sinnett at 509-699-8256 or Faye DeJong at 509-663-4590.

**Miriam Circle** will meet on Tuesday, November 15, at 7:00 p.m. Meeting location TBA.



Prayer Shawl ministry will not meet during November and December. Regular meetings will resume in January.

**If you know someone who could use a prayer shawl,** please reach out to pastor James, the office, or Ruth Westby (509-679-9859)

## Flower Chart

Please note that we have a flower chart in the narthex. If you wish to share a flower arrangement for Sunday worship, please sign up. You can specify the chosen date is a memorial, anniversary, birthday, etc. if you wish. Thank you for participating with your flower offering.



# SOCIAL CONCERNS TEAM

## Little Free Pantry

Current needs of The Little Free Pantry are hygiene products, cleaning supplies, cereal, canned fruits, and vegetables. The Little Free Pantry is always looking for volunteers and if you are interested, please contact [Pat Fitzgerald](#).

The Social Concerns Team would like to send a special Thank You to all our volunteers! Without our volunteers we would not have a pantry.



## Make A Difference Day – Saturday, October 23rd, 2022

Make A Difference Day was, Saturday, October 23rd, 2022. The Social Concerns Team did a couple of projects this year.



1. **Cold Weather Drive at Pybus Public Market** – The team collected new and used hats and gloves for the students of the Eastmont and Wenatchee School Districts, and the homeless in the Wenatchee Valley.
2. **Repackaging coats after Make A Difference Day and distributing the coats to area Schools.** The SCT, congregation members of Grace, and the Wenatchee and Eastmont High School girls swim teams worked with Serve Wenatchee Valley collecting school age children's coats, sorted the coats according to age and sex, then packaged the coats according to a list that was submitted by each school. Over 1,000 coats were distributed to area schools in the Eastmont and Wenatchee School districts.

## WHS Students Experiencing Homelessness Christmas Gift Cards:

The Social Concerns Team is collecting gift cards for the Students of Wenatchee High School experiencing homelessness. You can help by doing one of the following!

1. There are tags on the Christmas tree in the foyer from which you can select. Each tag lists a place of business and a dollar amount of the gift card to be purchased. Bring back your purchased gift card and gift card receipt to the church. Place the gift cards along the gift receipt in the box labeled "WHS Homeless Gift Cards".
2. You can write a check to Grace Lutheran Church for the amount you would like to donate. In the memo line be sure to write WHS Homeless Students Gift Cards.

Our goal is to provide 40 to 50 students with a Christmas package containing a WHS T-shirt and a variety of useful gift cards so they may have a very Merry Christmas.

Thank you for spreading the joy! Questions? Please contact [Kay Fisher](#) or [Robin Brown](#).

## Packing Friendship

Packing Friendship is a weekend backpack program that provides food for students who are at risk of going hungry over the weekends. Grace Lutheran will provide food bags for students at Washington Elementary School and Foothills Middle School. Our program is completely run by volunteers, and we could always use an extra helping hand! Volunteer opportunities include:

- Packing bags - Tuesday mornings at 10
- Delivering bags - Thursdays during the day
- Shopping for food - as needed

If you would like to learn more about how you can be a part of Packing Friendship, please contact [Jen Gale](#).

# NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Ross Gavin	11/1	Daniel Hutchison	11/12	Andrew Fischer	11/22
Sheri Rookard	11/1	Nancy Boersma	11/13	Kai Mueller	11/22
Martha Ann Hames	11/3	Jordan Gilman	11/15	Rich Smallbeck	11/22
Rick Schiefelbein	11/3	Rich Williams	11/15	Angela Gott	11/23
Paul Arndt	11/4	Judy Olson	11/16	Alaina Morgan	11/23
Jameson Varpness	11/4	Erik DuLac	11/17	Diane Senn	11/24
Dave DeJong	11/5	RaNita Gebers	11/17	Sue Marshall	11/25
Bradyn Rookard	11/6	Renee Morgan	11/17	Susan Coe	11/27
Raymond Gott	11/7	Nate Smallbeck	11/17	Kent Heminger	11/27
Linda Luke	11/7	Kristen Boyer	11/18	LaVerne Amend	11/28
Angie Redmon	11/8	Earl Tilly	11/19	Allison Fischer	11/28
Glenn Liner	11/9	Marty Levine	11/21	Ina O'Connor	11/29
Steve Johnson	11/11	Tory Schmidt	11/21	Grace Miller-Tran	11/30
Casey Vogt	11/11	Bob Sparks	11/21	Evan Mueller	11/30
Jane Dunbar	11/12	Jennifer Collins	11/22		

## 2022 TEAM & COMMITTEE LEADERS

<b>Arts:</b>	Phil Gregg
<b>Building &amp; Grounds:</b>	<i>Open</i>
<b>Endowment:</b>	Karen Zanol
<b>Faith Enrichment:</b>	<i>Open</i>
<b>Fellowship:</b>	Shirley Leslie Jan Romey
<b>Intern:</b>	
<b>Pastoral Support:</b>	Julie Banken
<b>Staff Support:</b>	Ernie Bentsen
<b>Social Concerns:</b>	Kay Fisher
<b>Worship:</b>	Kathy Gavin
<b>Youth:</b>	Cheryl Salter
<b>Memorial Garden:</b>	Jane Dunbar

## 2022 CHURCH COUNCIL

<b>President:</b>	Chad DuLac
<b>Vice President:</b>	Dave Coe
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Gwen Sparks
<b>Secretary:</b>	Suellen Harris
<b>Members-at-Large:</b>	Riva Morgan John McQuaig Trina DeCamp Sara O'Daffer



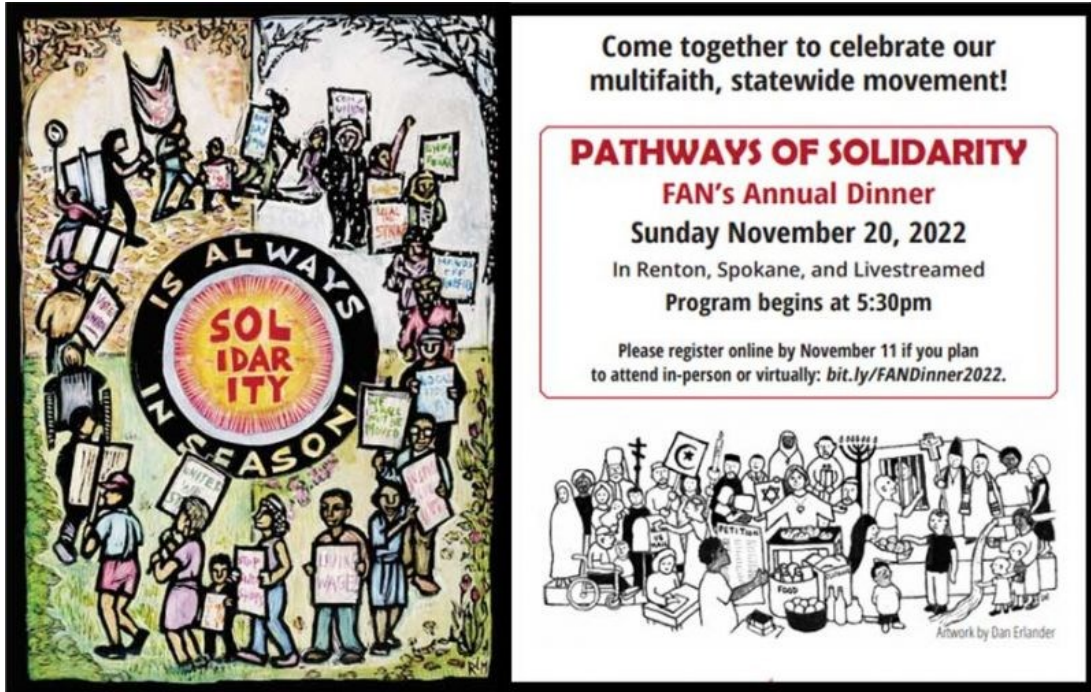
# November 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Sunday, November 6</b> <b>Daylight Savings Times Ends</b> 		<b>1</b> <b>1:00 p.m.</b> Staff Meeting <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Social Concerns Team <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Apollo Club	<b>2</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Lectionary Study <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Voices of Grace	<b>3</b> <b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Prayer <b>1:00 p.m.</b> Befrienders	<b>4</b> <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Bingo <div>Confirmation Retreat</div>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b> Adult Faith Formation <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Worship <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Jr./Sr. High Youth	<b>7</b> <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Appleaires	<b>8</b> <b>1:00 p.m.</b> Staff Meeting <b>6:00 p.m.</b> Youth Team <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Suicide Loss Support Group <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Apollo Club	<b>9</b> <b>10:00 a.m.</b> Anna Circle <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Lectionary Study <b>6:00 p.m.</b> Together at Grace (TAG) <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Voices of Grace	<b>10</b> <b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Prayer	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b> Adult Faith Formation <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Worship <b>12:15 p.m.</b> Sunday Funday <b>6:00 p.m.</b> Jr./Sr. High Youth @ YWCA	<b>14</b> <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Appleaires <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Recital	<b>15</b> <b>1:00 p.m.</b> Staff Meeting <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Miriam Circle <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Apollo Club	<b>16</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Lectionary Study <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Voices of Grace	<b>17</b> <b>7:00 a.m.</b> Morning Prayer	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b> Adult Faith Formation <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Worship <b>6:30 p.m.</b> Jr./Sr. High Youth	<b>21</b> <b>Newsletter Deadline</b> <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Compassionate Friends <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Appleaires	<b>22</b> <b>1:00 p.m.</b> Staff Meeting <b>5:00 p.m.</b> Church Council <b>6:00 p.m.</b> Recital <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Apollo Club	<b>23</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Lectionary Study <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Voices of Grace	<b>24</b> <b>Happy Thanksgiving!</b> <b>Offices Closed</b>	<b>25</b> <b>Offices Closed</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> <b>10:30 a.m.</b> Worship	<b>28</b> <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Appleaires	<b>29</b> <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Apollo Club	<b>30</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Lectionary Study <b>7:30 p.m.</b> Voices of Grace			

# SAVE THE DATE

## FAN ANNUAL DINNER

### SUNDAY EVENING | NOVEMBER 20



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#### SUNDAY WORSHIP

**10:30 a.m.**

#### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

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