



- ✚ Sharing God's Grace
- ✚ Living His Word
- ✚ Making Disciples

Sunday School – 9:10 am
Sunday Divine Worship – 10:30 am
Monday Divine Worship – 7:00pm

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For the Week Beginning May 20, 2018

Communion: We celebrate Holy Communion today. Please read carefully the statement concerning Holy Communion provided in the worship folder. In faithfulness to God's Word we practice close communion. It is our privilege and responsibility to prepare for this sacred meal. You are encouraged to use pages 329-330 in Lutheran Service Book to aid in your preparation for this sacred meal.

We Welcome our 2018 Confirmands: Madeleine Olivia Hartman, Tyler William Nicholas, Brendan Mark Pelletier and Brandon Jon Pokky. We pray the Lord will continue to bless their baptismal journey.

Need A Prayer: for yourself or someone else? In the entryway our Stephen Ministers are available and easy to spot. Just look for their blue nametag. Remember the power of prayer!

Planned Parenthood Petitions: Last Sunday, Mina Fitting, our Life Advocate, explained about Grace joining with other churches and pro-life supporters in Midland to try and discourage Planned Parenthood from coming back to Midland by asking our elected local officials to deny them access to our public schools (through their version of sex education) and denying access to our local tax dollars for any medical services they provide here. It was a Mother's Day rush but we collected 64 signatures. If you didn't get a chance to sign last week and want to take this opportunity to defend life, Mina has a table set up in the Entryway again today. Further information and brochures are available at the table.

Emoji Preteen Event: Celebrating our 6th graders is **TODAY** from 2-4pm at church. Preteens are 10 to 12 years old. Friends are Welcome!

Monday Service: Tomorrow at 7pm. Who are you inviting?

Graceful Seniors meet Tuesday at 10:00am in the Community Room as we continue our study of *Mark*. Chapter 2 this week.

Join Our ECP for Spring Praise Chapel: this Wednesday or Thursday at 10:00am in the sanctuary. Everyone is welcome!

Grace Lutheran Has A Mission Heart: Several of you have been on mission trips. There are even more who haven't but, would if you could. YOU have a place for Team Treasure 3! Please continue to pray for them as they prepare. Pray for the children and adults who will be hearing the message of "the riches of God's Grace-JESUS" through the VBS and Health Fair. You may also help financially support this mission. **We need @ \$2,000.** If you would like to make a contribution, please send it to the church office, memo: Peru mission trip or contact Jane Pase. Thank you for helping sow the seeds of the Word of God.

What Is Your Mission Passion? There are many of you that serve in areas "beyond the walls" of Grace. We want to know what missions you like. Or there may be a ministry you have an interest in finding out more about. Look for the "BEYOND the WALLS" board. Write all the ways you serve outside of our church sponsored missions or service projects. You may see something new and interesting. Or you may find someone who shares your mission passion. Thanks for your input. The Mission Board.

ECP Executive Director Hiring Committee Per the April 22nd Voters' Assembly approval, a committee was established to consist of (2) ECP Board Members, (2) PPC Members, (2) ECP Teachers, (2) ECP Parents.

The following have been asked and have consented to be on this committee:

- Cheryl Werner, ECP, Chair
- Pete Lufholm, ECP
- Larissa Keller, PPC
- Tiffani Hamilton, PPC
- Jane Pase, teacher
- Micah Gray, teacher
- Samantha Mendez, parent
- Sharla Gray, parent
- Pastor Allman, Advisor

Message from Pastor Allman: Our closing date for our new house is tentatively scheduled for June 29th. Be on the lookout in GIA for more information about our moving day. Thank you.

Happy Campers: We will be having a blessing for all Happy Campers on Sunday, June 3rd during the Divine Service. Please be in attendance. Thank you.

Family Promise Guests Arrive You've seen the board up in the Entry Way and it's already starting to fill up. Our guests arrive on Sunday, June 3rd. Let's fill the board now.

Blood Drive is Coming! It's June 6th from 4:15 – 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up on the **PINK SHEET** or call Victoria and set your time to give the "gift of life."

Check Out The Total! Our Organ Improvement project is moving along now. This week alone gifts were received that put us over the \$100,000 mark, past the 50% mark. Now with gifts and pledges we are over **\$134k** for this much needed project. All the details are in your newsletter. Pledge forms are to be turned into the church office or given directly to Pastor Pase. Your prayers are greatly appreciated.

Endowment Committee News: This is a reminder that college scholarship financial aid is available to members of Grace who are attending or planning to attend an accredited four-year institution. The aid is \$1,000 per year. Complete details will be in your newsletter. Stay tuned!

Stephen Ministry: Stephen Ministers bring distinctively Christian care to those in need. They use both words and deeds to express Christ's care for others--listening and comforting, calling on the training they have received and employing the tools of faith.

Extreme Makeover...in HIS Image: Acts 2:1 – “When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place.” Pentecost was the Old Testament harvest festival: a time of thanksgiving, bounty, and the giving of gifts. How appropriate that in the New Testament it takes on the meaning of a new harvest: the ripe fields of the nations, bringing in the elect of every tribe and tongue to sing the Lord’s praise. Every farmer knows that it is God who gives the increase and that the harvest calls for thanksgiving.

Life Quote: “We celebrate when a mother has second thoughts concerning abortion and keeps her baby. We sing ‘Alleluia’ when an orphaned child once abandoned is adopted and lives in a home filled with the presence of Christ’s love reflected through a mother and father.” *Chaplain (Lt. Colonel) Steven Hokana, Assistant Director of Ministry to the Armed Forces (MAF) (LCMS) – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

The Lutheran Hour: "Functional Atheist No More!"
 Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer. Christians like to think of themselves as following the first disciples. That's uncomfortably true. The first disciples had trouble believing the promises of Jesus for their daily lives. Too often we do too. On Pentecost the Spirit of the risen Lord Jesus gave the first disciples faith like they had never had before. Today the same Spirit is ready to do the same for us. (Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27) The Lutheran Hour airs at 7:30am on KWEL AM 1070 & 107.1 FM.

Family Shield Ministries: “TBA” Aairs at 8:00am on KWEL AM 1070 & 107.1 FM.

Last Week at Grace

Sunday Divine Service (05/13).....	155
Sunday School Attendance (05/13).....	72
Monday Divine Service (05/14).....	8
First Fruit Giving (05/07, 05/10 & 05/13)	\$9,278.00

Sunday Morning Sunday School/Faith Formation

Coffee, juice, & donuts are served at 9:00

Adult	Fellowship Hall
<i>Isaiah</i>	<i>Pastor Pase</i>
Adult	Community Room
<i>Growing in Christ</i>	<i>Pastor Allman</i>
Adult	Parlor
<i>Sunday Lessons</i>	<i>Pete Lufholm</i>
Grades 7-8	Youth Room
.....	<i>Ryan & Tiffani Hamilton</i>
Grades 9-12	Youth Room
.....	<i>Chad & Lisa Dalager</i>
Adventure Zones in Bibleville	Bibleville
.....	<i>Ages 3 years – 6th Grade</i>
Little Lambs (Ages 0-2)	Room 12
.....	<i>Kelly Patterson & Larissa Keller</i>

Graceful Living This Week

This Sunday	Confirmation Sunday	05.20.18
7:30	<i>The Lutheran Hour</i>	KWEL AM
.....	1070 & 107.1 FM	
8:00	<i>Family Shield</i>	KWEL AM
.....	AM 1070 & 107.1 FM	
9:10	Sunday School	
10:30	Divine Service w/Communion	
2:00	Preteen Event	
2:30	Legacy Ranch	

Monday
 7:00Communion

Tuesday
 10:00Graceful Seniors

Wednesday
 6:45 Men of Grace
 10:00ECP Spring Praise

Thursday
 9:30Quilters
 10:00ECP Spring Praise
 7:00Board of Stewardship

Next Sunday **05.27.18**
 7:30*The Lutheran Hour* KWEL AM
 1070 & 107.1 FM
 8:00 *Family Shield* KWEL AM
 AM 1070 & 107.1 FM
 9:10 Sunday School
 10:30Divine Service
 2:30Legacy Ranch

Our ECP continues to *Shine* this week.
 You are invited to read
 Acts 7:26-40
 with us this week.

