



- ✝ 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

Grace in Action

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For the Week Beginning July 2, 2017

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.

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!

LifeDate: The Summer 2017 edition is now available. We are proudly pro-life, so pick up your copy at our resource center.

Portals of Prayer: The latest edition is now available on the Usher's stand in the back of the sanctuary. Take one for yourself and one or more to give as a witness to your Lord.

Ordination/Installation of Pastor Allman: Is *TODAY* at 4:00 followed by a light meal in the Fellowship Hall. Plan to join in this festive, long-awaited celebration!

Name Badges: In an effort to welcome and help Pastor and Alyson Allman and our other new Grace members get to know us, let's start wearing our name badges again. They are still located in the south hallway. If you can't find yours contact Victoria and she will make one for you.

Splash! Splash! Summer Splash Bash: It has been HOT, HOT, HOT this summer so come and cool off Wednesday evening, July 12th at Doug Russell Aquatic Park on Midland Drive. We have reserved it for Grace members and guests from 7pm – 9pm. Don't swim? – Come enjoy fellowship and snacks. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Each family may bring 4 extra guests. There is a guest limit at the pool, so please sign up (even if you don't plan to swim) at the Splash Bash Board located in the entry way. Questions? Call or text Cindy Hilton at 432-638-7159.

Nursery has Relocated and is operable beginning today. It is the former office of our administrative assistant.

VBS Registration: Classes are filling up FAST, so don't wait. Use the online registration link on our GLC website www.gracelutheranmidland.com or complete the form in the church's entryway. Dates: July 24th – 28th from 9am – 12 noon. Ages 3 years (potty- trained) thru entering 5th grade. Questions? Contact Amy Copeland or Tiffani Hamilton.

Donation Station? Donation Castle? Castle walls, flags and knights are just a few things you might notice around Grace the next few weeks! We are in the midst of planning an exciting *Mighty Fortress* Vacation Bible School. It will be a great time for kids to grow in faith as they explore God's Word!

2017 Youth Mission Thank you Grace for your prayers and support of the Youth Mission Trip to the Bonton Farm! We witnessed first-hand Genesis 22:14 and Matthew 9:37. Grace Youth said their eyes were opened to the work God is doing at, through, and for the community and those working at Bonton Farm. Working the farm or feeding people at the soup kitchen is great, but the only way to truly end poverty is to restore hope – which is found in Jesus. See, the Farm was never really the mission: it's the people!

Thank You For Your Prayers for myself and the MMT to Mdwai, Tanzania. Over five days 1106 people received both physical and spiritual care. The team was blessedly exhausted. *Check out the newsletter in the entryway for the highlight of my week.* Asante sana! Pastor Pase.

Pastor Allman's Email: He can be reached via email at pastorallman@sbcglobal.net.

Endowment Funds: Grace members are reminded of available Scholarship financial support from certain endowment funds. Please see our newsletter for complete details.

Daily Devotions Available: written by Pastor Pase and Pastor Allman (he is writing July's) are sent via email Monday-Saturday. These devotions are based on the assigned readings for the Sundays. Use the Pink Sheet and you will be added this week.

\$1 feeds 4 People: Sunday School offering recipient for July – December is West Texas Food Bank. Please see your July newsletter for more information.

Pictorial Directory: We are excited that our *college kids* can be in the church pictorial directory. Please have your college student submit his/her picture to Sharon Burks. You can text the picture to her at 432-556-3420. Please include full name, college attending, mailing address, and cell # if you want it in the directory. **Deadline 7/12.** Thank you – PR Team.

Servants, Grace Needs YOU! Sign up at the MIT Board or use the Pink Sheets for **Tellers & Worship Delivery Service.** Thanks to **Merle Raven** for signing up as Teller & **Jeff Turner** for Worship Service Delivery in **July.** If you are unable to serve for a month, how about trying one week?

Help Bibleville Kids Collect Quarters: To help Lutheran Braille Workers provide free large-print & braille Bibles to people who are blind or have reduced vision. Deposit your quarters in the container on the counter in the entryway.

Still Looking ...For Those Few Good Men who will assist in our Pillow Pal Ministry. Every man here at Grace knows at least one lady who has been diagnosed with breast cancer. Looking for 5 servants to assist in filling in the gap between now and our next pillow party in the fall. Your July newsletter has the specifics and Jane Pase can answer any and all questions.

Grace Young Adults Connection: meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 7pm in the Youth Room. Join us for food, fellowship and growth. For more information call Ashley Bains – 432-288-4967 or Sarah Holley – 405-664-7228.

2017 Altar Flowers: The chart is located on the Grace Bulletin Board in the south hallway. Sign up for your special day. Fill in your details & dedication on the Donor Envelope and place it in the offering plate at least one week prior to your chosen date. Price is \$40 per vase.

Today’s Light Bible Week Seventy-Nine: We begin Luke this week. This is an important Gospel for us. Luke addressed it to Theophilus, a Gentile. He is showing that Jesus isn’t just for the Jews. He is for us too, the Gentiles! Praise the Lord!

Connection Groups is what we call small groups of 4 to 12 people. We have Connections who meet twice monthly on Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays in age or interest related Groups. For more information, please contact Ryan or Tiffani Hamilton, Chad or Lisa Dalager, Bill or Carolyn Hartzoge, Carol Massie, Gene or Millie Abel, Ashley Bains, Pastor Pase, or check out the MIT board in the long hallway across from the restrooms.

Life Quote: “We must be diligent and unceasing in prayer for our land—for the church, people, governments, and culture—to repent, seek God’s forgiveness, turn from wicked ways, and prosper by hearing the saving message of the Gospel which leads to life everlasting.” *Lynette Auch, president of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

The Lutheran Hour: “Serving in the Power of the Spirit”
Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz. Because Christ has paid our debt, we are no longer captive to sin but are free to live for others, in His name. (*Romans 7:1-13*) The Lutheran Hour airs at 7:30am on KWEL AM 1070 & 107.1 FM.

Family Shield Ministries: “Responding to Muslims.”
Family Shield airs at 8:00am on KWEL AM 1070 & 107.1 FM.

Listen....God is Calling: Mark 10:42 “And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward.” The tithes and offerings you give to the Lord’s work in His church go to supporting all manner of discipleship: they provide for a minister of the Gospel to preach, teach, and conduct the Sacraments; they provide for our missionaries and ministries of mercy here and abroad; and they make sure that the folks in your area have a place to go to worship the Lord. The Lord is pleased with this work – and He wants to bless you through supporting it.

Stephen Ministry: Who Are Stephen Ministers? Stephen Ministers are members of Grace who have gone through 50 hours of training in providing high-quality Christian care to individuals experiencing a crisis or challenge such as divorce, grief, loss of a job, hospitalization, relocation, or loneliness. Stephen Ministers are each assigned a care receiver and meet with that care receiver for about an hour a week. This caring relationship will last for as long as the care receiver needs it. If you would like more information on how to receive care from one, please talk to Pastor Pase.

Last Week at Grace

Divine Service (06/25)..... 102
 Sunday School Attendance (06/25)..... 49
 Monday Divine Service (06/19).....No Service
 First Fruit Giving (06/25).....\$5,482.50

Sunday Morning Sunday School/Faith Formation

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

Adult.....Fellowship Hall
Faces of the Reformation Pastor Pase
Adult..... Community Room
Growing in Christ Will Krueger
Adult..... Parlor
Sunday Lessons Bradley Bains & Pete Lufholm
Grades 7-12..... Youth Room
..... Chad & Lisa Dalager
Adventure Zones in Bibleville Bibleville
..... Ages 3 years – 6th Grade
Little Lambs (Ages 0-2)..... Room 14
..... Lauren Schwalbach

Graceful Living This Week

This Sunday 07.02.17
 7:30.....*The Lutheran Hour* KWEL AM 1070 & 107.1 FM
 8:00*Family Shield* KWEL AM 1070 & 107.1 FM
 9:10 Sunday School
 10:30 Communion
 2:00 Legacy Ranch Service
 4:00 **Ordination & Installation of Phillip Allman**

Tuesday 4th of July Office Closed
Wednesday
 6:45 Men of Grace

Thursday
 7:00 Seekers

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 8:00*Family Shield* KWEL AM 1070 & 107.1 FM
 9:10 Sunday School
 10:30 Worship
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Our ECP is on Summer Break. Keep our teachers & their plans for the next school year in your prayers.