



- ✚ 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 April 29, 2018

Holy Communion is celebrated today *after* the divine service. When you see the sanctuary doors close, come back in. Take a registration slip from a pew, fill it out and go to the altar steps. 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!

May Newsletter is laid out nicely for you, ready for you to pick it up. Please take yours today.

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.

LifeDate: The Spring 2018 edition is now available. We are proudly pro-life, so pick up your copy in the new resource center.

Sharing Newsletter: The March copy from LCMS World Relief and Human Care is in the resource center. Get your copy today.

Focal Point 1.0 (Sr. High) meets **TODAY** at 5:50 at the Regal Cinemas on Loop 250. Bring yourself, that is all you need. Pastor Pase has the \$\$\$ needed.

A "**Peruvian Spring Sowing**" event is **THIS THURSDAY** from 6:30-8pm. See your May newsletter for more details. This will be a casual evening with Deaconess Caitlin and her husband, Juan Carlos from Peru. A short history of our connection with the Peru mission to our current involvement will be presented at 7pm. Juan Carlos will share his faith story as well. We encourage all members of Grace to come and rejoice in the work of all our faithful sowers. (Snacks will be served.). Please sign up on the **Pink Sheet** to let us know you will attend and if you need a ride.

Monday Service is TOMORROW at 7pm! Reach out and invite someone you haven't seen at church in a while.

Wednesday Ministry Activities: Are at 6:30pm. There's a place for **YOU** at Grace on Wednesdays too! **We have 3 more weeks of our Midweek Ministry this year.**

Wednesday Meal: Is at 5:15 in the Fellowship Hall. The menu this week is **Chicken Spaghetti**. A free-will offering is appreciated to help cover expenses.

Confirmation Cards: are still available in the greeting card display in the east hallway. Please make your checks out to **Grace Guild**.

Focal Point 2.0 (Jr. High) meets **next Sunday** in the Youth Room from 6:00-7:30 led by Pastor Allman.

Prayers for Candidates: This past Tuesday and Wednesday respectfully, Candidates from Concordia, St. Louis and Concordia, Fort Wayne received their first calls. Prayers are asked for these men, the congregations they were called to and especially to those congregations (29) who requested a Candidate but did not receive one. 62 men received Calls from Concordia, St. Louis and 30 from Concordia, Ft. Wayne.

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.

Happy Camper Parents: We will be having our last camp information meeting on Wednesday, May 9 @ 6:00pm in the Community Room. We will be discussing important information for camp in June. If you have any questions or conflict with the dates please call, or email Michelle Wolfmueller at mwolfmueller@gmail.com or 936-697-4853.

A BIG THANK YOU to all who supported our E.C.P.'s Book Fair and donated to The Lutheran Literacy Project! We had over \$500 worth of brand new books for children. They will be distributed in a variety of rural communities in West Texas. If you wish to have more information about The Lutheran Literacy Project, contact Margaret Peterson at (432)697-6976.

Furniture Available: We have given new décor to the parlor and entryway too. We have a sofa, coffee table and chair available for you. A donation to the organ improvement fund is asked in lieu of payment. Talk with Pastor Pase. First come, first served.

Organ Improvement Project: We have already received in gifts and pledges over \$73k 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: Grace gifts are gifts to give away. God gives them to us, and we use them to serve others. Our Stephen Ministers are using their Grace gifts – faith, mercy, teaching the faith, encouragement, or knowing – to bring comfort and care to others.

Extreme Makeover...in HIS Image: John 15:2 – “Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit.” God is interested in the fruit that we bear in good works, and He even prunes us so that we may bring forth more fruit. Trusting in our Lord’s work for us, being grafted by grace into His vine, we desire to be more like Him, to grow into His image. That’s growth in fruit bearing...and it always comes with some pruning.

Life Quote: “When we see the unborn ... vulnerable, helpless, destined for destruction—we are compelled to speak and defend and help. And not because it is the right thing to do or the moral thing to do, but because it is the *Christ* thing to do. His hands that were pierced and His body that died and rose again were formed in a womb, giving value to all who have resided there.” *Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former executive director of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

The Lutheran Hour: "The Answer to Unhappiness"
 Guest Speaker: Rev. Michael Newman. What do you really want? What does your heart yearn for most? A blogger recently asked her readers the question: "If you could say in one word what you want more of in life, what would that be?" Can you guess the number one answer? It was happiness. (*Acts 8:26-40.*) The Lutheran Hour airs at 7:30am on KWEL AM 1070 & 107.1 FM.

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

Last Week at Grace

Sunday Divine Service (04/22) 134
 Sunday School Attendance (04/22)..... 61
 Monday Divine Service (04/23)..... 9
 First Fruit Giving (04/16 & 04/22) \$4,943.50

Sunday Morning Sunday School/Faith Formation

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

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

Graceful Living This Week

This Sunday **04.29.18**
 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
 10:30 Divine Service
 2:30 Legacy Ranch
 6:00 Focal Point 1.0 Sr. High

Monday
 7:00 Divine Service

Wednesday
 6:45 Men of Grace
 5:15 Meal – Chicken Spaghetti
 6:30 Midweek Ministry
 6:30 Joyful Chorus

Thursday
 9:30 Quilters
 11:30 Polity Committee
6:30 **Peruvian Spring Sowing**

Next Sunday **05.06.18**
 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
 10:30 Divine Service w/Communion
 11:45 Mission Board
 2:30 Legacy Ranch
 6:00 Focal Point 2.0 Jr. High

Our ECP continues to *Shine* this week.
 You are invited to read
 Acts 16:23-40
 with us this week.

A Stephen Ministry Congregation