



- ✝ 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 September 15, 2024*

**Welcome Back to Rev. Steve Wagner** who will lead our service again today. We pray God's blessings on him as he leads this divine service and in his travels.

**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. *Common Cup and Individual Cup are offered, as well as gluten-free wafers.*

**Bibleville:** As we gathered today, we studied "The Restoring King." Josiah becomes king of Judah at only eight years old. During the eighteenth year of his reign, Josiah begins the restoration of the temple. When they clean the temple, Hilkiah, high priest and Josiah's faithful teacher, discovers the Book of the Law. Hearing the words of the Law, Josiah tears his clothes in repentance and directs Hilkiah to inquire of the Lord concerning the people. The Lord responds, telling Josiah that because of his penitent heart He will hold back the disaster from Josiah's kingdom.

**This Week's Wednesday Meal** is *Pizza Baked Spaghetti, salad, & desserts.* Meals are served from 5:00-6:00 pm and your free-will offering is always appreciated to help cover expenses. **Please use the PINK SHEET so we will know how many will be joining us.**

**Not Just for Dog Lovers Only:** Be sure to check out the *Dog Lovers Quilt* hanging in the hallway by the community room. **Grace Quilters** are holding a silent auction that will run through the end of church service on September 29th. Proceeds benefit **Fix West Texas**. As always, Grace Quilters appreciate your support!

**Focal Point Up-Coming Youth Events:** High School Focal Point will begin the year with **Waterballoon Battleship** on September 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6:00-7:30 at church. Jr. High Focal Point will have a **Back to School Fun Night** at the church on September 29<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:30.

**Thank You:** To everyone who attended our special Voters' Meeting last Sunday. Pastor Mike Ramey and Grace have signed the intentional interim Ministry Agreement. Pastor Ramey's current start date is November 1<sup>st</sup>. We couldn't have made it this far without our Church Council, Board of Elders & YOU. Thanks to everyone for your efforts and prayers through this process.

**Children Led Christmas Service:** It might seem a little early, but there is much to do before our Children Led Christmas Service! Ms. Carol needs to know if your children will be participating so she can begin planning and organizing. Please sign the **PINK SHEET** if your children will be a part of "This is My Son," on December 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Practice begins on November 13 during Midweek. Children from 3 years to 6<sup>th</sup> Grade may participate. Also, if you would like to help with the Children Led Christmas Service, please sign the **PINK SHEET.**

**Grace Quilters:** The Quilters continue to meet on Thursdays from *1 – 3pm* in the Community Room. Contact Gina Zimmerman at 432-553-2263 or Margaret Cloyd at 432-638-3358 with any questions. There is no experience necessary. Come join us!

**This Week's Bible Verse:**



**Altar Flowers** There are still some open dates through the end of 2024 that need altar flowers. Please consider beautifying the chancel with your gift. The *Flower Chart* is on the bulletin board across from the Parlor in the south hallway. This is a wonderful way to celebrate your special days and people. The cost is \$50 a vase and you can supply one or two. Next to the chart is the envelope to fill out. Please make your checks to **Grace Altar Guild**. Place it in the offering plate on place it on Victoria's desk. All the directions are on the envelope.

**2024 Tellers Needed:** Servants are needed to assist Jim Raven in counting the first-fruit offerings collected after the Sunday divine services in **October & December**. Prayerfully consider which month(s) you are available. Please sign up on the **PINK SHEET.**

**We Want to Celebrate ALL Milestones!** Our *Retirement Milestone* will happen in the fall. If you have retired from a full-time position, let us know in the church office. Again, *full-time!* If you are still working part-time, consulting and the like, you are retired. And we want to honor that milestone. So, let us know!

**Living in the Light of the Lord:** Mark 9:24 – “Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, ‘I believe; help my unbelief!’” Haven’t we often felt like this! And notice that Jesus does not throw the man out because of his weakness of faith: He still has pity, and He still blesses the man. But neither does Jesus leave people in weakness of faith. He blesses us and calls us to a deeper faith, as He did to the disciples in the boat on the storm-tossed sea. How does our faith grow? By hearing the Word of God. What does our faith lead to as it grows? A godly life lived in thanksgiving to our Lord.

**Life Quotes:** “I pray that you will recognize and value those people in your life who were blessed by God so they could be a blessing to you! I especially pray that you will then use the blessings God has bestowed on you to bless those around you and to pass these blessings on to your own descendants to a thousand generations. Now is the time to pass on the gift. Now is the time to pass the baton to the next runner in the race! To God be all the glory!” *Barbara Lane Geistfeld, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

**The Lutheran Hour: "All He Has to Say"** Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#). The story of Jacob’s Ladder is not a prompt for us to climb higher. It’s a promise that God comes down to our level. (*Genesis 28:15*)

**Family Shield Ministries: "God’s Encouraging Word"** Guest: Faith Doerr. Guest Host: Rev. Mark Femmel. Airs at 8:00am on KWEL AM 1070 & 107.1 FM. Airs at 8:00am on KWEL AM 1070 & 107.1 FM.

**Last Week at Grace**

Sunday Divine Service (09/08) .....	138
Sunday School Attendance (09/08) .....	61
Adults .....	32
Bibleville .....	6
Youth .....	3
First Fruit Giving (09/08) .....	\$12,642.77

**Sunday Morning Sunday School/Faith Formation**

<b>Adult</b> .....	<b>Fellowship Hall</b>
.....	<i>Guest Pastor / Grace Elders</i>
<b>Adult</b> .....	<b>Parlor</b>
<i>Bible Stories</i> .....	<i>Josh/Kelli Jones</i>
<b>Grades 7-8</b> .....	<b>Youth Room</b>
.....	<i>Ryan &amp; Tiffani Hamilton</i>
<b>Grades 9-12</b> .....	<b>Youth Room</b>
.....	<i>Chad &amp; Lisa Dalager</i>
<b>Adventure Zones in Bibleville</b> .....	.....
.....	<i>Ages 3 years – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade</i>
<b>Little Lambs</b> .....	<b>Room 12</b> (1-2 year olds)

**Graceful Living This Week**

<b>This Sunday</b>	<b>09.15.24</b>
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
9:15 .....	Sunday School
10:30 .....	Divine Service w/Communion

<b>Wednesday</b>	
5:00 .....	Meal – Pizza Baked Spaghetti
6:15 .....	Joyful Chorus
6:15 .....	Midweek Ministry

<b>Thursday</b>	
1:00 .....	Quilters

<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b>09.22.24</b>
7:30 .....	<i>The Lutheran Hour</i> KWEL AM
.....	1070 & 107.1 FM
8:00 .....	<i>Family Shield</i> KWEL AM
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9:15 .....	Sunday School
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6:00 .....	HS Focal Point Event

**ECP 2024-2025: Call of Abraham; Birth of Isaac**  
*I have called you by name.*  
 Isaiah 43:1  
**GROW while trusting!**