

Bulletin Board

October 8, 2023

WELCOME! We praise God for giving us the ability to worship in fellowship today! Please remember that if you wish to social distance there is room, if you want or need to wear a mask we will support you. Please sign the registration books that are in the pews, please pass them to the next person. If you are worshipping from home and watching on Facebook please leave a comment (even if it is just Hi), it would be appreciated.

AED DEFIBRILLATOR In case you are wondering what the white box on the wall in the office corridor, it is our AED Defibrillator. This is located right outside the sanctuary by the bookcase.

BRINGING HOLY COMMUNION TO YOU If you would prefer to have Holy Communion brought to you in the pew on the weeks it is served – **please** let the elder/ushers know prior to the service. We would not want to miss you!

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP TIME Join us in the Hillmer Center this week at 10:15 a.m. Following fellowship time we will have Adult Bible Study in the Hillmer Center. The Sunday School class

WATERLOO ZONE LWML GATHERING will be at College Hill Lutheran Church on October 14th. Details are, 8:30 am Breakfast, 9:00 am Devotions, 9:30 - 10:00 - Presentation by Daniel Sanchez about Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca (its mission and what it has to offer for people of all ages)

Our ingathering for the LWML gathering, as is traditional, will be related to our guest speaker. Items do not need to be the same brand, but should meet the same specifications as the items listed. Some of our most common and regular needs are: Paper Towels* Napkins* Stamps* – Forever and Postcard, Cleaning Products* – Disinfecting Wipes, Toilet Bowl Cleaner, All-Purpose Cleaner, Window Cleaner, Pine Sol, Powder Cleanser, Trash Bags* – ONLY 13 Gallon and 33 Gallon Liners Batteries: AA, AAA, 9V, Kleenex/Tissue Paper, Paper Plates, Toilet Paper Rolls, Copy Paper *** – High Priority Needs**

GRACE GREETINGS DEADLINE It's that time again to get articles ready for the Grace Greetings! For anyone wanting to submit an article or an announcement to be included in the next Grace Greetings, please make sure to have it to the office by October 15. You can submit your articles by email to officeadmin@gracewaterloo.org or leave a hard copy in the office. Thank you for your help.

DO YOU NEED INFORMATION ON MEDICARE COSTS? Open Enrollment is October 15th to December 7th. Call for an appointment 319-272-7857. They would be happy to answer questions or to help you enroll. MercyOne SHIIP Office 2055 Kimball Ave. Suite 320.

CREATION MUSEUM AND ARK There will be a Christmas bus trip to the Creation Museum and Ark December 4-8. More information is in the September Greetings. You will take a 56 passenger Windstar bus that leaves from the Waverly Walmart parking lot at 6 am Monday morning. There are pickup stops in Waterloo also. You will be home sometime on Friday evening. Deadline for having the money in is November 1st and that is fast approaching. This is the easy way to go to these wonderful attractions without dealing with the traffic. For more information you can call 319-610-2623 or email bauerr@mchsi.com.

ONLINE GIVING We now have the option of online giving available on our website: www.gracewaterloo.org You will enter a secure site and can setup weekly or one time gifts to your regular giving or to special funds like the building repair fund. Giving can be setup with either a credit card or your bank account. You can create an account that will remember your information for future use. This is a very secure site so you can setup giving with confidence that your information will be safe.

You can also setup giving using an app on a cell phone. Just search for Vanco in your App Store. Using this you will need to create an account with your information to allow the app to communicate with Vanco.

A LIFE QUOTE "These two choices are vastly different: to give birth to a child or to abort it. But one thing is the same: to choose Jesus is to choose life. For Jesus holds every life—even the tiniest—in the nail-scarred palm of His hand." Rev. Gary Blobaum, St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Oregon, Illinois – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org Word of Hope can help. word-of-hope.org; 888.217.8679.



BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES: Did You Know *I think I can, I think I can, I think I can....* Remember this repeating line from the children's book *The Little Engine That Could?* Yesterday and still today the story lines and themes of popular books, songs, movies or TV shows give many opportunities to begin a conversation with a young person that will influence their thinking and faith development. *I think I can...* provides a great opening for sharing how many times I can't, but that *all things are possible with God*. One episode of *The Bachelorette* provides multiple opportunities to talk with your teen about how to choose a spouse and what's really important to look for in a marriage partner. Keep your eyes and ears open for opportunities to share Biblical truths and God's good design for life and marriage with those in your family this week! **Lutheran Family Service** www.LutheranFamilyService.org (515.573.3138 and LFSiowa.org)

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE - This week the verse is:

1 Timothy 1:15

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.

GRACE FOOD PANTRY



Anyone wishing to donate to the Grace Food Pantry, these are the top items needed:

Cold Cereal, soups, hamburger / tuna helper, 32 oz juices, spaghetti sauce, crackers, soda crackers, rice, pastas, canned meat, Peanut Butter, canned fruit, tooth paste Shampoo/ Conditioner, Body wash, dish soap, cleaning liquids, laundry soap, razors, deodorant and lotions.

We can always use money too. The committee would like to thank all those who have given generously to the Grace Food Pantry!

Anyone needing assistance with the Grace Food Pantry please contact the church office. Anyone interested in helping with the food pantry please contact the office or people listed.

VALLEY LUTHERAN UPDATE

We have another opportunity to support Mrs. L'Heureux! We have this wonderful opportunity to support one of our very own, Mrs. Amanda L'Heureux. You can support her by participating in our all school pink out for breast cancer awareness. You are invited to order a shirt where part of the proceeds will go to support her and her family with medical bills that will be accruing. Below is the link to the shirt order. Please note all sales must be in by October 13th at 1:00 PM. No late orders will be accepted. Thank you!

Calling on all of our prayer warriors as we take this prayer to battle as well!

Valley Lutheran School's Fall Choir Concert will be Friday, October 13th at 7:00 pm. Please consider attending to support the middle school and high school students singing to God's glory.

Youth News

Saturday October 21st we are going to have games here at church from 1-3 pm. Bring a board game or we have corn hole boards and other games here. Let me know if you plan on coming.

A REMINDER: Members wishing to contribute to the recent loan for roofing and air conditioning may do so by marking the memo line on your check for the Properties Repair Loan and leaving your donation in the offering plate or office. All donations to the cause will be directly applied to the loan. Thank you for your generous heart.

Matthew 22:40 – “On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.” We serve God and our neighbor through the various vocations (holy callings) that God has given us. We do not need to go searching for good works or inventing our own: God has given us roles to fill in home, church and society and that will keep us plenty busy! When we seek to fulfill the duties of these vocations in a spirit of faith, God-pleasing works are the result.

The Schedule this Week:

The following events have been planned for this week.

TODAY:	LWML Sunday
9:00 a.m.	Worship w/Holy Commun. Sanctuary
10:15 a.m.	Fellowship Hillmer Center
10:30 a.m.	Bible Class/Sunday School Hillmer Center/ Upper level
MONDAY:	
6:00 p.m.	Exercise Library
TUESDAY:	
6:00 p.m.	Foster Parent Support Group Hillmer Center
WEDNESDAY:	
8:30 a.m.	Sewing Circle Rm 17
5:15 p.m.	Chancel Chior Choir Rm
THURSDAY:	
5:30 p.m.	Four Oaks CPR/FA Hillmer Center
6:00 p.m.	Exercise Library
NEXT SUNDAY:	
9:00 a.m.	Worship Sanctuary
10:15 a.m.	Fellowship Hillmer Center
10:30 a.m.	Bible Class/Sunday School Hillmer Center/Upper level
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CATECHESIS – This week for those using the Catechism Study Guide you should be on the following page number according to what year you are doing.
Year 1 is page 52; Year 2 is page 111;
Year 3 is page 170;