

# Bulletin Board

October 29, 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, we are watching the second half of the Luther movie. The Sunday School class will meet upstairs.

**VOTER'S MEETING** is scheduled for next Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am in the sanctuary. We will have a short worship service and then go to the meeting. Please pick up a Voter's packet in the Narthex and in the hallway this morning. This is so you are ready to discuss the budget and all of the other questions you might have.

**DO YOU NEED INFORMATION ON MEDICARE COSTS?** Open Enrollment is October 15<sup>th</sup> to December 7<sup>th</sup>. 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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](http://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** "On this Reformation weekend, let's rekindle our commitment to be faithful to the God who both preserves and redeems this world in His ways. And let's remind ourselves of the blessings that come from following Him in all things, now and forever." Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz, Executive Director of the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)  
Word of Hope can help. [word-of-hope.org](http://word-of-hope.org); 888.217.8679.



**BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES: Did You Know** Despite living with physical, emotional and financial challenges and through social and political upheaval which often separated them by many miles and at times threatened life itself, Martin & Katie Luther created and sustained a marriage and family life characterized by faithfulness, mutual respect, teamwork and a good degree of humor. As we remember and give thanks for the great reformer and the blessing that his life and work have been to the church, we also give thanks for God's work in their lives which provides us with an example of Christian family life today. May the lives and marriage of Martin and Katie and their love for their children remind us of Christ's love for his church and of the Father's love for us, His redeemed children.  
**Lutheran Family Service** [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)  
(515.573.3138 and LFSiowa.org)

**MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE** - This week the verse is:

**Ephesians 2:8-9**

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

**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 55;

Year 2 is page 114;

Year 3 is page 173;

# 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

The 15th Annual Valley Lutheran Craft Sale will be held on Saturday, November 4th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We will be accepting items for the rummage sale beginning on October 23rd from 8:30 to 3:30 p.m. Please no clothes or large pieces of furniture. We thank you for your donations. Craft Sale Committee

*Valley Lutheran's National Honor Society Students are hosting a Blood Drive through the American Red Cross on Monday, October 30th from 1-6. By donating at this blood drive, you are helping one or more graduating seniors earn a scholarship. For an appointment call 1-800-RED-CROSS, (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and use sponsor code-ValleyLutheranCF.*

Valley Lutheran School will be hosting a Veterans' Day celebration on Friday, November 10 at 10:00 A.M. Our theme this year is "Called to Serve." We will be having our annual slide show presentation for those who have served or are currently serving in a branch of the military. If you currently have a picture in the slideshow and would like it to remain, please email Mr. Holtzman with the name and relationship to a Valley student or our ministry. Send a picture, the military branch, rank, and years of service to [chad.holtzman@vlscrusaders.org](mailto:chad.holtzman@vlscrusaders.org) or drop it off at Valley Lutheran School in the office by Friday, November 3. Any pictures not spoken for will be removed.

This event is open to the public. Our Boosters will be hosting a free lunch for veterans after the program. Please join us

**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.

**John 8:36 – "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."** Today we celebrate Reformation Day! Luther is rightly remembered as a champion of the Gospel — but he also called himself "the apostle of good works." For only by being set free by the Gospel can we do good works. Jesus has set us free: His blood covers over our sins, and now we stand before God as His beloved children, invited to live our lives to His glory for the good of His kingdom.

### The Schedule this Week:

The following events have been planned for this week.

<b>TODAY:</b>	
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
<b>MONDAY:</b>	
6:00 p.m.	Exercise Library
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	
8:30 a.m.	Sewing Circle Rm 17
5:15 p.m.	Chancel Chior Choir Rm
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	
9:30 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study Hillmer Center
6:00 p.m.	Exercise Library
<b>SATURDAY:</b>	
8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast/Bible Study Kitchen
<b>NEXT SUNDAY:</b>	
9:00 a.m.	Worship Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Voter's Meeting Sanctuary
10:15 a.m.	Fellowship Hillmer Center
10:30 a.m.	Bible Class/Sunday School Hillmer Center/Upper level
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### Youth News

Friday November 10, at 8 p.m. we are going Cosmic Bowling at Cadillac Lanes. Please check out the greetings for more information.