



June 2025 Newsletter

Grace Lutheran Church
Jesus' Lambs of Grace Preschool
Manitowoc, Wisconsin

"HIS Light on the Lakeshore"

Congregational Open Forum Meetings

Sunday, June 22nd After 9:00 A.M. Worship

Monday, June 23rd After 6:30 P.M. Worship

Congregational Voters' Meeting

Tuesday, June 24th at 6:30 P.M.



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2025

Whether it's
Preschool to Kindergarten
Kindergarten to Elementary School
Eighth Grade to High School
High School to College
College to the World Beyond

We'd like to wish all our Grace Lutheran graduates God's richest blessings! May He go with you as you move on to life's next step.



From Our Pastor's Desk

Pastor Ryan Henning

What I've been reading:

- From the Bible – *Ezra, Nehemiah, Gospels*: Over our time away, I finished out the Old Testament. The Israelites returned home under the leadership of Ezra the teacher and Nehemiah the prayer-warrior. They rebuilt the walls and the Temple in Jerusalem and enjoyed the restoration God promised. But we know from history that the Jews

didn't stay under their own power for long. The empire of Greece expanded their influence under Alexander the Great. Then, the Roman empire swept through under Caesar after Caesar. This sets the stage for the time of Jesus. It's exciting to read from all the Gospels at once, seeing how piece by piece fits in, how each author highlighted different events or offered a unique perspective, all while proclaiming the long-awaited Messiah, the Savior, the son of God (as I heard from the genealogy of Jesus just this morning.) After following the people of God looking forward to salvation, it's personally comforting to know that Jesus cares for all the people of God who look back, who have seen the salvation brought through Jesus, and who look forward to the day of his return.

- For fun: Over vacation, I had plenty of time for "fun" reading (my definition of fun might be different than yours.) I finished out the series of *When Cancer Comes* – look for those in our church library soon! I read a few leadership books that Heidi lent to me. *Me to We* taught me that church work can be more exciting and flourish when the pastor doesn't do it all. There are so many gifts to tap into in the body of Christ! In a similar vein, I also read *Doing Church as a Team*. Husbands, I read a short book called *30 Ways a Husband Can Bless His Wife*; there are some fun ideas for reminding your bride that you love her and God loves her. For a little more "fun," Cait and I listened to a few books during our drives. *Magic Hour* was about a little girl rescued from the woods who moved from selective mutism to learning and flourishing under the care of two sisters. We're working our way through *The Reformatory*, a historical novel that takes place in Florida and explores the struggles of racial conflict and injustice while a 12-year-old is locked up in a reformatory boys' school.

Refreshed and Restored:

- I love these kinds of "re-" words in the Bible. When we are worn down, broken, weary, God makes us new. Out with the old, because the light has come. It was good for Cait and me to have this time to reconnect and recuperate, and we're excited for this new stage of life – neither of us are students for the first time in our 10+ years together! We're so grateful that we get to "begin" adulthood with our family here at Grace! God's blessings for all the "new" he brings to all of us every day in this next month!

More News from Pastor Henning...

Pastor's Office Hours: To make it easier to connect, and to allow time for other pastoral duties and rest, I'll be keeping regular office hours. During these times, I'll be available for conversation, prayer, or a quick check-in:



Monday & Wednesday: 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

If you need to reach me outside these hours, feel free to call or email. If I'm not in when you stop by, just leave a message, and I'll get back to you. Thank you for your support!

Half a Car Wash Coming Soon!

On **Thursday, June 12th** our Jesus' Lambs of Grace Summer Camp Kids will be holding a "Half" a car wash! Why only half a car? That's due to the size of the kids doing the washing. The top half may stay dirty, but the bottom will be nice and clean.

The washing runs from **3:00 – 4:30 P.M.** Donations are accepted with proceeds going to the Summer Camp program at Jesus' Lambs.

Come get half your car clean and help add to the fun these kids will be having! You'll be glad you stopped!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Grace Lutheran Vacation Bible School

August 4th-8th 9am – Noon

Ages 3years – 6th Grade

To register head to

[VBSPRO.EVENTS/P/GRACE-TRUENORTH](https://vbspro.events/p/grace-truenorth)



News From the Coordinating Council Grace Lutheran Church

The big news for June was introduced to you on the first page of this newsletter, that being our **Open Forum Meetings and Voters' Meetings** coming up this month. Once again, the Open Forums will be held after worship on Sunday, June 22nd and Monday, June 23rd. The Voters will meet on Tuesday, June 24th beginning at 6:30 P.M.

The topics at Open Forum and carrying over to Voters will include:

The 2025 – 2026 Church Budget

Revisions and Changes to the Grace Lutheran Constitution

Revisions and Changes to the Grace Lutheran Bylaws

The Possible Hiring of a Technology / Website / Social Media Coordinator

The Possible Hiring of a New Member Ministry Coordinator to Replace Heidi Malley

An Open Position on the CC That Will Occur at the Close of This Year

Plans and Goals as We Look Forward at Grace Lutheran Church

We encourage all our members to attend an Open Forum meeting, and all our voters to join us Tuesday, June 24th. May God bless our discussions, plans and decisions!

Please note that copies of the 2024 – 2025 Budget Plan as well as the Church Constitution and Bylaws will be available for you to take and read. Look for them in the narthex area of the church beginning Sunday, June 8th.

Earlier in this newsletter you read of Pastor's new "**Office Hours.**" The Coordinating Council fully supports this schedule and encourages all our members to follow the office hours plan so that Pastor can better coordinate his work time! Our thanks to all for your understanding!

Work is beginning at the CC level concerning the possible purchase of a new church organ. Please stay tuned as we get back to you with more information on this endeavor.

To increase campus safety, a new specialized security camera will soon be installed at church that has the ability to read vehicle license plates. Feel free to talk to Tom Meineke for more information about this important safety tool.

The CC has begun work in seeking individuals willing to serve as our congregation's next president. Our current president's term will expire at the end of 2025. Please contact any of our CC members if you might be willing to serve in such an office, or if you have suggestions for someone who might wish to take on this position.

Our Coordinating Council exists to serve our congregation and our Lord. May God continue to bless the efforts of these individuals as they continue their work for Him!

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Brewers Fans! The Bus is Full!



WELS Night at American Family Field
Home of the Milwaukee Brewers!



July 11th at 7:10 P.M.

Milwaukee Brewers vs. Washington Nationals

The Bus Will Be Leaving the Church Grounds at 3:10 P.M.
Your Bus Ride, Ticket and a Sandwich on the Bus are Free!

You May Wish to Leave a Gratuity for the Driver.

Our Thanks to the Langman Family for this Exciting Adventure.

A Maximum of Fifty-Six People Have

Signed Up to Go to the Game.

There is a Waiting List in Play.

Call The Church Office for More Information

CHANGE FOR LIFE

Our congregation is participating in the Change for Life program to support the ministry of New Beginnings – A Home for Mothers. New Beginnings is a WELS-based ministry that helps single mothers pave the way to self-sufficiency in a Christ-centered home.



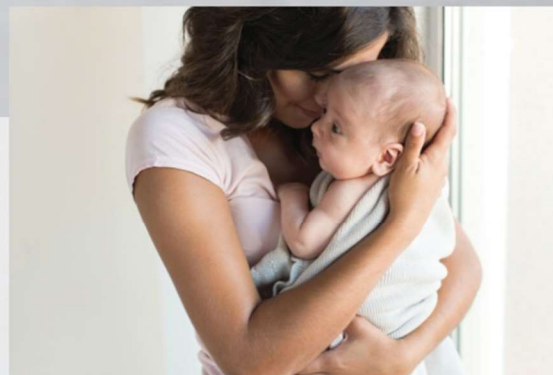
Build a Better Tomorrow

Learn more about the unique ministry you are supporting: www.homeformothers.com

LOOK FOR DISPLAY!



NEW BEGINNINGS
A HOME FOR MOTHERS



Taste of MISSIONS

June 14, 2025

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary | Mequon, Wisconsin

Send off missionaries in a commissioning worship service
Hear mission presentations • Sample ethnic cuisine
Interact with home + world missionaries

Worship is free and open to all
Register in advance to purchase food tickets
Registration opens March 2025

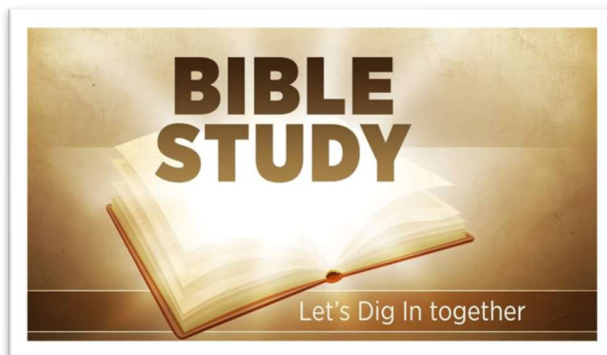


Learn more at tasteofmissions.com

Pastor Henning's New Bible Study Begins on Tuesday, June 10th.

What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus? Maybe you can name some of those twelve guys who followed Jesus for a few years. But you're called to be a disciple too! What does this look like in 21st Century America? Come join us for our upcoming Bible Study, starting on Tuesday, June 10th. Over a period of six weeks / lessons, we'll learn what true discipleship means – built on God's Word, planning and working to carry out the

church's mission for the good of the body and leading to follow Christ's model. Each lesson also contains a "Training" section – an opportunity to apply the material to each of our lives, take home the concept, and put it into action. Come and grow in God's Word with your fellow disciples. Bible Study is offered each Sunday after the worship service, on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 P.M. and Wednesday afternoons at 1:15 P.M. You can always expect good company and, most often, some snacks and a warm beverage! Join us!



[DISCIPLESHIP BOOT CAMP]

I have fought the good fight,
finished the race,
kept the faith.

2 TIMOTHY 4:7



out of darkness and into **THE LIGHT**

In a dark and fallen world, how can you bring the Light of Jesus to Darkness in India? Learn about the despondent lives lost in sex trafficking, betrayed, and abandoned by families, forsaken and scorned by society. Most tragically, they are lost for eternity without a knowledge of the Truth and Light of the World. Come learn about work being done to save women and children who have been victimized by this darkness. Hear from a team of women bringing Jesus' love and promises of Hope and salvation. You can too! While this great exploitation exists across the world, learn how you can become the Light that leads them out of this darkness - to Jesus, their only Hope and salvation. "Only in His power ...let us defend the weak and deliver them from the hand of the wicked." Psalm 82:3

PRESENTED BY BRIDGET WEBER AND YVONDA HIRSCH
JUNE 8 AT 10:15 AM | GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Join us Sunday, June 8th for this special presentation at Grace Lutheran.

Looking Ahead...

**Grace Lutheran Church Picnic
Sunday, September 7th**

Mark Your Calendars and Join Us!

**More Information Coming in Next
Month's Newsletter**

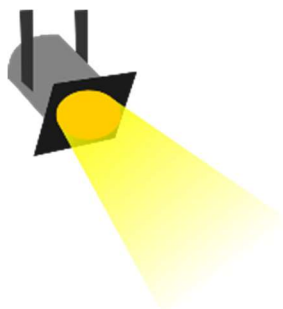




Sunday, June 15th, 2025



June 19th, 2025



Member Spotlights Will Return Next Month!

June 1st – 7th Dave Bergquist

June 8th - 14th Jerry Krueger

June 15th – 21st Tom Fagan

June 22nd – 28th Dave Kappelman

June 29th - July 5th Tod Hauf



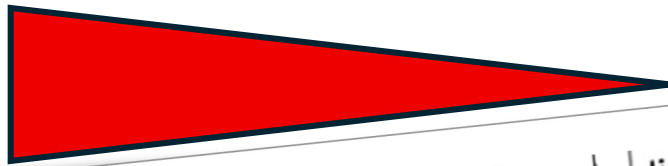
June 14th Greg and Lori Stuebs

June 28th Dorothy Duchow



DATE	COMMUNION ASSIST.	USHERS	GREETERS
Jun 1 – Sun 9am	Bruce Wigand (323-3703)	Bruce Bitter (901-8160)	Laverne Mattes
Jun 2 – Mon 6:30pm		Dave Kappelman (863-1045)	
Jun 8 – Sun 9am		Jerry Krueger (901-1291)	Wendy Krueger
Jun 9 – Mon 6:30pm		Steve Malley (973-1987)	Tammy Brunner
Jun 15 – Sun 9am	Troy Stubbe (362-8008)	Wayne Pearson (905-0630)	Stacy Stubbe
Jun 15 – Mon 6:30pm		Dave Bergquist (905-4945)	
Jun 22 – Sun 9am		Bruce Matthias (901-4312)	Lorna Matthias
Jun 23 – Mon 6:30pm		Neil Conrad (946-5066)	
Jun 29 – Sun 9am		Bob Freiboth (323-1558)	Judi Freiboth
Jun 30 – Mon 6:30pm		Dave Bergquist (905-4945)	

June Birthdays



Brittney Randall	6/2	Jim Koch	6/20
Hadley J Waniger	6/4	Amber Falck	6/20
Ben Zipperer	6/4	Lori Stuebs	6/21
Samantha De Roche	6/4	Madeline Carstens	6/21
Nancy J Bast	6/5	Peggy Rezba	6/21
Jenna Schamburek	6/5	Marlis Schrimpf	6/22
Sam I Martinco	6/9	Dennis Egerer	6/22
Michael Zutz	6/10	Nancy Froehlich	6/25
Wayne Pearson	6/11	Shae Kocourek	6/25
Mariah Gauger	6/11	Reed Radzinske	6/27
Tammy M Gauger	6/12	Lane Radzinske	6/28
Shayna Abbet	6/12	Joshua Krause	6/29
Jeff Lindemann	6/14	Parker Heimerl	6/29
Noah El Yaagoubi	6/14	Mary B Hassemer	6/30
Tod Hauf	6/17	Katie Gorzelitz	6/30
Tasha Darvanian	6/18	Deb K Wigand	6/30
Melissa Emond	6/19	BellaRain Darvanian	6/30
Troy Stubbe	6/19	Addelyn Bender	6/30

Happy Birthday!
God's Continued Blessings!

Manitowoc Lutheran High School News

Lancer Golf Classic

[Register today](#) - Friday, August 1st

Fox Hills Golf Resort - Mishicot

Three flights; men's, women's, and coed.

Visit www.mlhslancers.org/golfclassic to donate,
learn more, and register!



EXTRAORDINARY

MLHS MISSION TEAMS

Six students and two chaperones are traveling to Whiteriver, Arizona from June 4th -10th to serve our Apache brothers and sisters in Christ by constructing, repairing, and cleaning various aspects of East Fork Lutheran School. If you are interested in helping make this trip possible by donating visit www.mlhslancers.org/extraordinary-missions



Jesus' Lambs of Grace

Summer Camp

Begins Monday, June 2nd

**May God Bless Our School With
An Outstanding Summer
Program!**

This once again brings the newsletter to a close, but the news will continue! Keep yourself up to date with all things Grace Lutheran by:

- Listening to the after-worship service announcements, and
- Reading the onscreen announcements found on the monitors in church, and
- Checking your church mailbox for weekly announcement sheets, and
- Reading the weekly “Church News” emails sent from our church office, and
- Calling the church office with your questions.

It is our desire to keep our entire church family in the know. May God bless our efforts to do so, and may God bless all of you!

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Have a Wonderful Month of June!
We'll See Each Other in Church!