

March 2023



Good News of Grace

Family Worship Times

Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am

Sunday School 9:15am

Pastors

Michael Buchhorn & Erik Christensen

904 Logan Wayne, NE 402-375-1905

Ads for Jesus

If you were like most Americans, you probably watched at least a little of the Super Bowl. Some people tune in for the game, others for the half-time show and still others for the ads. Because of the ability to reach traditionally huge audiences, advertisers pay millions of dollars for 30 second ads. I read that each of this year's ads cost something like 7 million dollars. Some of the ads are strange, some are so obscure you wonder what they are selling, others may give us a sudden urge to eat a crunchy snack. I mention this because this year there were two commercials which might be for lack of a better description be described as "Jesus commercials." Jesus was being marketed to America along with snack chips, beer and the latest Hollywood blockbuster. So what did you think? Did you notice them?

The people who sponsored the ads stated that the idea was generated as they sought to answer the question, "How did the story of a man who taught and preached unconditional love become associated with hatred and oppression for so many people?" Sadly, we have to acknowledge that for many of our fellow citizens that association is unfortunately real. When they think of the church, there are a lot of negatives. The sponsors indicated they went on to ask, "How might we rediscover the promise of the love his story represents?"

Now certainly the primary intended audience of the Jesus ads was not people who already know and love the Lord. Nor were they for those who love his bride the church as blemished and flawed in this life as she may seem to be. As I understand it, the intended audience was primarily young people who increasingly seem to be rejecting the church and Jesus and the assumption is that they never really got to know Jesus as He is. So at least in the minds of some Jesus needed a publicist and marketing campaign. People are being introduced to Jesus

in a way not much different than an aspiring presidential candidate might launch a political campaign.

In the campaign, we are told Jesus did not want us to act like adults, he loved the people we hate, he invited everyone to sit at His table, he was homeless, he was a refugee, he was fed up with politics. Jesus was the sort of person we can relate to, or in the words of the campaign theme, “He gets us. All of us” He understands us. He dealt with the same stuff we do.

It is true that if you do not feel like Jesus understood what you are going through or what it is like to live out life in a world filled with hate, bigotry, corruption and intolerance, then you don’t really know him. But I don’t know if the catch phrases of slick commercials will help us get to know him much better. God already had a strategy for people getting to know Jesus, it was by sending out people who did know Him called disciples to reflect His love, mercy, forgiveness and teaching to others. Maybe if the church has become known for something other than being Christlike it is time for us to sit again at Jesus feet and get to know Him better ourselves.

That is why each year during Lent, we focus on the retelling of the story of his suffering and death. We are to honestly see the horror of humanity’s depravity and the amazing splendor of God’s love. But we need to see something more than the relatable Jesus who knew what it was like to be poor, unfairly judged and rejected. We need to see that this was God’s way of overcoming the sin of the world. We need to acknowledge that sin wasn’t just what other people say or do, but that we have had a part in it. We are to marvel that there was one who knowing the cost of the cure was willing to step up and pay it. So I invite you to spend some time during these forty days with Jesus. May we better know Him and knowing Him better reflect his love to those around us.

In Christ,

Pastor Buchhorn



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with US
in
grace

SPECIAL MISSION EVENT



Gary Thies

Grace Lutheran Church

Wayne, Nebraska

Sunday March 12, 2023

WORSHIP at 8:00, and 10:30 BIBLE CLASS at 9:15 a.m.

Gary brings to you and the congregation an in-person presentation with pictures and artifacts directly from the mission field. He has visited 75 countries and continues to connect weekly with over 100 LCMS missionaries around the world.

- Exciting presentation direct from the mission field
- More information at www.missioncentral.us

Gary W. Thies is a Mission Development Counselor with the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Gary lives on a farm in Western Iowa and is Director of Mission Central. He would love to share with you the news of what is really happening in missions through the LCMS.

Be sure to invite someone to come with you because you, too, are a missionary!

Go Make Disciples.

Matthew 28: 18-20

Grace to Host Lutheran Early Response Team (LERT) Training

Responding to a disaster is a vital part of who we are as members of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Responding to a disaster allows a congregation to confess Christ to their community, region and world in ways they may have never considered before. ***Lutheran Early Response Team Training*** helps prepare Christians to be better prepared when a disaster strikes, and helps them know how to respond in word and deed within their community. To learn more you can go to <https://www.lcms-lert.org/>

A Basic LERT Training class will be held at **Grace Lutheran Church of Wayne** on **April 22, 2023**. The class is for new or reviewing participants. During the class, participants will be introduced to the LCMS Disaster Response program and learn the basic nature of disasters, the opportunities to respond to personal needs in such disasters and how as Christians, can support church workers, families, congregations and the public, as the hands and feet of Jesus, during these trying times. Other class topics include response and deployment protocol in times of disasters, a ministry of presence, and safety practices. This training event will equip you to be an effective volunteer should a disaster strike your community.

A registration fee of **\$30** per person will cover the cost of lunch, snacks, training materials, and LERT T-shirt. You can sign up for event online at https://www.lcms-lert.org/need/detail/?need_id=772657 or by calling the church office 402-375-1905. Participants are encouraged to pre-register before April 3, 2023, so we have the proper materials for everyone. Last minute attendees are also welcomed, however course materials may be limited if you are not pre-registered. If you have questions, please contact Mick Onnen at DisasterResponse@ndlcms.org or Dylan Woodall (Instructor for this Training) at (816) 263-0444.

All interested participants are welcome to attend this LERT training session. However, only LCMS members who are 14 years or older will receive certification as LCMS LERT volunteers. Your LERT trainer will distribute all the necessary LERT materials during and after the class. You will receive your certificate of participation, volunteer ID card, and T-shirt from your LERT Trainer after the training is complete.

The training will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 22, 2023. Participants should arrive by 8:30 am to complete registration and sign in.

What will we study? These are main topics of the training:

- An introduction to the LCMS Disaster Response program
- Christian Care in times of disaster
- Lutheran Early Response Teams
- Safety Protocol

College Sunday Night Dinners and Bible Study

Sunday Night Dinners for our College Students, Young Adults, and anyone who wants to join us will continue throughout the month of March. These meals start at 7:30pm, with a time of fellowship and Bible Study immediately preceding this at 6:30pm. Thank you to everyone who has already signed up to host a meal or even a few of them for this semester! Again, we greatly appreciate all of your help, and definitely welcome all students who are interested in coming together for some fellowship!

High School Sunday School Class

Our current High School Sunday School Class is called, "GENESIS, SCIENCE, AND THE FOUNDING FATHERS!" Come join our High School Youth, Parents, and interested Adults Class as we unlock a "boat load" of topics in Genesis and how they totally apply to our day and our times. Ever wondered if science can confirm the Bible? Ever wanted to know what pearls of wisdom God's Word has to offer us for life today? And who were the founding fathers? Were they really just agnostics, deists or can they point us to the truth about Jesus and the Bible? Come join us as we discover how these three pieces actually fit together, in our new study through the beginning of God's Word...
Genesis!

High School Wednesday Bible Study

We are continuing an important part of our High School Christian Education at Grace this year in the Wednesday Evening Bible Studies! We will host these Bible Studies on the First, Third, and Fifth Wednesday of the month. In March we will meet on the 1st, 15th and the 29th down at Cup of Grace from 8:00pm to 9pm. Please be patient as Pastor Erik will be travelling from Confirmation to Cup of Grace as quickly as he can to join you, but please come join us. These studies again are open to all High Schoolers and their friends who are interested in growing closer to God and each other.



Youth Valentines Lunch



Thank you to everyone who signed up to come share a meal with our youth group on February 12th. Our youth wish to express their gratitude for all your support and encouragement! We love you all and were humbled to be able to serve you.

Our youth leaders would also like to say a word of thanksgiving for all the youth themselves. The turnout that we had to make this meal a success was outstanding! You each did a wonderful job, and again we truly appreciate your service!

MidWeek Classes

During the month of March all MidWeek Classes will be starting at 7pm or immediately following our Wednesday evening Lent Services. We look forward to seeing your children in attendance, and hope you can join us for the dinner and service each week too.

Youth Trip to Ponca State Park

Our Youth Fellowship event for March will be a trip to Ponca State Park. We are planning for March 25th. Meeting at church at 10am to carpool. Among other things we may be able to cross country ski, hike, and explore God's beautiful nature while hearing about His master plan for creation, and the reason He made each of us in His Image. Come join us and be sure to invite your friends as well! More details to come!

Fishers of Kids Preschool This month is going by quickly! We learned about Groundhog Day and shadows. The older students had a "sweet " time sorting candy hearts by colors/color words and cute candy sayings! The younger group made patterns with their candy hearts! They all were excited to take their candy home to enjoy and continue learning.

Guest speakers have been busy visiting our preschool. Sara Westerhold visited from St. Mary's school and read some books. Dr. Burrows also visited us for Dental Health month! Still to come, Mr. Plager, the Wayne Elementary principal, will be visiting the older group to answer any questions they may have about kindergarten round-up. We will also have the librarian read stories at the end of the month! Valentine exchange parties were celebrated this week, and we will be learning about presidents next week.

Next month, the students will be singing in church, and we will have Parent/Teacher conferences. Also our topics will include: Animal Homes, Read Across America, Spring Weather, and St. Patrick's Day. We look forward to Spring and playing outside!

Sunday School Updates and Reminders

This year, I have taught intelligent fourth-graders in Midweek. I have enjoyed spending more time learning and teaching with this set of students. Their personalities make me laugh, and I hope they are having as much fun as I am. I also would like to say a special thank you to my friend Riley Hlavac who has been sitting in on my classes this year. Riley is graduating from Wayne State this semester and moving on to seminary. He teaches the first 15 minutes of my class every week, and the kids have grown to love him.

This year, so far we have been taking a look into the Answers in Genesis curriculum that was provided to me. This curriculum goes through major events in the Bible, focuses on how the stories in the New Testament and the Old Testament connect, and the apologetics surrounding it all. At the beginning of the year, we focused a lot on Moses, but more recently we have been glancing into the stories of Samuel, Saul, and David. As I teach these stories, I try to touch on things that they may have missed while learning them in the past. The students are enjoying getting to learn new things about stories they have heard previously. I also try to touch briefly on the Ten Commandments when I can find time to do so. It is so fun hearing the students connect the 10 Commandments to the stories. Just this last week, Izzy Ruwe connected the fifth commandment, thou shall not murder, to the story of David becoming king. It was a proud teacher moment for sure!

I also take the time at the end of class to play games with the kids because it is important for students to connect learning with having fun. This process begins by playing games in class and connecting the games to the lessons. For instance, when I taught the students about the Eighth Commandment, thou shall spread false testimony, I played Telephone with them. It shows how easily rumors and words can spread and turn from true to false. The students always love this activity.

This year has been amazing, and I love spending the year teaching them about God's love and miracles. I look forward to seeing all of the students grow in their education as the second half of the year continues.

Symphony Jareske

Upcoming Lessons Include:

March 5th – **A Mercy-Full Message—The Good Samaritan**

March 12th – **A Prayer Lesson—The Lord's Prayer**

March 19th – **A Shepherd Loves—The Good Shepherd**

March 26th – **A Tree View—Zacchaeus**

During the month of March, our 9:15am Sunday School Openings will continue meeting down in the church basement. Parents should plan to join their children as we kick off the morning with snacks, and a time of great fellowship. Immediately following this time of fellowship, the Lower Division classes will either meet for music or be sent directly to their classroom. Upper Division youth will go directly to their classrooms each week.

Our Sunday School is working hard to provide your families with numerous special events! On April 1st starting at 9:30am we will offer the first of these events which is our 2023 CrossPoint adventure called “Journey to the Cross!” At “Journey to the Cross” families will hear again of Jesus’ last week on earth as told by special people he encountered during His life and ministry. We will hear from a spectator in the crowd at Palm Sunday, the Samaritan Woman that Jesus met at the well, His disciples, a Roman Guard, and the women who greeted him at the empty tomb! Along the way they will see why Jesus’ last week was so important for life and salvation. And they will also participate in an Easter Egg hunt as soon as their age group gets done with their lesson. Again the check-in process will run from 9am until 9:25am with the start of the program beginning at 9:30am. This year we are splitting the ages up by Preschool families, with parents asked to stay with their children. This class will be done by 10:15am. Then we will have a Kindergarten through 3rd Grade group that will be done by 11:45am. Again parents should plan to stay with their children if possible. Finally, we have a 4th through 6th Grade group that will finish by 12:15pm. Come join us for an amazing morning on April 1st and be sure to register your family today by visiting this link. [Bit.ly/CrossPoint23](https://bit.ly/CrossPoint23)

If you are interested in helping us with our CrossPoint event, either by being a leader for one of our groups, character for one of the stations, on the team to hide easter eggs, or even want to donate money for the purchase of candy to be placed in each egg then please call the church office or speak with Pastor Erik and Chuck Potosnyak. Thanks again for all of your support!

The next event our Sunday School Program is working hard to bring to you is our VBS which is scheduled for June 19th through the 23rd from 5:15pm to 8pm. We are offering an optional meal for families to partake in from 5:15pm to 5:45pm each evening with the official start of VBS at 5:50pm each night. As you will notice this is following last year’s schedule of starting on Monday evening and running through Friday. There will be a slightly abbreviated schedule for Friday that still starts at 5:50pm, if your family doesn’t wish to participate in the meal before. We will communicate the end time as we finalize our plans. We look forward to having your family join us for a week as we learn about being a “Keeper of the Kingdom!” God encourages us to stand guard and put on His whole armor against the plans of the devil, our world, and our own sinful flesh. He is the one who has won the victory, and we are His beloved children! We can’t wait to share God’s love with your kids! Please register your family at <https://gracewayne.myanswers.com/keepers-of-the-kingdom/>

Finally, our Sunday School and MidWeek Teachers Meeting for May will take place on May 12th at the usual time of 6:30PM. This will be more of an administrative meeting as we plan to put finishing touches on our classes for the year and look forward to our summer activities.

Respectfully,

The Sunday School Program (pastorerik@gracewayne.com)

Grace Lutheran Ladies Aid

February 8, 2023

Grace Lutheran Ladies Aid met on February 8, 2023, with 14 members and Pastor Buchhorn present. Pastor Buchhorn led the Bible study taken from the LWML Quarterly entitled “Transforming Faith: A Gift from a Faithful God.” Without faith in our Savior, our eternity would look bleak – eternally dead. However, the transforming faith in Jesus given to us by our faithful God is the assurance of eternity in heaven.

Christian Growth Chairman, Mary Lou Erxleben, shared a Valentine’s Day devotion – Every day is a Valentine’s Day with God. He who loves us every day.

Vice President, Rhonda Sebade, led the group in reading the LWML Pledge. Roll call was taken. The minutes were read and approved. The Treasurer’s report was given and filed for audit. Fauneil Bennett and Barb Greve will audit the 2022 yearly book. Correspondence consisted of a poster from Lutheran World Relief showing how many of the various projects they had received, and a notice that March 18, 2023, is National Quilting Day. Notes of thanks were also received from Camp Luther and congregational shut-ins.

Committee Reports:

Betty Witting reported on greeting card ministry.

Ruth Victor reported that sewing did not happen in January due to weather but the next sewing day will be February 23, 2023.

Mary Janke will recognize the confirmands in March.

Grace Kanitz reported she will have enough UPC labels to mail into Best Buy.

The Wayne Zone Executive Board met on January 19, 2023. The Zone Spring Workshop will be held at Trinity Lutheran, Martinsburg, NE on Tuesday, April 18, 2023. Pastor Awe from Hope Lutheran Church, South Sioux City, NE will be the speaker about his recent trips to Poland.

The National LWML Convention will be held in Milwaukee, WI on June 22-25, 2023. The zone is having difficulty finding a Young Woman Representative. A few names were given to Vice President, Rhonda Sebade, as possibilities.

There was no New Business.

Rhonda Sebade led a Mission Grant devotion for Lutheran Media Ministries, Inc. Worship Anew for \$100,000. This ministry shares the gospel message through weekly broadcasts.

The birthday song was sung for Grace Kanitz, Lorraine Johnson, Pastor Buchhorn, and Ruth Victor.

The meeting closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

Mission Council Minutes

Grace Lutheran Church

February 13, 2023

Mission Council for Grace Lutheran Church met at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 13, 2023.

The following members were present: Craig Evans, Pastor Buchhorn, Dwight Mock, Chuck Potosnyak, Megan Dubbs, Lowell Johnson, Diana Langemeier, Louise Green, Michael Temme, Ron Sebade, Pastor Erik, Pam Janke, and Michelle Ekberg

The meeting was called to order by Craig Evans.
Pastor Buchhorn led with an opening prayer and small devotion.

The minutes from January 9, 2023 were reviewed; motion to approve by Michelle; seconded by Megan. Motion carried.

Treasury Report

Louise Green presented the financial reports for January 2023. Chuck motioned to approve; Mike seconded. Motion carried.

Elder's report - Chuck Potosnyak reports,

The Board of Elders met at 7:30 p.m. on January 23, 2023. Membership losses included the funeral of Allan Wittig and Jim Mitchell. Allan Wittig died on December 17, and the funeral service was conducted at Grace on December 27, 2023. Jim Mitchell died on January 21, and the funeral service was conducted at Grace on January 26, 2023. Addilynn Hass, the infant daughter of Lynsey and Brian Hass, was baptized on February 5, 2023. Ivy Mae Harmer, infant daughter of Jaret and Nicole Harmer, was baptized on February 12, 2023. The Sunday School is planning a one-day Crosspoint VBS event scheduled for April 1, 2023. It is called "Journey to the Cross" and follows the last days of Jesus' passion. Confirmation is planned for Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023. Circuit Pastors' Meeting on January 3, 2023, was cancelled due to inclement weather. Grace hosted the Circuit Bible Institute on February 12, 2023. Pastors Alexander Blanken and Martin Hill presented "Living As The City of God Among Cities of Men." A proof of the Pictorial Directory was received and is currently being examined for any needed corrections. Pastor Buchhorn and six members from the Elders and Mission Council took part in CPR and AED training and certification at Providence Medical Center in Wayne, Nebraska on January 22, 2023. Gary Theiss from Mission Central is scheduled to present at Grace on March 12, 2023. The Lenten/Easter Schedule was approved. Lent begins on February 22, 2023 with two Ash Wednesday services being offered. There will be five Mid-week Wednesday Lenten services to follow. A Maundy Thursday Communion service will be held on April 6, 2023. Two Good Friday services will be held on April 7, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. There will be an Easter Sunrise Service at 7:00 a.m. and an Easter Festival Worship Service at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday April 9, 2023. Both services will offer Holy Communion. Pastor Erik

will be attending a Continuing Education Conference February 15-18, 2023. A thank you was extended to members who attended the CPR and AED training offered January 26, 2023 at PMC in Wayne. The AED pads were replaced with new ones in the church device for proper maintenance.

Committee Reports:

Trustee Report -The women's bathroom project has been completed. A partition was removed providing two stalls rather than three allowing more room for patrons. The heating component of the AC replacement project has been completed also. That brings the project to a final conclusion. The broiler was inspected; the company will return in the spring again to maintain. It will be further discussed at that time concerning the merits of completely shutting down the broiler during the summer and using the newly installed alternative heating during the transition months to summer and fall or the unit remain on. A roof leak from the bell tower into the sanctuary will be further evaluated. During the evaluation the lighting on the bell tower cross will also be looked at. The addition of several additional kitchen electrical outlets will be undertaken when the electrician is available.

Campus Ministry- Craig along with Pastor Erik reports five students have been in attendance regularly. Sunday night meals have been serving 10-15 students. All Sunday evening meals have been planned. The Cup of Grace has a leaky faucet and a toilet that continues to run; these items will be investigated further by Lowell. Discussion regarding use of a monetary donation on a big screen television to heighten events/sessions at the Cup of Grace will be continued at a later time.

Auxillary (Altar Guild/LWML): Pam notes the LWML continues their Bible study and monthly visits to members. Altar Guild would entertain more members if anyone is interested. Numerous chrismon ornaments need to be repaired or replaced as the old ones are wearing out. Decisions will be made on how/when the replacements will be made.

Endowment- No report given.

Memorial Fund- Louise reports from KimBerly Hansen. The memorial account has \$6,513.19. Replacing a kitchen stove is being investigated as a possible project.

Education (Sunday School, Midweek, VBS, Children Programming) – Diana reports VBS will be held June 19-23, 2023 under the direction of Kalleena Heithold and Angie Biermann. Symphony Jareske is a current Sunday School teacher and Midweek teacher. She will be student teaching and will not able to continue as a Midweek instructor or Sunday School secretary; a replacement will be needed. Confirmation will be April 2, 2023. An oral examination of the confirmands is being planned which is scheduled for the day of confirmation.

Preschool-from Megan- Rhonda Sebade has been volunteering her assistance in the T/TH class. The playground improvement project is on hold

until spring. Work still needing to be done is work on the swing fall zone. The new playscape has been received (1/5/23) and is stored until spring. Lowell will get in touch with Chad Sebade regarding ground leveling prior to installation. Windows throughout the preschool building are in need of upgrading. Ron will check on getting bids for this project. A tuition assistance application was received and needing approval for the remainder of the year. Lowell made a motion to approve; Diana seconded. Motion carried.

Stewardship/Finance: Mike noted that the 2022 Offering statements have been generated and placed in church mailboxes. Statements which were not picked up by the end of January were sent out via USPS. Weekly money counters have been doing a great job. There are five current counting teams. An additional team would be helpful. If interested please contact an Elder or Pastor.

Administrative Handbook: Louise reported January items have been completed.

Evangelism/Publicity/Community Engagement: No report given.

Fellowship/Kitchen: Ron The kitchen has had to replace some drinking glasses since a number have gone missing. One large coffee pot had to be replaced, due to a stem issue. Additional outlets are awaiting installation to better facilitate the use of roasters and crock pots.

Old Business:

Ongoing facility projects-The woman's restroom project has been completed. There are two stalls rather than three providing more room for patrons. A vent cap on the north side of the education wing is waiting on roofing crew. Repairs to the lower level bathroom ceiling will be made at that time as well (sheetrock is needing replaced from leaking). Repairs and paint touch ups in the Preschool Sunday School room are needed. Preschool sprinkler system was previously approved, and as spring approaches the company will be contacted to ensure a completion date.

Pictorial Directory Project- A proof copy has been received. Several spelling corrections of names were needed; therefore, we will request a second proof to be sent prior to final printing. The overall cost of the directory for the church is \$180.00, including various pictures and extra copies.

Continuing COVID precautions – No reports given.

District & Circuit Items- Circuit Bible institute was held at Grace Lutheran Church February 12. Thirty-nine guests from various churches attended.

New Business:

The council has been asked to investigate the cold temperatures in the upstairs bathrooms and the conference room of the education wing during the winter months.

A spring work day for Mission Council members will need to be set.

March 22, 2023 will be the date for Mission Council to serve the Lenten meal beginning at 5:15pm.

The meeting closed with the Lord's prayer.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2023 at 7 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michelle Ekberg

GRACE FAMILY BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Cole Hoffman & Isla Hoffman
- 4 Jerri Gregg, Hilbert Johs & Jeanette Swanson
- 5 Rachel Buchhorn Willroth
- 6 Lynsey Hass & Cloey Young
- 7 Kiley Koch & Lucas Ruwe
- 8 Julie Daum
- 10 Adam Endicott, Pastor Lilienkamp, Sara Martin,
Everett Schultz & Cherry Sebade
- 11 Tyler Echtenkamp
- 12 Jan Chinn
- 13 Todd Hoeman & Amara Hurlbert
- 14 Cayse Hefti, Travis Hefti & Dana Johnson
- 15 Symphony Jareske
- 16 Lori Bebee & Dreu Jensen
- 17 Rowen Anderson & Heather Reinhardt
- 18 Eric Ekberg, Andrew Foote, Cameron Foote, &
Alan Nissen
- 20 Brian Hass & Meghan Kurpgeweit
- 22 Doug Echtenkamp & Kaden Latham
- 24 Ted Baack, Amber Jensen & Nick Vanhorn
- 25 Kathryn Buchhorn & Kerry Langemeier
- 26 Ryan Lubberstedt & Irene Mock
- 27 Remi Forsyth & Regan Hefti
- 29 Fritz Temme
- 30 Twyla Lindsay
- 31 Denise Fredrickson

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS

Elder on duty

01	6:15 pm.	Josh Ruwe
05	8:00 am.	Josh Ruwe
	10:30 am.	Chuck Potosnyak
08	6:15 pm.	Mike Heithold
12	8:00 am.	Jared Heithold
	10:30 am.	Mike Heithold
15	6:15 pm.	Jared Heithold
19	8:00 am.	Payton Janke
	10:30 pm.	Doug Heithold
22	6:15 pm.	Doug Heithold
26	8:00 am.	Chuck Potosnyak
	10:30 am.	Josh Ruwe
29	6:15 pm.	Payton Janke

Lay Readers

05	8:00 am.	Hallie Heithold
	10:30 am.	Brian Kesting
12	8:00 am.	Lowell Schardt
	10:30 am.	Mary Temme
19	8:00 am.	Jeanette Swanson
	10:30 pm.	Doug Temme
26	8:00 am.	Irene Mock
	10:30 am.	Jo Junck

Acolytes

01	6:15 pm.	Graycen Trautman & Cloey Young
05	8:00 am.	Dreu Jensen & Graycen Trautman
	10:30 am.	Chase Rethwisch & Blake Kneifl
08	6:15 pm.	Lanee Rethwisch & Blake Kneifl
12	8:00 am.	Konnor Kai & Courtney Roeber
	10:30 am.	Brayden Stegemann & Cole Zach
15	6:15 pm.	Dylan Jensen & Alivia Kesting
19	8:00 am.	Emma Heithold & Maddux Heithold
	10:30 pm.	Cloey Young & Lanee Rethwisch
22	6:15 pm.	Tre'cyn Ocampo & Courtney Roeber
26	8:00 am.	Blake Kneifl & Alivia Kesting
	10:30 am.	Hunter Ruwe & Dylan Jensen
29	6:15 pm.	Emma Heithold & Maddux Heithold

Greeters

05	8:00 am.	LeRoy & Carol Robbert
	10:30 am.	Jerry & Loree Echtenkamp
12	8:00 am.	Jesse & Cassie Heithold
	10:30 am.	Justin & Megan Anderson
19	8:00 am.	Gene & Janet Casey
	10:30 pm.	Doug & Mary Temme
26	8:00 am.	Leroy & Carol Robbert
	10:30 am.	Chad & Pam Janke

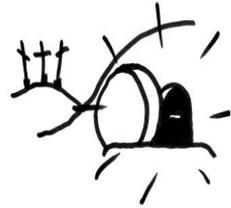
Upcoming Events and Special Services



Palm Sunday: April 2 we will observe Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week with special worship services. There will be a Palm processional for children at the beginning of each service. Children are invited to gather in the east entryway and bring in palms in remembrance of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. On Palm Sunday we also will celebrate the **Rite of Confirmation** for our Junior Confirmands. This important milestone for these young people is also a day to remember our own vows of faithfulness to God and ask that He help us abide in faith and hope.

Maundy Thursday: April 6 at 7:00 p.m. we will gather in remembrance of our Lord Jesus Christ on the anniversary of the night of his betrayal and celebrate the meal He gave us for the forgiveness of sins. *"The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ?" 1Cor. 10:16*

Good Friday: April 7 at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. On this solemn day we remember Jesus' death for us. At 9:00 a.m. we will pause for a time of reflection on the words of Jesus from the Cross. At 7:00 p.m. we will conclude the day with a Service of Darkness. Join us for this time to contemplate Christ's crucifixion and its meaning for us.



Holy Saturday: April 8 There will be **no family communion** hour.

Easter Sunday: April 9 at 7:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. We will celebrate the day of resurrection with a joyous Easter worship celebration. The angels' ancient affirmation "He is risen!" still is our reason for rejoicing. Following our 7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service an Easter Breakfast hosted by our youth group will be served. Both services will include a celebration of the Lord's Supper. *"Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise."* Luke 24:5-7

Plan now to celebrate with us and invite someone to join you.

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March 2023 Grace Lutheran Church — Activity Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Grace Lutheran Church 402-375-1905 www.gracewayne.com</p>			<p>1 9a Bible Study 4:30p Bell Choir 5:15p Lenten Meal 6:15p Lenten Worship 7p Midweek 8:15p H.S. Class</p>	2	3	<p>4 4p Family Communion</p>
<p>5 8a Worship 9:15a Sun. School & B.C. 10:30a Worship 7:30p Sun. Night Dinner</p>	<p>6 3:30p Kinship Communion 6p Choir 7:30 pm. Elders</p>	7	<p>8 9a Bible Study 2p Ladies Aid 4:30p Bell Choir 5:15p Lenten Meal 6:15 p Lenten Worship 7p Midweek</p>	9	10	<p>11 4p Family Communion Spring Forward Time Change  Spring Forward</p>
<p>12 Mission Central Presentation 8a Worship/Comm 9:15a Sun. School & B.C. 10:30a Worship/Comm 7:30p Sun. Night Dinner</p>	<p>13 6p Choir</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Spring Pastor's Conference</p>	14	<p>15 9a Bible Study 4:30p Bell Choir 5:15p Lenten Meal 6:15p Lenten Worship 7p Midweek 8:15p H.S. Class</p>	16	17 	<p>18 4p Family Communion</p>
<p>19 8a Worship 9:15a Sun. School & B.C. 10:30a Worship 7:30 pm. Sun. Night Dinner</p>	<p>20 6p Choir 7p Mission Council</p>	21	<p>22 9a Bible Study 4:30p Bell Choir 5:15p Lenten Meal 6:15p Lenten Worship 7p Midweek</p>	23	24	<p>25 Youth Trip to Ponca 4p Family Communion</p>
<p>26 8a Worship/Comm 9:15a Sun. School & B.C. 10:30a Worship/Comm 7:30 pm. Sun. Night Dinner</p>	<p>27 6p Choir</p>	28	<p>29 9a Bible Study 4:30p Bell Choir 5:15p Lenten Meal 6:15p Lenten Worship 7p Midweek 8:15p H.S. Class</p>	30	31	<p>April 1 Cross Point and Egg Hunt</p>