



Sent Into the Harvest!

I am writing this right after we had the Sunday gospel of Jesus saying to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers... See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and... say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’” Jesus is saying leading a spiritual life begins by focusing on his harvest. He also

says not to bother with a lot of baggage. A biblical scholar once learned about traveling light. He writes: “After two years of college and turning 19, I joined the Navy. I sat in a barber chair at Great Lakes Naval Training Station and got my military haircut.” At this point and time he had no hair and only a footlocker of clothes. Then he was issued his uniforms and was introduced to Navy life. That’s when the fun began. First, he was sent to fetch some left-handed wrenches. How foolish does a new recruit look by asking for those? Then he discovered how toothbrushes can be used to scrub the cracks in the barracks floors. It took him awhile, but he started catching on. In order to really follow orders, he had to get into a new mindset and give up his old ways. Beloved in Christ, the call from Jesus works in much the same way. Matthew 10 shows how Jesus began to train his followers in discipleship. He tells them they won’t need much. And that’s usually hard for us today—we often let all of our stuff distract us from staying focused on the harvest. Distractions were the topic of a gathering of grandmothers in Wisconsin recently. They were lamenting that their children did not attend church. The pastor invited them to reframe their question. So, the women came up with this question: “What is God up to in the lives of our children and grandchildren, and how can we join in? Their children responded that God is most present at mealtime and bedtime prayers. So the women made “prayer bears” with pockets that held personalized prayers for their grandchildren. They also created mealtime conversation cards, each with a Bible passage and questions to facilitate faith-filled discussions. When the pandemic hit, it would’ve been easy to give up but they didn’t. Some of the women joined dinners virtually to engage their kids and grandkids in conversations about Jesus, some for the first time. They built relationships of faith and realized that those conversations might help encourage their loved ones to get to church on Sunday mornings.

See you in church!
><> **Pastor Kevin**

VBS

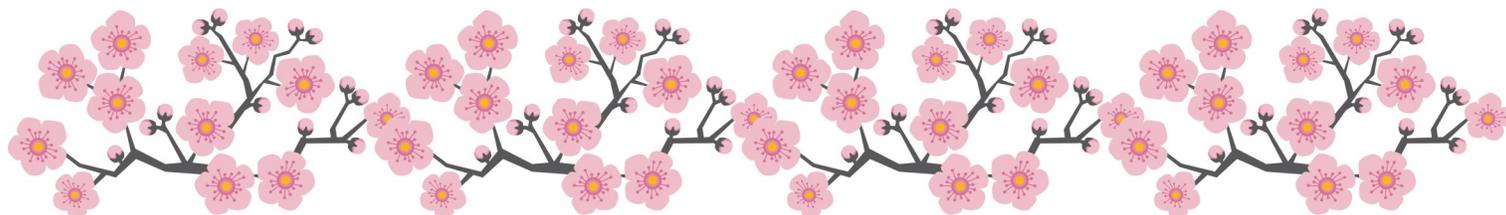


Serving Grace July 2023

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE ~ 9:00 AM

Position	July 2	July 9	July 16	July 23	July 30
Greeters (2)	Nikkila Family	Norma Tesch			
Ushers (4)	Doug and Brandy Nikkila	Al Weidenbach and Brandon Caneva	Clay Lange and David Lyons	Dale & Mary Ellen Kreutz	
Assisting Ministers	Kim Webber	Garland Dobler	JD Williams	Kim Webber	Tim Patmore
Lesson Reader (1)	Paulette Meland				Blake Williams
Serving Communion	Bonnie Lange				Debbie Patmore
*Coffee Hosts (3)	Pastor Carla Nelson and Bonnie Lange				
Sunday Acolytes	Willow Nikkila and Arina Haugen	Holland and Isla Rohde	Alex Weingartner and Quintin Kelly	Lily Wilson and Jenika Leonhardt	Mason McGillivray and Lane Duprel

*Coffee Hosts– please bring 4 dozen cookies each, help set up, serve and clean up. Worship helper instructions are located near the greeters' welcome table.



July Serving Grace Members

Adam, Laura
 Aldren, Kelly and Jennifer
 Bertolotto, Jerry and Ann
 Carlson, Randy and Petrowske,
 Denise
 DeKraai, Jeff and Darla
 Engebretson, Dave and Jackie
 Gibson, David & Lydia
 Gutsche, Janet
 Hultman, Rick
 Malloux, Kathleen
 Meyer, Gary and Liane

Morgan, Joan
 Nikkila, Doug and Brandy
 Petersen, Kimberly
 Potts, Tim and Marcia
 Reder, Hope
 Rush, Grant
 Selting, Robert and Carmen
 Tesch, Norma
 Tysdal, Mike and Darleen
 Ward, Jeff and Shellie
 Williams, J.D. and Michelle

Serving Grace August 2023

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE ~ 9:00 AM

Serving Grace sign up board is located near the entrance of the church.
If your name is listed below, please sign up for August before July 24th.

Position	Aug 6	Aug 13	Aug 20	Aug 27
Greeters (2)				
Ushers (4)		Al Weidenbach and Brandon Caneva	Bonnie Lange and David Lyons	Dale & Mary Ellen Kreutz
Assisting Ministers	Tim Patmore	Tim Patmore	Garland Dobler	Tim Potts
Lesson Reader (1)	Tim Patmore			
Serving Communion				
*Coffee Hosts (3)	Rally Breakfast No Coffee Hour	Darlene Mullins, Diana Bauer and Janet Johnson	Mick & Connie Hurlburt and Gene & Audrey Konold	
Sunday Acolytes	Jolei Avery	Tenlee and Talen Koontz	Madeline and Olivia Vliem	Pate Gunderson and Brinley Heikes

Aldren, Emma
Bisson, Paul and Mary
Blakeman, Jenna and Jesse
Calhoon, David and Webber, Kim
Casteel, Clayton and Janice
Collins, Sharon
Gabriel, Larry
Hurlburt, Mick and Connie
Kaufman, Bob and Marie
Kopren, Darlyne
Kotab, Gordon and Marlene
Kotab, Christian
Kreutz, Dale and Mary Ellen

Kreutz, Vivian
Kvanvig, Lynette
McPherson, Elizabeth and Luke
Myers, Tim and Misty
Ritten, Marie
Ruby, Dick
Schaefer, Lorayne
Schummer, Kenya
Shuck, Denise
White, Lyla
Workentine, Doris
Zeiner, Dan and Ramona



PROJECTOR OPERATORS IN JULY

1st Sunday: Bob Tesch
2nd Sunday: Deb Haivala
3rd Sunday: Michelle Williams
4th Sunday: Bob Tesch
5th Sunday: Michelle Williams

ALTAR GUILD IN JULY

Connie Hurlburt and Shawn Mechling

2023 YEAR TO DATE

OFFERINGS

\$91,369.74

EXPENSES

\$134,912.54

BUDGET

\$127,937.52



JUNE ATTENDANCE

Sundays

June 4 - 78

June 11 - 106

June 18 - 126

June 25 - 97



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Cindy Milek, Ted Sigman, George Lisko, Ardean Erickson, Pastor Will Olsen, Sharon Rank, Judy Hauge, and Marjorie Jutting.

On-going prayers: Ed Pickar, Elmer Preszler, Jody Wilke, Dale Kreutz, Morgan Myers, Ramona Hultman, Tori Tetrault, Bill Molitor, Ally Tedder, Marcia Potts, Larry Schemmel, Robert Johnson, Joy Conway, Dawn McCarthy, Eleanora Miller, our homebound members and those serving in the military.

(Please notify the office of changes)



Deadline to submit items for the August newsletter is *Monday, July 24th.*

Please send your newsletter items to Keri at gracelutheran@rushmore.com. Let us send you an email with a link to our newsletter when it's posted to our website.

If you are interested, please send your email address to the office at: gracelutheran@rushmore.com or call Keri at 605-347-2713.

Did you know... Our website contains the weekly worship bulletins, monthly newsletter, sermon broadcast, monthly calendar, Council and Committee minutes, and much more. For a printed copy, see the info rack at the entrance of the church.

Check it out at: www.sturgisglc.org.

See special events on Facebook.



Has your address or phone number changed?

Please let Keri know at 605-347-2713 or e-mail us at gracelutheran@rushmore.com.

Welcome to the GLC Family

Jeannie Humble

Sponsor: Sue Whitford
Pastor Carla Nelson



Grace Lutheran Church Outdoor Worship Service

Join us for Outdoor Worship Service, Family
Fun, Games and Picnic, Grace Lutheran Lawn,

Sunday August 20, 2023

5:30 pm - Picnic, 6:30 pm - Worship

Bring a Friend!!

*Grace Lutheran Church 1061 Sherman St. Sturgis, SD 605-347-2713



Grace Lutheran Fall Bazaar

1061 Sherman Street, Sturgis

Saturday, October 21, 2023

8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Call Connie Hurlburt at 605-347-1174 or email
conniehurlburt@yahoo.com to reserve a \$25 table or to
donate items for the country Store.

**Our Bazaar supports local home businesses, makers,
bakers, and artists who would like to display their
crafted, handmade, and unique products.**

July 2

Jeremiah 28:5-9
Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18
Romans 6:12-23
Matthew 10:40-42



July 23

Isaiah 44:6-8
Psalm 86:11-17
Romans 8:12-25
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

July 9

Zechariah 9:9-12
Psalm 145:8-14
Romans 7:15-25a
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

July 16

Isaiah 55:10-13
Psalm 65:[1-8]9-13
Romans 8:1-11
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

July 30

1 Kings 3:5-12
Psalm 119:129-136
Romans 8:26-39
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

9 AM SUNDAY WORSHIP RADIO BROADCAST SPONSORS

The radio broadcast calendar for 2023 is posted on the bulletin board in the entryway of the church. You are invited to place your name on the date you wish to sponsor. You may also call the office 347-2713 to reserve a date. The cost per broadcast is \$65. Partial sponsorships are invited and encouraged.

July 2 - Dalza Satrang Memorial

July 9 - Dennis Chowen- 58th anniversary

July 16 - Diana Bauer

July 23 - Gordon and Marlene Kotab, in honor of their 48th wedding anniversary and Christian's birthday

July 30 -

**YARD WORK
HELP
NEEDED**



It is that time of the year again when we are in need of volunteers to help mow and weed-eat the church lawn weekly. Please sign up in the church entrance or call the church office 347-2713.

Thank You!

Thank You to
Christian & Chris
Pankratz, Brandy, Willow
& Douglas Nikkila and
David Lyons for mowing
the church lawn in
May and June.

Khiana Tamalee Jaedah Williams Oviatt

Parents: Cara Oviatt

Sponsors: Megan & Nathan Oviatt & Annie Phillips





Funeral & Committal Services

June 4 - Eva Sigman

June 14 - Gene Vinkenberg

June 16 - Marjorie Lyons

June 16 - Dale Pauley

Offering Information

Send your offering to PO Box 577, Sturgis, SD 57785,
or drop off at the church in the Cross box outside the Office

To Use Venmo:

1. Scan the QR code with your smartphone.
2. Login or setup your account (first time only).
3. Make your gift.



The Red Bucket Ministry For the 3rd Quarter Believers Fellowship

Leave a donation in the Red Bucket located in the back of the church and your donation will help Believers Fellowship rebuild their church which burned down in May.



1 Kasey Shoun

11 Mary Ellen Kreutz

22 Audrey Konold

2 Ethan Dschaak
Gavin Shoun

13 Kyle Hencke

23 Caleb Chapman
Christian Kotab

3 Laine Karrels
Katina Tucker
Celena Sjomeling

15 Karmen Aga
John Lovald
JoLei Avery

24 Amanda Kelly

27 Russell Lisko

6 Kerrigan Meland
Matteus Cummings

16 Elnor Hertel

28 Kent Kreutz
Tim Potts

7 Roger Ivers

20 Clayton Casteel

30 Mary Christen

9 Jamie Dietz
Cassidee McPherson

21 Bill Rossow

31 Paul Bisson



1 Jeff & Darla DeKraai
Gary & Barbara Reimer

16 David & Lydia Gibson

24 Lynn & Karmen Aga

7 Thomas & Kelly Magdanz Jr.

18 Daniel & Dadra Avery

26 Gordon & Marlene Kotab
Kelly & Jennifer Aldren

9 Gary & Liane Meyer

21 Joe & Lindsey Duprel

30 Marlowe & Helen Kinkade

12 Rodney & Shannon Heikes

23 Peyton and Courtney Bahe

Grace Lutheran News and Events

July 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						
2 9:00 am Worship (HC) 10:00 am Coffee Hour	3 OFFICE CLOSED	4 OFFICE CLOSED 	5 8:30 am Quilting	6 5:30 pm Council Meeting	7	8
9 9:00 am Worship (HC) 10:00 am Coffee Hour	10 Pastor's Day Off	11 9:30 am GLCW Meeting	12 8:30 am Quilting 5 pm Camp Meeting	13 9 am Education Meeting		
16 9:00 am Worship (HC) 10:00 am Coffee Hour	17 Pastor's Day Off	18 5:30 pm Worship Meeting	19 8:30 am Quilting	20	21	22
23 9:00 am Worship (HC) 10:00 am Coffee Hour	24 Pastor's Day Off Newsletter Deadline	25	26 8:30 am Quilting	27	28	29
<div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> ← GLC KIDS TO OUTLAW RANCH CAMP → </div>						
30 9:00 am Worship (HC) 10:00 am Coffee Hour	31 Pastor's Day Off					