

Grace Lutheran Church Newsletter

When God Calls...



It is with sadness coupled with great hope that I write the following: Please accept this letter as notice of my resignation from my call as pastor of Grace Lutheran Church. My last week is tentatively Aug. 29.

It has been my privilege to serve as pastor of Grace for nearly five years. And, I have many fond memories I will carry with me.

Do know that I will help in any way possible to transition the church in this Spirit-led endeavor.

People ask, what will you do now? First and foremost is R&R ... I consider this as a semi-retirement plan. Then, I will continue to do what I love most – ministry, just in a reduced capacity.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you. May God bless you as you share God's love and Word with the community of Sturgis. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at glcpastor01@gmail.com or 605.695.4074.

The Apostle Paul writes,

"We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose." (Romans 8:28)

Trust, the Spirit will intercede for our good. Christ's peace,

Pastor Kris Garlick

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Serving Grace July 2021 SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE ~ 9:00 AM

Position	July 4	July 11	July 18	July 25
Greeters (2)	Gary Meyer	Norma Tesch		
Ushers (2)	Al Weidenbach and Brandon Caneva	Arvid and Paulette Meland	Bonnie Lange and David Lyons	Dale & Mary Ellen Kreutz
Assisting Ministers				
Lesson Reader (1)		Jeff DeKraai		Jeff DeKraai
Serving Communion (2)				Kerri Kinzell and Ann Bertolotto
*Coffee Hosts (3)			Jerry and Ann Bertolotto	
Sunday Acolytes	Ella Atyeo and Dalyn Dschaak	Dalyn Dschaak and Jacob Avery	Faith King and Dalyn Dschaak	Blake and Carter Williams

*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 Alexander, Carla and Enninga, Roland Bertolotto, Jerry and Ann Carlson, Randy and Petrowske, Denise Collins, Todd and Nancy DeKraai, Jeff and Darla Engebretson, Dave and Jackie Gutsche, Janet Henderickson, Mike and Colleen Hertol, Elnor Hultman, Ramona Hultman, Rick Kaiser, Linda Kinzell, Kerri Meyer, Gary and Liane Morgan, Joan Morgan, Dan Nylen, Kathleen Potts, Tim and Marcia Printz, Audrey Rank, Bud and Sharon Reder, Hope Rush, Grant Selting, Robert and Carmen Smith, Glynda Tesch, Norma Tysdal, Mike and Darleen Ward, Jeff and Shellie White, Betty Williams, J.D. and Michelle

Serving Grace August 2021

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, <u>please</u> sign up for August before July 19.

Position	August 1	August 8	August 15	August 22	August 29
Greeters (2)					
Ushers (2)	Al Weidenbach and Brandon Caneva	Arvid and Paulette Meland	Bonnie Lange and David Lyons	Dale & Mary Ellen Kreutz	
Assisting Ministers					
Lesson Reader (1)					
*Coffee Hosts (3)					
Sunday Acolytes	Ella Atyeo and Max Vliem	Jacob Avery and Carter Williams	Dalyn Dschaak and Faith King	Blake and Carter Williams	Max Vliem and Ella Atyeo

Adam, Ronald Aldren, Emma Bisson, Paul and Mary Blakeman, Jenna and Jesse Calhoon, David and Webber, Kim Casteel, Clayton and Janice Christen, Mary Collins, Sharon Erickson, Carl Gabriel, Larry Hall, Clint and Judi Hurlburt, Mick and Connie Kaufman, Bob and Marie Klein, LeRoy and Cindy 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 Pletan, Pam Ritten, Marie Ruby, Dick Schaefer, Lorayne Schummer, Kenya Shuck, Denise Vilhauer, Dean and Candis White, Lyla Workentine, Don and Doris Zeiner, Dan and Ramona



PROJECTOR OPERATORS

1st Sunday: 2nd Sunday: Deb Haivala 3rd Sunday: Debbie Patmore 4th Sunday: Michelle Williams 5th Sunday: Michelle Williams

ALTAR GUILD July– Glynda Smith & Shawn Mechling



CAMPFIRE STORIES DARCIE BIEN, CAMPAIGN CO-CHAIR

"It's difficult to put into words what happens to you when you spend a week at Bible camp. I've experienced Bible camp in many ways: from the time I was 10 years old and began going to summer camp (each year from 5th-10th grades), through working at camp as summer staff in college, to taking my family and then sending my own kids to Lutherans Outdoors in SD camps. Yet, each time upon returning home there was no possible way to describe what had just happened to - and in - me. I just couldn't put into words the power of the Holy Spirit.

One of my favorite Bible Camp experiences was in 2004, when several families from Ascension in Brookings, SD, decided to take our families to Family Camp at Outlaw Ranch. Eight Ascension families (including 20 children) made the trek across South Dakota and descended on Outlaw for a wonderful week of relationship building, faith-building, horseback riding, kayaking, hiking, eating, and singing. The bonds that were formed that week still exist today. Many of those families are our closest friends now, and I truly believe it is because of our shared faith experiences starting with that week at Outlaw Ranch.

The Holy Spirit is at work at Lutherans Outdoors camps,



lighting or re-igniting sparks of faith through the music, the campfires, the counselors, the food, the caring conversations, the Bible studies, the adventures, the creation. Camping ministry provides an entry point for conversations about religion, the church, and most importantly Jesus Christ that do not naturally occur in other settings. There are very few places where this type of environment exists. And I'm so thankful that it does. Won't you join me in supporting Lutherans Outdoors in South Dakota this year with a gift to the "Keep the Campfires Burning" appeal? With your support, families and campers will be able to experience Christ's love in community and creation for many years into the future." - Darcie Bien, Campaign Co-Chair

The Keep the Campfires Burning Campaign was launched to ensure the ministry of Lutherans Outdoors in response to the financial challenges that were created by the Covid-19 pandemic. The campaign seeks to raise \$1.2 million to cover all organizational operating needs and resultant revenue losses from the pandemic closure.

So far, over **\$400,000** has been raised of the campaign's \$1.2 million goal! We need your help to Keep the Campfires Burning! Learn more and support the campaign by visiting Keep The Campfires Burning.



We want to thank:

Connie Hurlburt Dawn Geppert Eileen & John Raforth Gloria Wiedmann Lynette Kvanvig Bonnie Lange Marcia Potts Mary Ellen Kreutz Mel & Coleen Hanes Robin Baldwin Sheri Boy Dan & Mona Zeiner

For making calls to congregation members during Covid. Words cannot describe how truly grateful we are to have amazing people serve this church, especially during these unprecedented times. You are God sent, and we thank you for your kindness.



Deadline to submit items for the August newsletter is *Monday, July 19th*.

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 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 347-2713 or e-mail us at gracelutheran@rushmore.com. <u>July 4</u> Ezekiel 2:1-5 Psalm 123 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 Mark 6:1-13

<u>July 11</u> Amos 7:7-15 Psalm 85:8-13 Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:14-29



<u>July 18</u> Jeremiah 23:1-6 Psalm 23 Ephesians 2:11-22 Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

<u>July 25</u> 2 Kings 4:42-44 Psalm 145:10-18 Ephesians 3:14-21 John 6:1-21



9 AM SUNDAY WORSHIP RADIO BROADCAST SPONSORS

The radio broadcast calendar for 2021 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 4 -July 11 -

- July 18 Diana Bauer, in memory of Punk Bauer.
- July 25 To celebrate Marlene & Gordon Kotab's 46th anniversary & Christians birthday.



Rally Breakfast Notice

The Grace Lutheran Church Women have put the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally Breakfast on hold for 2021. The women of the church are planning other Grace Lutheran fundraising events throughout the year in order to continue their support of the numerous missions of Grace, local charities, and global giving opportunities. They look forward to fellowship with Grace members beginning in the fall.



2021 YEAR TO DATE <u>OFFERINGS</u> \$76,000,66

EXPENSES \$93,431.63

BUDGET \$111,881.54

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JUNE ATTENDANCE

<u>Sundays</u> June 6 - 65 June 13 - 65 June 20 *-* 64 June 27 - 95

Funerals & Committals

June 10 - Ellen Louise Schick

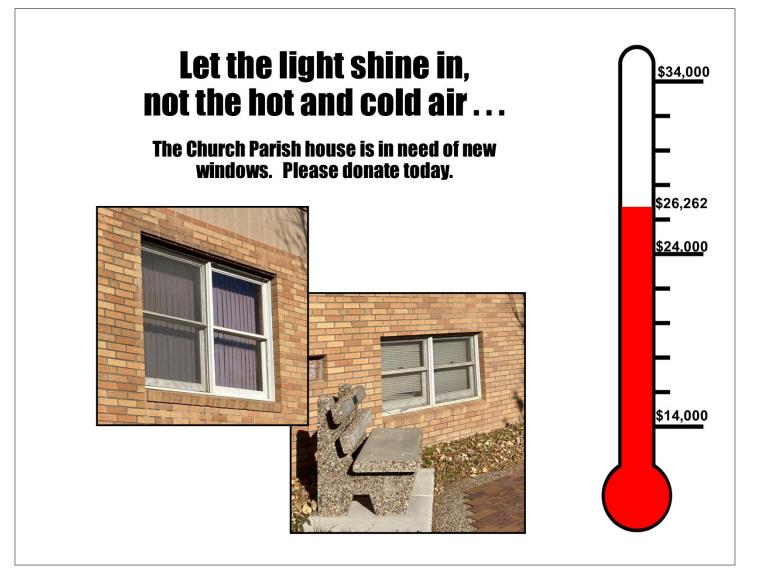
June 16 - Dale Stevens Committal

June 18 - Shirley Peters Committal

Prayer Requests

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Ed Pickar, Marcia Potts, Marjorie Jutting, Vernon Ross, Katie Neiderwerder, Dode Lee, Eleanora Miller, Don Workentine, Dennis Johnson and the families of Paul Carroll, Stacey Frank and Jeff Makf.

<u>**On-going prayers:**</u> Verna DeKraai, Audrey Printz, Richard Graves, Melody Jensen, Sandra Keiter, Gregor McFarland, our homebound members and those serving in the military. (*Notify the office of changes*)





The Red Bucket Ministry For 3rd Quarter

Lutherans Outdoors of SD "Keep The Campfires Burning"

Leave a donation in the Red Bucket located in the back of the church and your donation will help LOSD camps across the state.

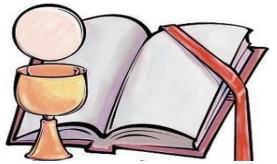
Offering Information

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).
- (IIISt unie Only).
- 3. Make your gift.





Assisting Ministers Needed

If you would like to join the Worship team as an assisting minister please contact the church office at 347-2713.



It is that time of the year again where we are in need of volunteers to help mow and weed-eat the church lawn weekly. If you are interested, please call the church office 347-2713. Families are encouraged to signup.



The Church Library is now OPEN!!

The library has a new look as well as new books, which include children's, young adult, fiction, non-fiction, and inspirational choices. There are



also DVD's, audio books and CD's available. If you're looking for enriching study materials or historical reference and research books, the library has those too. Donations that will enhance this collection and are of the moral standards of the church are being accepted. So stop in and check it out!!



Effective **July 1st**, the Kiwanis Food Pantry, 801 6th Street, will be open on Wednesdays and Fridays and will be closed on Mondays. Hours of operation will remain the same – 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.



Immediate Opening for a Children's Ministry Coordinator

The right candidate should be outgoing and self-motivated, have a passion for children's ministry, good communication and organizational skills, and a firm understanding of (or willingness to learn) Christian/Lutheran theology.

This position is a part-time. Salary depends on experience. Please send resume to glcpastor01@gmail.com, c/o Children's Ministry Coordinator. For a full job description please contact the Grace Lutheran church office at 605-347-2713.



- 1 Audrey Printz Kasey Shoun
- 2 Ethan Dschaak Gavin Shoun
- 3 Lainee Karrels Katina Tucker Celena Sjomeling
- 6 Kerrigan Meland Matteus Cummings Linda Johnson
- 7 Roger Ivers
- 8 Al Smith

- 9 Cassidee McPherson
- 11 Mary Ellen Kreutz Michelle Williams
- 13 Kyle Hencke
- 15 Karmen Aga John Lovald JoLei Avery
- 16 Elnor Hertel
- 19 Diana Bauer
- 20 Clayton Casteel
- 21 Bill Rossow

- 22 Pam Pletan Audrey Konold
- 23 Caleb Chapman Christian Kotab
- 24 Amanda Kelly
- 27 Meverette Shipley
- 28 Kent Kreutz Tim Potts
- 30 Mary Christen Eva Sigman
- 31 Paul Bisson



- 1 Jeff & Darla DeKraai Gary & Barbara Reimer
- 2 Seth & Katie Niederwerder
- 9 Gary & Liane Meyer
- 12 Rodney & Shannon Heikes
- 17 Lonnie & Patricia Weidenbach

- 18 Daniel & Dadra Avery
- 21 Joe & Lindsey Duprel
- 24 Lynn & Karmen Aga
- 26 Gordon & Marlene Kotab Kelly & Jennifer Aldren
- 30 Marlowe & Helen Kinkade