



Painting Beautiful Art

One of the benefits of Consecration Sunday, besides helping us respond to God's grace by our own spiritual growth and stepping up our giving, is that new people will be attracted to our ministry and mission. Getting excited about giving back to God is catchy!

So, that means this is a great time to invite your neighbor, friend, or relative who might be needing a new church home. And don't worry about getting stuck when someone responds to your invitation to "come to Grace." They might ask, "What do I do next?" Is there a "step one" that comes to mind? There is! Invite them to attend our Bible study on Thursday mornings at church or Saturday mornings at Uncle Louie's cafe.

Another great response is to tell them to "Go home and read the Sermon on the Mount — chapters 5-7 of Matthew — then try to live your life according to what Jesus said there." If they ask for another step, suggest reading the whole gospel of Luke (or any of the gospels) and do the same thing. "Try to put what you learn about Jesus into practice in your own life." Did you notice in that advice that you are helping them learn the primary meaning of the word "Christian" as a "follower of Jesus" or "imitator of Christ"? In order to really follow Jesus it's good to know about him.

There's a syndicated radio program called *Intelligence for Your Life* hosted by John Tesh that puts out little nuggets of information that give the show its name. They are shorthand "how-to" summaries on all sorts of topics, such as "Four ways to have more joy in your life," "Three ways to make Valentine's Day special this year," "Five ways to get ahead at work" and many more like that. Tesh has a staff that spends hours scouring books, magazines, and websites for the show.

In a sense, telling a new Christian to go home and read the Sermon on the Mount or the book of Luke can be like an "intelligence for your life" piece. But if the person really does it — if we read those Scriptures with the idea that we want to apply what we are learning about Jesus to our own lives, we will be painting beautiful art on the pages of the book that is our life.

Love them like Jesus,
><> Pastor Kevin

Serving Grace September 2023

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE ~ 9:00 AM

Position	Oct 1	Oct 8	Oct 15	Oct 22	Oct 29
Greeters (2)	Dorothy Bostrom and Norma Tesch	Mary Ellen & Dale Kreutz	Boone & Caron Collins	Lydia and David Gibson	Confirmands
Ushers (4)	Dschaak and Monahan Families	Al Weidenbach and Brandon Caneva	Bonnie Lange and David Lyons	Dale & Mary Ellen Kreutz	Ken and Jean Beug
Assisting Ministers	Tim Patmore	Kim Webber	JD Williams	Tim Patmore	Garland Dobler
Lesson Reader (1)	Kimberly Petersen	Paul Haedt	Dick Ruby	Gary Meyer	Confirmands
Serving Communion	Brandy Nikkila	Bonnie Lange	Char Wilson	Darlene Mullins	Robin Baldwin
*Coffee Hosts (3)	Dschaak and Monahan Families	Tim and Marcia Potts	Consecration Sunday Reception	Sue Whitford, Karen Hansen, Sharon Collins and Jeannie Humble	Education Committee Confirmation Reception
Sunday Acolytes	Danny Tedder and Levi McPherson	Kwynnlee Meland and Willow Nikkila	Torin Monahan and Christian Pankratz	Mason and Blain McGillivray	Lily and Landry Wilson

*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.

~ WEDNESDAY NIGHT WORSHIP SERVICE ~

Position	October 4	October 11	October 18	October 25
*WNL Meal Hosts	Tim and Debbie Patmore	Tim and Debbie Patmore	Tim and Debbie Patmore	Tim and Debbie Patmore
Wednesday Night Acolytes	Lily and Landry Wilson	Braxten Bahe and Quintin Kelly	Jett and Jenika Leonhardt	Khiana Williams Oviatt and Jolei Avery

October Serving Grace Members

Aga, Karel
 Bunkowske, Matt & Carrie
 Cammack, Calvin & Kristin
 Chowen, Dennis
 Erion, Linda
 Jewell, Dick and JoAnn
 Johnson, Janet
 Jorenson, Barney and Dawn
 Karrels, Amanda

Lange, Bonnie
 McFarland, Ardiith
 Mortenson, Einar and Gail
 Mullins, Darlene
 Pankratz, Chris and Melissa
 Pickar, Ed and Ranae
 Preszler, Elmer
 Raffevold, Casey and Heidi
 Rasmuson, Dean

Schulz, Darlene
 Shoun, Kasey and Amanda
 Sjomeling, Jason & Celena
 Stubstad, Carol
 Walker, Paulette
 Whitford, Sue
 Wilson, Pete and Mikayla

Serving Grace November 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 November before October 23rd.

Position	November 5	November 12	November 19	November 26
Greeters (1)	Nikkila Family	Little, Mechling and Magdanz Families		
Ushers (4)		Al Weidenbach and Brandon Caneva	Bonnie Lange and David Lyons	Dale & Mary Ellen Kreutz
Assisting Ministers	Tim Patmore	Tim Potts	Kim Webber	Tim Patmore
Lesson Reader (1)				
Serving Communion	Bonnie Lange	Diana Bauer	Brandy Nikkila	
*Coffee Hosts (3)		Little, Mechling and Magdanz Families	No Coffee Hour Senior Thanksgiving Meal	
Sunday Acolytes	Braxten Bahe and Quintin Kelly	Jett and Jenika Leonhardt	Khiana Williams Oviatt and Jolei Avery	Tenlee and Talen Koontz

Avery, Dan and Dadra
Bauer, Diane
Berg, Randy and Connie
Brunner, Mildred
Caneva, Brandon
Hencke, Bryan and Tammy
Kelly, Matt and Amanda
Koontz, Chris and Shawn
Lange, Clay and Cinthia

Little, Rick and Kris
Magdanz, Thomas and Kelly
McGillivray, Brandon and Maranda
Mechling, Ruth
Mechling, Shawn
Nikkila, Doug and Brandy
Nohava, Randy and Brenda
Rossow, Bill and Myrna

Swenby, Don and Cynthia
Weimer, Jan
Walker (Weisz), Chaska
Weisz, Richard and Cheryl
Weitzel, Larry and Ann
Wiedmann, Ron and Gloria
Williams, Larry



PROJECTOR OPERATORS IN OCTOBER

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

ALTAR GUILD IN OCTOBER

Ann Bertolotto and Garland Dobler

Grace Lutheran Fall Bazaar

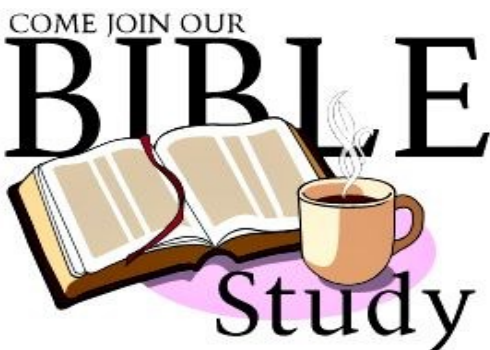
1061 Sherman Street, Sturgis

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

Please bring donated items for the Grace Country Store
either Friday evening before 7:00 p.m.
or Saturday morning before 8:00 a.m.



Come and join our weekly
Bible Study on Mark -
Thursdays
at 9:30 am
in the Rose Room.
All are welcome.



Men's Prayer Breakfast

Saturdays at 8am
at Uncle Louie's
Diner in Sturgis.
All men are invited to attend.

2023 YEAR TO DATE

OFFERINGS

\$149,411.94

EXPENSES

\$196,370.66

BUDGET

\$191,806.28



SEPTEMBER ATTENDANCE

Sundays

Sept 3 - 95

Sept 10 - 129

Sept 17 - 116

Sept 24 - 129

Wednesdays

Sept 13 - 35

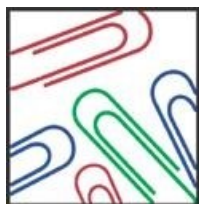
Sept 20 - 44

Sept 27 - 43



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Judy Siegford, Ron Monson, Elmer Preszler, Paulette Walker, Teena Sigman, Kelly Collins, and Cindy Milek.

On-going prayers: Sharon Rank, Ed Pickar, Jody Wilke, Dale Kreutz, Morgan Myers, Ramona Hultman, 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)*



FROM THE
CHURCH
OFFICE

Deadline to submit items for the November newsletter is *Monday, October 23rd.*

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.



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Sturgis Golden K Annual Fall Fund Raiser

**All you can eat Hobo Stew!
Sunday October 22nd 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
at the Sturgis Community Center
All proceeds benefit our local youth projects!
All tickets \$10.00**



STURGIS ALLIANCE OF CHURCHES

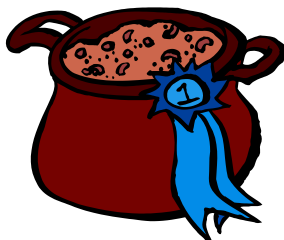
GREAT CHILI COOKOFF!!!!!!!!!!!!

MONDAY OCTOBER 23, 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM

VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE CHILI
WITH YOUR GOODWILL OFFERING DONATIONS.
ASSIST LOCAL FAMILIES IN CRISIS WITH

*FOOD UTILITIES TEMPORARY
HOUSING TRANSPORTATION*

WHERE? STURGIS COMMUNITY CENTER
CHILI, DESSERTS, DRINKS & COFFEE





THE WORLD FAMOUS GLENN MILLER ORCHESTRA

SWINGS INTO STURGIS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2023, 7:00 P.M.

STURGIS COMMUNITY CENTER THEATER

**PRESENTED IN COOPERATION WITH
THE STURGIS AREA ARTS COUNCIL**

**CALL MARLENE (605-347-1375) TO RESERVE A SEAT
OR PURCHASE TICKETS AT THE DOOR**

\$25—CASH OR CHECK ONLY

FALL/WINTER 2023/2024 PLANNED GENEROSITY PROMOS FOR BULLETIN/NEWSLETTER October 8 – March 10

(NOTE: Most of these pieces are not date-specific and may be used whenever time and space permit.)



OCTOBER 8: *Skip the Tax!* If you're over 73, there is a way to take your required minimum distribution (RMD), skip the tax and make a meaningful gift to support our ministries at *name of church/ministry* - the IRA Charitable Rollover. This strategy will also reduce your annual income without the need to itemize deductions. (Everyone over age 70 1/2 is eligible to make a tax-free gift from an IRA, even if you're not yet receiving RMDs.) Contact Kathy McHenry, Director of Lutheran Planned Generosity of South Dakota, for information about this and more tax-efficient ideas. **Phone: 605.274.5030**
Website: www.lpgsd.org Email: kmchenry@sdsynod.org

OCTOBER 15: *National Estate Planning Awareness Week* More than half of Americans, do not have an estate plan in place. Overlooking this critical component of financial wellness can create hardships for your family and reduce opportunities to create a legacy for those you love and the ministries you care about. A personalized estate plan can help to maintain your own financial security and ensure the proper transfer of assets upon your death. For your free estate planning workbook, contact Kathy McHenry at Lutheran Planned Generosity of SD, 605.274.5030 or kmchenry@sdsynod.org.

OCTOBER 22: *Best laid plans!* Changes in the tax code have thrown a wrench into all of our plans for our children to establish an inherited IRA at our death and avoid a large tax bill. If this was part of your plan, a review and some updates are in order. Contact Kathy McHenry, Executive Director of Lutheran Planned Generosity of SD, at 605.274.5030 or kmchenry@sdsynod.org for information about alternatives that allow you to spread the gift of your IRA over your children's lifetimes **and** create a legacy gift to support *insert name of your congregation/endowment here*.

OCTOBER 29: *No estate plan? That's just scary!* If you've ignored decisions about your family and possessions after you're gone, the State of South Dakota will make them for you. Lutheran Planned Generosity provides estate planning guidance at no cost or obligation – visit our website at www.lpgsd.org or call (605)274-5030 today for information about how you can create a will or trust that creates a happy ending to your life story.

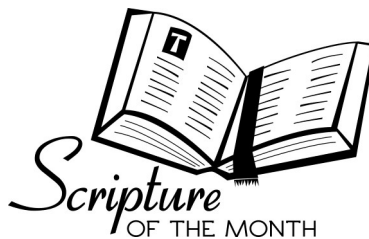
your life can make a difference

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October 1
Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32
Psalm 25:1-9
Philippians 2:1-13
Matthew 21:23-32



October 22
Isaiah 45:1-7
Psalm 96:1-9[10-13]
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
Matthew 22:15-22

October 8
Isaiah 5:1-7
Psalm 80:7-15
Philippians 3:4b-14
Matthew 21:33-46

October 15
Isaiah 25:1-9
Psalm 23
Philippians 4:1-9
Matthew 22:1-14

October 29
Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18
Psalm 1
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8
Matthew 22:34-46

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.

- Oct 1 - In honor of Pastor Kevin and Carla's 26th wedding anniversary.
- Oct 8 - Rick Hultman, in honor of Neil & Ramona Hultman's 69th wedding anniversary that was on September 6th.
- Oct 15 - In honor of Kent and Heather Kreutz's wedding anniversary.
- Oct 22 - Bonnie Lange and Diana Glover, in memory of their parents, Alvin (Buster) and Linda Babb.
- Oct 29 -

Offering Information

Send your offering to PO Box 577,
Sturgis, SD 57785,
or drop off at the church Office
Mon - Fri 8 am - 12 pm / 1 pm - 5 pm

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 4th Quarter

Camp Scholarships for all 5th Grade Students

Leave a donation
in the Red Bucket
located in the back
of the church and
your donation will
help send all of our
5th grade students
to summer camp at
Outlaw Ranch.





October

BIRTHDAYS

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| 1 Lynn Aga | 15 Janis Anderson
Logan Young
Shawn Koontz | 24 Coral Nikkila |
| 2 Al Gunderson | | 25 John Wilcox |
| 5 Leif Halverson
Eric Pickar
Bryar Blakeman | 16 Brynn Dobler
Roger Meyer | 26 Randy Carlson |
| 10 Ruth Paulson | 17 Myrna Rossow
Austin Atyeo
David Lyons | 28 Larry Gabriel
Gordon Kotab |
| 12 John Bisson
Candy McKay | 22 Callie Miller
Eugene Konold
Shawn Pudwill | 29 Christian Avery
Karstyn Garcia |
| 13 Mary Ann Stroschein | | 30 Alex Kaufman
Carson Pankratz
Barbara Reimer
Jayde Raffevold |



October

ANNIVERSARIES

- | | |
|------------------------------|--|
| 3 Allan & Pam Weidenbach | 11 Brian & Aimee Jost |
| 4 Matthew & Carrie Bunkowske | 14 Kent & Heather Kreutz
Jennifer & Michelle Keeton |
| 6 Matt & Amanda Kelly | 30 Todd & Nancy Collins |

Grace Lutheran News and Events

October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 9:00 am Worship (HC) with Pastor Dwayne Hunzeker 10:00 am Coffee Hour 10:00 am Journey with Jesus 10:30 Choir</p>	<p>2 Pastor's Day Off</p> 	<p>3</p> <p>5:30 pm Mutual Ministry Team Mtg.</p>	<p>4 8:30 am Quilting</p> <p>5 pm Kids Alive 5 pm Bible Study 5:30 pm WNL Supper 6:30 pm HS Youth 6:30 pm WNL Service</p>	<p>5 9:30 am Bible Study</p> <p>5:30 pm Council Meeting</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 8 am Men's Prayer Breakfast</p>
<p>8 9:00 am Worship (HC) 10:00 am Coffee Hour 10:00 am Journey with Jesus 10:30 Choir</p>	<p>9 Pastor's Day Off</p>	<p>10</p> <p>6:30 pm GLCW Exec. Mtg. 7 pm GLCW Mtg.</p>	<p>11 8:30 am Quilting</p> <p>5 pm Kids Alive 5 pm Bible Study 5:30 pm WNL Supper 6:30 pm HS Youth 6:30 pm WNL Service</p>	<p>12 9:30 am Bible Study</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 8 am Men's Prayer Breakfast</p>
<p>15 Consecration Sunday 9:00 am Worship (HC) with Brad Scott 10:00 am Consecration Reception 10:00 am Journey with Jesus 10:30 Choir</p>	<p>16 Pastor's Day Off</p>	<p>17</p> <p>5:30 pm Worship Meeting</p>	<p>18 8:30 am Quilting</p> <p>5 pm Kids Alive 5 pm Bible Study 5:30 pm WNL Supper 6:30 pm HS Youth 6:30 pm WNL Service</p>	<p>19 9:30 am Bible Study</p>	<p>20</p> 	<p>21 8 am Men's Prayer Breakfast</p> <p>8am - 3pm GLCW Fall Bazaar</p>
<p>22 9:00 am Worship (HC) 10:00 am Coffee Hour 10:00 am Journey with Jesus 10:30 Choir</p>	<p>23 Pastor's Day Off</p> <p>Newsletter Deadline</p>	<p>24 GLCW Circles</p> <p>1:30 pm Martha/Rachel Circle</p> <p>5 pm Mary Circle</p>	<p>25 8:30 am Quilting</p> <p>5 pm Kids Alive 5 pm Bible Study 5:30 pm WNL Supper 6:30 pm HS Youth 6:30 pm WNL Service</p>	<p>26 9:30 am Bible Study</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 8 am Men's Prayer Breakfast</p>
<p>29 Confirmation Sunday 9:00 am Worship (HC) 10:00 am Confirmation Reception 10:00 am Journey with Jesus 10:30 Choir</p> 	<p>30 Pastor's Day Off</p>	<p>31</p> 				