



*From
the
Pastor's*



Desk

Treasures of the Transformed Life

Are you satisfied with your life? Really satisfied?

It's often said that Christians have every reason in the world to be optimistic. We know that God has promised in Romans 8:28, "to work all things for our good because we love God."

And yet, if we were really honest about it, we'd admit that life can still be a challenge. Days can still seem ho-hum, rather than the awesome adventure we secretly long for.

So here's the exciting news you've been waiting for: Grace Lutheran Church has embarked on a stewardship campaign that can literally change the way you feel about prayer, church attendance, acts of service, and even financial giving. By the time it's all said and done, you'll be able to see your relationship with God in a whole new way, confidently understanding how to "live all the days of your life," per the well-known Irish blessing.

So where do you come in? First of all, start praying about how you will answer the call. The call will come on October 15th when we gather in worship for Consecration Sunday. It will help us focus on percentage giving—giving back to God a percentage of our income. We will learn about biblical giving and it is designed to help us learn to satisfy our spiritual thirst to draw closer to Jesus and his "well of living water" You'll be given the opportunity to learn how this can improve your life in what God is calling us to—faithfulness! You will hear an inspired message that Sunday from our guest leader, Mr. Brad Scott from Spearfish who has recently filled the pulpit at Grace doing pulpit supply.

After we complete our Consecration Sunday and, everyone including adults, youth and children have completed an *Estimate of Giving* card, you will be asked to prayerfully follow through on your commitment. That's when you'll have a chance to put your faith into action.

Please don't miss this special opportunity to grow in faith and stretch your spirit. Make plans now to attend Grace every this Sunday but especially at Sunday's worship service on October 15, so you can learn how Jesus calls us to treasure a *Transformed Life* in his name.

And through doing this you will know the transformed life that results will bless you now and forever!

Love them like Jesus,
><> Pastor Kevin

Serving Grace September 2023

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE ~ 9:00 AM

Position	Sept 3	Sept 10	Sept 17	Sept 24
Greeters (1)	Hope Reder, Darlene Mullins and Janet Johnson	Linda Erion and Vicki Monahan	Russell and Patsy Lisko	Lynelle Chapman
Ushers (4)	Doug and Brandy Nikkila	Al Weidenbach and Brandon Caneva	Clay Lange and David Lyons	Dale & Mary Ellen Kreutz
Assisting Ministers	JD Williams	Tim Pots	Tim Patmore	Garland Dobler
Lesson Reader (1)	Darlene Kopren	Bonnie Lange	Carolyn Ruff	Kent Kreutz
Serving Communion	Char Wilson	Darlene Mullins	Dennis Chowen	Tessa Gunderson
*Coffee Hosts (3)	John & Eileen Raforth and Diana Bauer	Dawn Geppert and Mary Ellen Kreutz	Brandy Nikkila and Ardith McFarland	Kent & Heather Kreutz and Ruth Smit
Sunday Acolytes	Kwynnlee and Kerrigan Meland	Torin Monahan and Levi McPherson	Willow Nikkila and Arina Haugen	

*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	September 13	September 20	September 27
*WNL Meal Hosts	Tim and Debbie Patmore	Tim and Debbie Patmore	Tim and Debbie Patmore
Wednesday Night Acolytes			

September Serving Grace Members

Aga, Lynn and Karmen
Anderson, Kevin and Janis
Boy, Sandra
Chapman, Dan and Lynelle
Christians, Eldon and Kathy
Crawford, Larry and Bonnie
Dschaak, Ethan and Shanna
Duprel, Lindsey
Greslin, Don and Judy

Halverson, David & Shirley
Halverson, Sonja
Hayes, DeWayne
Hemmah, Allen, and Linda
Jost, Brian and Aimee
Keeton, Russ and Joanne
Konold, Gene and Audrey
Kreutz, Kent and Heather
McKay, Candy

Monahan, San and Jennifer
Monahan, Vicki
Pudwill, Shawn and Danilee
Rock, Brice
Shryock, Nick and Michelle
Smit, Ruth
Vliem, Jeremy and Cindy

Serving Grace October 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 October before September 18th.

Position	Oct 1	Oct 8	Oct 15	Oct 22	Oct 29
Greeters (2)	Dorothy Bostrom	Mary Ellen & Dale Kreutz	Boone & Caron Collins		
Ushers (4)		Al Weidenbach and Brandon Caneva	Clay Lange and David Lyons	Dale & Mary Ellen Kreutz	Ken and Jean Beug
Assisting Ministers					
Lesson Reader (1)					
Serving Communion	Brandy Nikkila	Bonnie Lange	Char Wilson		
*Coffee Hosts (3)			Consecration Sunday Reception	Sue Whitford, Karen Hansen, Sharon Collins and Jeannie Humble	Education Committee Confirmation Reception
Sunday Acolytes					

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

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

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



PROJECTOR OPERATORS IN SEPTEMBER

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

ALTAR GUILD IN SEPTEMBER

Ruth Mechling and Kelly Magdanz



“God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday



Come and join our weekly Bible Study on Mark, returning Thursday, September 14, at 9:30 am in the Rose Room. All are welcome.



Men’s Prayer Breakfast will be returning Saturday, September 16, at 8am at Uncle Louie’s restaurant in Sturgis. All men are invited to attend.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS THIS FALL RETURN SEPT. 13, 2023 @ 5PM



5 p.m.
PreK - 4th grade



5 p.m.
5th - 6th grade



5 p.m.
7th - 8th grade



5:30 p.m.
All are Welcome



6:30 p.m.
All are Welcome



6:30 p.m.
9th - 12th grade

Please complete a Registration Form on back or at www.sturgisglc.org and return it to the office or bring it with you Wednesday September 13

Grace Lutheran Church
1061 Sherman Street, PO Box 577
Sturgis, SD 57785 (605-347-2713)
Church Website: www.sturgisglc.org

YOUTH MINISTRIES CONSENT AND RELEASE FORM 2023-2024
Please print & return completed form to church or email gracelutheran@rushmore.com

_____ has my permission to participate in all activities of Grace Lutheran Church.
(Student's name)

I understand all events will have adult supervision. In consideration of the benefits to be derived from these activities, I hereby voluntarily waive any claim against Grace Lutheran Church, the sponsors, and the owner/or driver furnishing transportation to the event. I further agree to direct my son/daughter to conform to the fullest with the directions and instructions of the sponsors in charge. This consent and release is in effect until I give Grace Lutheran Church written notice to the contrary.

ADDRESS INFORMATION:

Parent's names: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone 1: _____ Phone 2: _____ Phone 3: _____

E-mail: _____ Student's Birthdate: _____

Grade child is in: _____

Does she/he have any allergies or allergic reaction to any medication or food? ___yes___no. If yes, explain

Approved Persons to pick up your child: _____

Name of family Physician: _____ Phone: _____

PHOTO RELEASE AGREEMENT: please check one statement below. Names would not be released.

____ I authorize Grace Lutheran Church to post pictures of my minor student on the church website.

____ I DO NOT authorize Grace Lutheran Church to post pictures of my minor student on the church website.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____ Date _____

2023 YEAR TO DATE

OFFERINGS

\$130,061.18

EXPENSES

\$175,889.58

BUDGET

\$170,583.36



AUGUST ATTENDANCE

Sundays

Aug 6 - 90

Aug 13 - 74

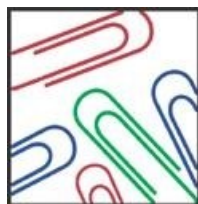
Aug 20 - 107

Aug 27 - 121



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

On-going prayers: Sharon Rank, Ed Pickar, 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)*



FROM THE
CHURCH
OFFICE

Deadline to submit items for the October newsletter is *Monday, September 18th.*

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.



OUTLAW RANCH VOLKSMARCH

Outlaw Ranch along with the Black Hills Volkssport Club is sponsoring a volksmarch at Outlaw Ranch east of Custer on Saturday, September 2nd. Start time will be from 8:30 until 11:30 with finish by 2:30. There are two distances of 5k (3.1 miles) and 10k (6.2 miles). All walkers will be required to pay a \$3 registration fee. The new trails have been improved over the last year and this walk gives walkers a chance to see more of Outlaw's property. For more information you can contact Pastor Duane Neugebauer at 303-489-9313 or donman1948@gmail.com.



Journey with Jesus

Children 4 years old – 5th grade Immediately following worship until 10:45 am.

Program kicks off Sept. 17

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.

Bear Butte Conference Women's Retreat

“The Spiritual Way”

Friday-Saturday

Oct. 6-7

Outlaw Ranch

Pre-registration deadline—Sept. 26

Non-refundable registration of \$5 +

Lodge—\$67

Day attendee fee-\$10

Barn—\$63

Fri. meal-\$12.50

Cabin—\$56.25

Sat. breakfast-\$9

(pay lodging at retreat) Sat. lunch-\$10.50

Registration beginning

on Fri. at 4:00 p.m. or Sat. at 8:00 a.m.

Hosted by Woyatan Lutheran Church

Questions? - Joan DeWall 307-290-0867

**Registration forms are on the back or in the church
entrance on the bulletin board**



Registration Form for the Fall Retreat Oct. 6th and 7th

To register, please send this form by September 26, 2023, to

Joan DeWall, 649 E Colorado Blvd, Spearfish, SD 57783.

Cell Phone 307.290.0867, if you have any questions.

NAME: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Church: _____

CHECK the choice below, which you prefer:

Registration Fee(required): \$5.00 _____

Lodge Accommodations: \$67.00 _____

Barn Accommodations: \$63.00 _____

Cabin Accommodations: \$56.25 _____

Day Attendee fee: \$10.00 plus Reg. fee \$5.00 _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED WITH THIS FORM: \$ _____

Supper \$12.50 _____ Breakfast \$9.00 _____ Lunch \$10.50 _____

Name of Roommate\s _____

Check if Handicap accommodations needed _____

Check if you have Food Allergies _____ If so, What: _____

September 3

Jeremiah 15:15-21
Psalm 26:1-8
Romans 12:9-21
Matthew 16:21-28

September 10

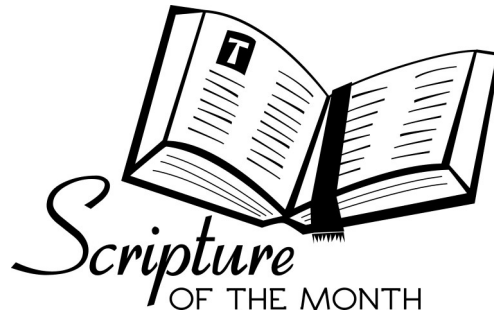
Ezekiel 33:7-11
Psalm 119:33-40
Romans 13:8-14
Matthew 18:15-20

September 17

Genesis 50:15-21
Psalm 103:[1-7]8-13
Romans 14:1-12
Matthew 18:21-35

September 24

Jonah 3:10- -4:11
Psalm 145:1-8
Philippians 1:21-30
Matthew 20:1-16



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.

Sept 3 - Dennis Chowen, in memory of Roxie Chowen.

Sept 10 - Dennis Chowen, in loving memory of Roxie Chowen's birthday.

Sept 17 - Ardith McFarland, in memory of Gregor's birthday.

Sept 24 - Dan and Mona Zeiner, in loving memory of Mark Donaldson.

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 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 Church rebuild their church that burned down in May.



Thank You!

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to go to Outlaw Ranch! It was really fun. Thank you for helping pay for camp. ~Lily Meunier

My favorite part of camp was riding horses and making new friends!! Thanks to everyone at Grace Lutheran for helping to make this experience possible!! ~Khiana Williams Oviatt

I really enjoyed everything about camp! I love horses so getting to ride and be around the horses was one of the best parts about camp! We played games, hiked, slept in tents, sang songs around the campfire and learned more about Jesus. This was my first time attending a camp away from my family and I really hope to do it again next summer. I was sad to leave at the end of the week, it went by so fast! Thank you to everyone that helped send us to camp! It is something I will always remember and the best part of my summer! ~Kwynnlee Meland

Thank you Grace Lutheran church for giving me the opportunity to go to Outlaw Ranch this summer. It was a lot of fun! Thanks, Maddy Vliem

Thank you all so much for helping me go to camp. My favorite part was riding horses and making friends. I had a blast! ~Pate Gunderson

Dear Grace Lutheran Church, I am extremely thankful for the opportunity that you gave me to attend Outlaw Ranch. Although everything was fun my favorite part was horse back riding, meeting new people, and reconnecting with one of my best friends. I would also like to thank Pastor Carla and Pastor Kevin for being part of this experience with me. This was my first time ever experiencing a church camp and I can't wait to go again next year. ~Tenlee Koontz





September

BIRTHDAYS

2 Ted Wanner
Pamela Weidenbach

3 Koby Dobler
Lincoln Wilson

4 Carroll Erickson
Madison Kreuzt
Elizabeth McPherson

7 Faith King

9 Lily Wilson
Holland Rohde

10 Breanna Paul

11 Caron Collins
Michelle Williams

13 Bonnie Crawford

14 Casey Kreuzt
Janet Johnson

15 Mikayla Wilson

16 Kathy Christians
Rye Gunderson
Julie King

19 Emma Aldren
Annie Calhoon
Paulette Walker
Beckem Pudwill

21 Kelsey Patmore
Colt Duprel

22 Randy Berg
John Raforth
Kenya Schummer
Ramona Scherer
Jason Sjomeling

23 Sandra Boy
Danilee Pudwill
Larry Weitzel

24 Richard Weisz

26 Marie Ritten

28 Ann Weitzel
Darleen Tysdal

29 Russell Keeton

30 D'Metrie Aga



September

ANNIVERSARIES

1 Robert & Janet Johnson

2 Kevin & Janis Anderson

3 Robert & Carmen Selting

5 Neil & Ramona Hultman
Richard & Cheryl Weisz
Larry & Jennifer Gabriel

6 Tim & Marcia Potts
Lennie & Katina Tucker

12 Trevor & Amber Potts

20 Al & Tessa Gunderson

21 Randy & Connie Berg

27 Brandon & Maranda McGillivray

28 Pat & Robin Baldwin

Grace Lutheran News and Events

September 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 8:30 am Volksmarch Outlaw Ranch
3 9:00 am Worship (HC) 10:00 am Coffee Hour	4 Pastor's Day Off OFFICE CLOSED 	5	6 8:30 am Quilting 3:45 pm Education Mtg.	7 5:30 pm Council Meeting	8	9
10 9:00 am Worship (HC) 10:00 am Coffee Hour	11 Pastor's Day Off	12 6 pm GLCW Mtg.	13 8:30 am Quilting WNL RETURNS 5 pm Kids Alive 5:30 pm WNL Supper 6:30 pm HS Youth 6:30 pm WNL Service	14 9:30 am Bible Study	15 	16 8 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
17 9:00 am Worship (HC) 10:00 am Coffee Hour 10:00 am Journey with Jesus Returns	18 Pastor's Day Off Newsletter Deadline	19 5:30 pm Worship Meeting	20 8:30 am Quilting 5 pm Kids Alive 5:30 pm WNL Supper 6:30 pm HS Youth 6:30 pm WNL Service	21 9:30 am Bible Study 7 pm "Lift the World" Concert	22	23 8 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
24 9:00 am Worship (HC) 10:00 am Coffee Hour 10:00 am Journey with Jesus	25 Pastor's Day Off	26 GLCW Circles 1:30 pm Martha/ Rachel Circle 5 pm Mary Circle	27 8:30 am Quilting 5 pm Kids Alive 5:30 pm WNL Supper 6:30 pm HS Youth 6:30 pm WNL Service	28 9:30 am Bible Study	29	30 8 am Men's Prayer Breakfast 