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Coffee with Council

October 12 | Between Services | PBH

Have you wondered what Church Council does? Have you speculated on why it doesn't do more? Have you thought you could do better? **This Sunday!** Learn about the latest projects, share your joys and concerns, talk about the year ahead, ask questions, and get to know the folks who represent you.

Pictures into Memories

October 19 | Between Services

Join us for the second installment of Picture into Memories. In the first session, people shared pictures with Joel Lorentzen and Paul Lewellan. The group then talked about how to convert those picture into stories that could be passed on to others. Even if you could not attend the first session, grab a picture and join us on October 19. Lots of memories; never enough time.



Special Reception for Pastor Stephanie Sunday, October 26 | Between Services

You are invited to a celebration of the 10th Anniversary of Pastor Stephanie's Ordination! Council members and the Personnel Committee will host a reception in her honor on Sunday, October 26, between Services. They will have

a basket for cards and notes to mark this special occasion in the life of a Minister of Word & Sacrament.



Trunk or Treat!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31 - 5PM SET UP

Join us for the 19th Annual Trunk or Treat at Grace! We will gather at 5pm to decorate our trunks. Candy & treats will be handed out until they are all gone. If you plan to attend please let Hollie Swain know (563-514-4022 or k75hollie@gmail.com). The past several years we have treated about 200+ children. Contact Hollie if you are unsure about the weather.

All Saints Sunday ~ Bring a Photo

On All Saints Sunday, November 2, we'd like to have a display of our loved ones who have passed. Please bring a photo of your Saint for the collection.

Pray & Play Helpers

Our wonderful helpers at Pray & Play are vital to the program's success. You can volunteer for as little or as long a time as you'd like, and helpers are needed both on-site with the kids or behind the scenes (like preparing snacks/lunch, wiping tables, clean up, etc.). Our next dates for Pray & Play are October 13, November 7, and December 1, and Pastor Kirsten can answer any questions.



- October 5 & 12 Quilt Display
- October 12 Coffee with Council
- October 13 Pray & Play
- October 19 Pictures into Memories
- October 26 Reception for Pr. Stephanie
- October 26 IFF Party
- October 31 Trunk or Treat
- November 2 All Saints Sunday
- November 4 Polling Location at Grace
- November 7 Pray & Play
- November 9 Stewardship Sunday

It's Food & Fellowship!

Sunday, October 26 | 3:00pm₩

Come enjoy fellowship around the fire pit at the home of Joel & Ann Lorentzen (3 College Hill Ct, Rock Island) as we celebrate Fall and Halloween, hosted by the Lorentzen's and the Meier's. Please **RSVP by October 17** to Ann 563-349-0208 or Sally 309-292-0281. We always have a great time visiting and enjoying good food and friends. We'd love to have you join us!

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POW Journals of Ray Walton

Saturday, November 15 9:00am in Pat Bell Hall

The Grace Page Turners group invites you to a special presentation: Mike Walton will be presenting the Prisoner of War Journals of Ray Walton from Mike's father's experiences as a POW during World War II. Please join us. If you have any questions, call Carol Keller 563-340-9013. There are couple of copies of the journals in the church office to check out.



Sunday, October 12

8:30am Traditional Worship & Livestream

9:30am Coffee with Council 10:30am Contemporary Worship

Monday, October 13 Pray & Play 8:30am-4:00pm

10:30am Staff Meeting 4:30pm Centering Prayer

Tuesday, October 14

9:00am Quilters & Naomi Circle 1:30pm Social Ministry Meeting

2:30pm Outreach & Welcome Meeting

6:00pm CYF Meeting

7:00pm Worship & Music Meeting

Wednesday, October 15

9:00am Quilters

12:00pm Men's Lunch Group

3:30pm Nominating Committee Meeting

5:30pm **Grief Support Group** 6:00pm Confirmation @ St. James

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 16

11:00am Story of Paul Bible Study

Friday, October 17

6:00pm Load Quilts for Ingathering

Saturday, October 18

8:30am Page Turners

1:30pm Praise Band Rehearsal

Sunday, October 19

8:30am Traditional Worship & Livestream 9:30am Pictures to Remember - PBH 10:30am Contemporary Worship

Monday, October 20

10:30am Staff Meeting 4:30pm Centering Prayer

6:00pm Sweet Arts Club - Kitchen

Tuesday, October 21

10:00am Pastor's Text Study - PBH 7:00pm The Anxious Generation Study

Wednesday, October 22

12:00pm Men's Lunch Group 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

The Anxious Generation Book Study

Tuesday, 7:00pm (next meeting Oct 21) | Led by Pastor Kirsten

The Anxious Generation studies the epidemic of teen mental illness, including why children need play and independent exploration to mature into thriving adults. Anyone is welcome at anytime - this study is open to the community, so please invite your friends and family! Pr. Kirsten can answer any questions.

Story of Paul Bible Study

Thursdays, 11:00am | Led by Pastor Stephanie

Please contact the office at office@gracewelcomesyou.org or 563-322-0769 if you are interested. There is a participant book (\$15) with only a few pages of reading for each session. Pr. Stephanie can answer any questions.

Naomi Circle

Next Meeting: October 14, 9:00am in the narthex *Note Date Change This year we will be studying the Parables, and in October we will help the guilters pack up quilts for LWR followed by meeting and study. All are welcome to join us! Contact Joyce Marinaccio 563-343-3404 or gsgopher50@gmail.com.

Service Day Quilters

Next Meeting Dates: October 14 & 15 | 9am-Noon

Anyone can join to help at church or at home. Questions? Contact Gloria Lange 563-271-1542 langejg1@msn.com or Kathy Miller kathyk1679@aol.com 563-676-0914.

Grief Support Group

Next Meeting: October 15 Grief Support Group meets the first and third Wednesdays month 5:30pm in Pat Bell Hall. Anyone is welcome at anytime, and please be assured our conversations are kept in confidence. Questions? Contact: Cindy Lee 563-370-5386.

Page Turners Book Group

Next Meeting: October 18 We meet at 8:30am the third Saturday each month at different locations for breakfast, book discussion, and great fellowship (reading the book is not required). October Book: Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy: Four Women Undercover in the Civil War by Karen Abbott Host: TBD Location: TBD

Centering Prayer

Mondays 4:30pm via Zoom In the Christian tradition, Contemplative Prayer is considered to be the pure gift of God - an the opening of mind and heart. Cheryl Kritsch 563-343-0135 facilitates the group which meets via Zoom every Monday (except holidays) at 4:30pm (link emailed in the Weekly Update).

Men's Lunch

The Men's Lunch meets at noon every Wednesday at Vanderveer Park (when the weather turns colder, we'll meet at church). Bring a lunch from home or pick something up from a restaurant. Contact Dennis Boehme at boehmed@aol.com or 563-320-2661 to be added to the email list.



Habitat Habitat for Humanity 2025 for Humanity® Saturday, November 1 9am-Noon or Noon-3pm

Help with framing, drywall, siding, and much more for families who dream of owning a home. No prior building experience needed. Register to attend at bit.ly/HabitatWorkDay or talk with Pastor Kirsten.

Scan for the current Weekly **Update email**



Following Jesus' teachings, Grace seeks to educate, lead, and partner with all people through discipleship to worship, service, and faith celebration.

18th Sunday After Pentecost

October 12, 2025 8:30am

Grace Lutheran Church, Davenport, Iowa Pastor Stephanie Wood † Pastor Kirsten Lee

Welcome! We are so happy you have joined us! Congregational response in bold.

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Dorian Echo Fantasy......Jan Sweelinck

Announcements

Call to Worship

Heart & Voice Choir Wisdom Begins with the Fear of the Lord

Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper. **Amen.** Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. (Silence is kept for reflection.)

Merciful and loving God,

we are your stubborn people. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of † Jesus, your sins are forgiven! **Amen.**

- Dearest Jesus, at your word
 we have come again to hear you;
 let our thoughts and hearts be stirred
 and in glowing faith be near you
 as the promises here given
 draw us wholly up to heaven.
- 2 All our knowledge, sense, and sight lie in deepest darkness shrouded till your Spirit breaks the night, filling us with light unclouded.
 All good thoughts and all good living come but by your gracious giving.
- Radiance of God's glory bright,
 Light of light from God proceeding,
 Jesus, send your blessed light;
 help our hearing, speaking, heeding,
 that our prayers and songs may please you,
 as with grateful hearts we praise you.
- 4 Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, praise to you and adoration!
 Grant us what we need the most: all your gospel's consolation while we here on earth await you, till in heav'n with praise we greet you.

Text: Tobias Clausnitzer, 1619-1684, sts. 1-3; Gesangbuch, Berlin, 1707, st. 4; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, adapt.

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Kyrie

Kyrie Eleison, On Our World and On Our Way ELW p. 184



Hymn of Praise

This is the Feast...... ELW p. 187



Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Almighty and most merciful God,

your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Heart & Voice Choir Anthem

An Invitation to Communion: O Come, Ye People of God David Lantz III

This bread we break as the body of Christ; it brings us closer to him. And as we share with quiet prayer, we feel his presence again.

O come, ye people of God and share the joyful feast; The bread, the wine, a love divine. O come, ye people of God, O come, ye people of God.

This cup we bless as the blood of him who came to save and to die.

And as we sup from this cup, we are of one heart and mind.

O come, ye people of God and share the joyful feast; The bread, the wine, a love divine. O come, ye people of God, O come, ye people of God.

Children's Message

First Reading | **2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c**

Naaman, a Syrian general, suffers from leprosy. In this passage Elisha miraculously cures his illness, but only after Naaman realizes, with the help of his servants, that he also needs healing for his pride. This foreign general then acknowledges the sovereignty of the God of Israel.

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of

Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease."

When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So, Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So, he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 111

Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are your works, O Lord, pondered by all who delight in them.

Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever.

You cause your wonders to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion.

You give food to those who fear you, remembering forever your covenant.

You have shown your people the power of your works in giving them the lands of the nations.

The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice; all of your precepts are sure. **They stand fast forever and ever,**

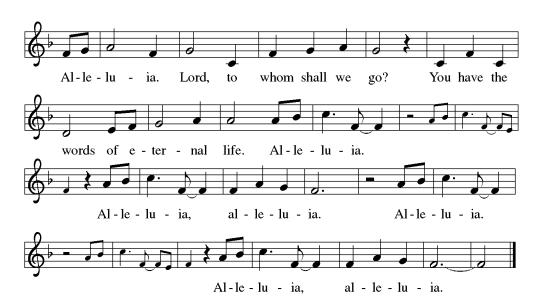
because they are done in truth and equity.

You sent redemption to your people and commanded your covenant forever; holy and awesome is your name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who practice this have a good understanding. God's praise endures forever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Lord, to Whom Shall We Go?..... ELW p. 188



Gospel Reading | Luke 17:11-19

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus' mission includes making people clean again. Unexpectedly, a Samaritan healed of leprosy becomes a model for those who would praise and worship God and give thanks for God's mercy.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Hymn	of the	Day
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Lord, Be Glorified..... ELW 744

- 1 In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in my life, Lord, be glorified today.
- In our song, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in our song, Lord, be glorified today.
- In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; in your church, Lord, be glorified today.
- In your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In your world, Lord, be glorified today.

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Apostles' Creed

Let us proclaim our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate. was crucified, died, and was buried: he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints. the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Blessing of the Quilts

God, our neighbors around the world are in need of hope. Your Spirit is a mighty force, your whispers of hope bring light into the world. Open our hearts and hands to see your presence in our neighborhoods and across the world.

Jesus, help us speak words of hope to our neighbors.

God, we give you thanks for the pieces of fabric, thread, sewing machines, and the items collected for the kits. May their presence be a sign of hope, may these guilts wrap our neighbors in unending love, and may these kits offer dignity and healing.

Jesus, help us reach out in hope to our neighbors.

God, we give thanks for all the hands that fashioned hope into a guilt, for the hands that collected and sorted, for the hands that continually open wider so that no one feels left out.

Jesus, help us see hope in our neighbors.

God, we ask you to guide the staff and partners at LWR. May their voices and hands be a beacon of hope. Keep them safe. Keep them filled with your strength and perseverance.

Jesus, help us share a taste of hope with our neighbors.

Let us pray. God, be with our neighbors who will receive these gifts. May they be wrapped in love, may they taste your goodness, may they touch signs of your hope. Whether or not we know their names or where they live, they are our neighbors, our brothers and sisters in Christ. We pray all this in the name of Jesus, the One who is our hope. **Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Let us pray. Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation. God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Peace

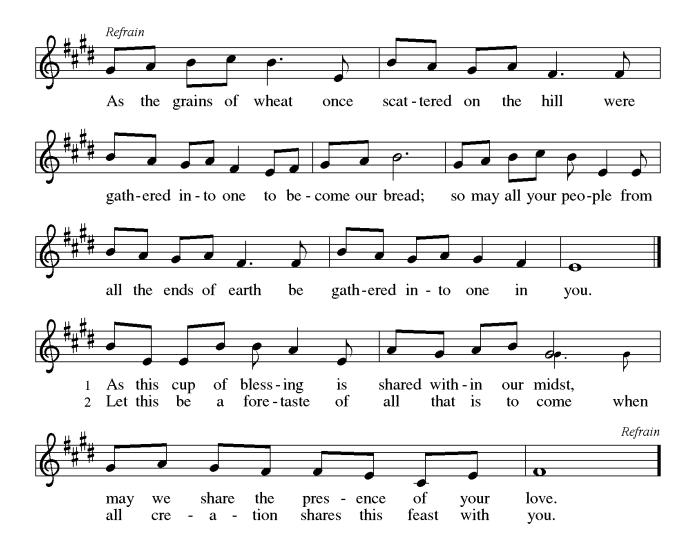
The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Call to Offering

God calls us to plant and build, heal and seek the well-being of all. As we share our gifts with the church and community, may we recognize that sharing our talents, treasures, and time benefits all of creation.

Offering Hymn

As the Grains of Wheat written and setting by Marty Haugen



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Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Lord of the harvest,

we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

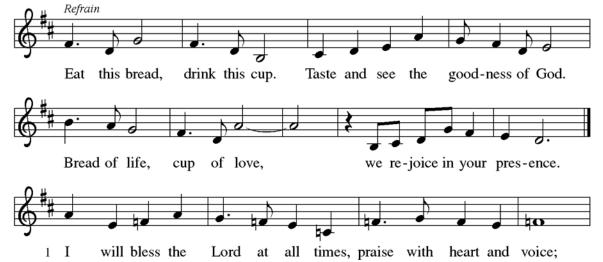
In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Communion Hymn

Eat this Bread, Drink this Cup ELW 492





Text: Jeremy Young, b. 1948, refrain; With One Voice, stanzas, based on Ps. 34 Music: STONERIDGE, Jeremy Young Text and music © 1995 Augsburg Fortress.

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray. O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Blessing

The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, † bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Lord, You Give the Great Commission ELW 579

1 Lord, you give the great commission: "Heal the sick and preach the word." Lest the church neglect its mission, and the gospel go unheard, help us witness to your purpose with renewed integrity:

Refrain

With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you call us to your service:"In my name baptize and teach."That the world may trust your promise,

life abundant meant for each, give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community: *Refrain*

- 3 Lord, you make the common holy:
 "This my body, this my blood."
 Let us all, for earth's true glory,
 daily lift life heavenward,
 asking that the world around us
 share your children's liberty: Refrain
- 4 Lord, you show us love's true measure:
 "Father, what they do, forgive."
 Yet we hoard as private treasure
 all that you so freely give.
 May your care and mercy lead us
 to a just society: *Refrain*
- Lord, you bless with words assuring:
 "I am with you to the end."
 Faith and hope and love restoring,
 may we serve as you intend
 and, amid the cares that claim us,
 hold in mind eternity: Refrain

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Sending

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Postlude in Early American Hymn Style.....Lani Smith

Junior Bible Study | **Today: The Ten Commandments**

Junior Bible Study is offered for children after the children's sermon during worship at both services. We will return from our time together before communion begins. Once again, we will use The Story as our guide for our learning. We will learn the familiar Bible Stories through these books, felt board, games, and crafts. We hope your children can join us!

Interested in Joining Grace?

Please contact the church office <u>office@gracewelcomesyou.org</u>, for information about joining Grace Lutheran Church. All are welcome and we would be overjoyed to have you engaged in the worship, ministries, and congregational life at Grace.

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Presiding Minister	Pastor Stephanie Wood
Presiding Minister Director of Outreach & Youth Minister	Pastor Kirsten Lee
Assisting Minister	Deb Gustafson
Communion Assistants	Gustafson, Janice Gibbs, Nancy Boehme, Deb Kirby
Communion Bread Acolyte	Ann & Mark Jepson
Acolyte	Janice Gibbs
Crucifer	NEEDED
CruciferGreeters	Jim & Sue Cruchelow
Ushers	Mark Jepson, Scott Jewel
Sound System	
Jr Bible Study Prayers	Pastor Kirsten, one NEEDED
Prayers	
Altar Guild	Mike Keller
Heart & Voice Choir Director	Sallv Meier
Organist	Susan Senn
Organist Pianist	Kathi Parrish
Worship Tech & Praise Band Leader	Vev Rodriguez
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