

Dear Friends in Christ,

Summer has arrived! Even the calendar says so, but part of me thinks it is still early spring! Time does go by so quickly, especially as we grow older. I remember my mom and I having this conversation when I was a young teenager, she was telling me that time went by quicker when you are older and I said "But the clock hands move at the same time for all." In a way we were both right, but time does seem to go by so much quicker for me now!

God isn't so interested in how fast time moves for us. Remember "that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day" (2 Peter 3:8). God is more interested in what we do with our time than the length of time. As God's children, our focus shouldn't be on asking God for longer lives, but, rather, we should be more interested in asking God and ourselves the question: "What can I do with my time that will please God and give God the glory that God deserves?" First and foremost, God wants us to spend our time in serving and glorifying Him. In speaking to the Corinthians, the Apostle Paul wrote, "So whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God" (1 Corinthians 10:31). We can give God glory by dedicating our daily tasks to Him. Our hands and feet can be doing routine and mundane things, but our hearts and minds can be focused on the Lord. In all that you do, have God taking part in your activities.

As you enjoy your summer remember to keep God with you. Don't put God up on a shelf for the summer and then bring God back in the fall. No matter where you are, no matter what you are doing keep God with you. When you are gone on a Sunday find a church where you can worship.

See you on Sunday!

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Dan



Who Are We?

The ELCA is one of the largest Christian denominations in the United States, with more than 3.7 million members in more than 9,300 congregations across the 50 states and in the Caribbean region. Known as the church of "God's work. Our hands," the ELCA emphasized the saving grace of God through faith in Jesus Christ, unity among Christians and service in the world. The ELCA's roots are in the writings of German church reformer, Martin Luther.

July Worship Assistants

July Ushers

Dennis Pringnitz, Gary Schroeder, Joyce Learman

July 7

Greeters: Mason - Joy & Dirk DeBraal
East - Marty Grow

Asst. Minister: Mandie Klauer

Lector: Marilyn Catlin

Communion: Dennis Pringnitz

July 14

Greeters: Mason - Carol Aldinger/Bonne Planner
East - Jonathon Seidl/Luann Seidl

Asst. Minister: Tom Jensen

Lector: Lois Hilger

Communion: Ron Bailey

July 21

Greeters: Mason - Verla Koerner/Susan Anderson
East - Mary Boldt

Asst. Minister: Mandie Klauer

Lector: Cheryl Muggenthaler

Communion: Gene Krull

July 28

Greeter: Mason - Mandie Klauer
East - Nita Williams

Asst. Minister: Ron Williams

Lector: Brian Klauer

Communion 9:00 am: Marty Grow

Scripture Readings

July 7

Isaiah 66:10-14

Galatians 6:7-16

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

July 14

Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Colossians 1:1-14

Luke 10:25-37

July 21

Genesis 18:1-10a

Colossians 1:15-28

Luke 10:38-42

July 28

Genesis 18:20-32

Colossians 2:6-15

Luke 11:1-13

**Enjoy your
Summer
And Be Safe!**



Grace Lutheran Church
900 N. Mason St.
Appleton, WI 54914

July 2019

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | 1 7:30 pm AA | 2 | 3 6:45 pm AA | 4 | 5 9 am Bible Study | 6 9 am Hmong Worship 7:00 pm Potter's House Worship |
| 7 9:00 am Worship | 8 6:30 Joy Circle 7:30 pm AA | 9 10:30 W&M Mtg 12:30-1:00 pm Bible Stories | 10 9 am Bible Study 6:30 pm Worship 6:45 pm AA | 11 10 am - 1 pm Salvation Army | 12 9 am Bible Study | 13 9 am Hmong Worship 7:00 pm Potter's House Worship |
| 14 9:00 am Worship | 15 7:30 pm AA | 16 12:30-1:00 pm Bible Stories | 17 9 am Bible Study 6:30 pm Council 6:45 pm AA | 18 | 19 9 am Bible Study | 20 9 am Hmong Worship 7:00pm Potter's House Worship |
| 21 9:00 am Worship | 22 7:30 pm AA | 23 | 24 9 am Bible Study 6:30 pm Worship 6:45 pm AA | 25 | 26 9 am Bible Study 6 pm Jon Seidl/Dana Iversen Wed- ding Rehearsal | 27 9 am Hmong Worship 2:00 pm Wedding 7:00 pm Potter's House Worship |
| 28 9:00 am Worship | 29 7:30 pm AA | 30 | 31 9 am Bible Study 6:30 pm Worship 6:45 pm AA | | | |

GRACE HAPPENINGS

Check out the **Grace Web Site** www.gracelutheranappleton.org for updated information about our congregation. We also have a new feature – Daily Devotions. Every day a new devotion is on our website. Check them out!

Ruby's Pantry is a faith based organization that is for everyone who eats. It is not government funded. You can receive one portion (this equals 2 laundry baskets full of food) for every \$20.00 spent and you can get more than one portion, just bring extra baskets for your food. You normally get pizza, frozen food, canned goods, meats, bread and other as-sorted items (could be toilet paper or napkins, etc). In the Appleton area Ruby's is located at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church at N1615 Meadowview Drive in Greenville WI 54942. They distribute food the first Saturday of the month. There is some information available on the table in the narthex. Even if you don't need everything they offer, it can be shared with people who can use it like our **Faith In Action** bags or our **Blessing Box** for non-perishable items.

Faith in Action is done the first Sunday of the month. Please bring in your items. The items are very much appreciated.

Cemetery Plots – Grace has several donated cemetery plots at Highlands Memorial Park. The council has voted to put them up for sale to members of Grace. The cost for each plot will be \$250 payable to Grace. In addition, there is a fee payable to Highlands Memorial Park in the amount of \$125 for transfer of the deeds. We have an infant and a child plot and are not being sold in case someone needs either of them. We are offering them to Grace members first. If you are interested or have questions, please see Cheryl Muggenthaler.

Rummage Sale wrap up: Thanks to all helped with the annual sale in any way. You brought quality items, more was priced ahead of time (thank you!), plus many of you helped set up tables and pack up afterwards, all very important. Also, much was accomplished from Tuesday through Saturday to really get the job done. Together we earned \$801, a good sale! Perhaps more important is that we reduced, re-used, and recycled items to new homes and not in the landfill. Start saving for next year!

Summer office hours:

The church building will be open from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm Monday thru Thursday subject to change. Normal office hours Tuesday and Wednesday 10:00 am -2:00 pm. It is probably best to call ahead.

Fox Valley Lutheran Homes

THANK YOU!!! for your part in helping us meet the \$50,000 matching grant for our elevator. It has not yet been met. It is appreciated for ALL the help given so far!

Did you know that there is a monthly calendar is full of classes and events that are open to seniors in your congregation? Check it out! Go to our webpage each month and see what's happening at www.fvlhomes.org. Our classes, events, and games are free and have room for more participants. We'd love to have you join our exercise class, Tai Chi, Bible Study, Dominoes, Cribbage or Sheepshead games, Coloring night, BINGO, or any of the occasional special classes and events we schedule. Just watch the monthly calendars and come when you can!

You are cordially invited to join the Mareez ...

Mary Boldt, Grace Lutheran Church-Appleton, and Mary Lindsley, Christ the King, Combined Locks, on an adventure to the Holy Land, March 19-30, 2020. Visit Galilee, Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Walk where Jesus walked.

If you are interested in joining the Holy Land Trip, there are brochures available and contact: Mary Boldt at 920.739.1104 Mary Lindsley at 920.740.7646

Blessing Box / Book Nook

Thank you for your support of the Blessing Box and Book Nook. The Blessing Box is filled 3-4 times a week and is often empty. The Book Nook is getting higher usage.

Neighbors are putting items in and with the nice weather we find vegetables, fresh fruit, etc., which goes fast. We are thankful to have such wonderful neighbors.

To help stock items that go fast we will start a "Item of the Week". Check the top of the Blessing Box shelves in the narthex and there will be an item such as chicken noodle soup and if we know a good priced place to find it, that will also be listed. You do not have to just do that item.

Most popular are, Mac N. Cheese, Spaghetti O's, Chicken Noodle Soup, Ramon Noodles, Tuna, Boxed Cereal, Canned Vegetables, Peanut Butter, Packaged meals.

We need toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, etc. Currently we have NO tooth brushes or tooth paste.

We kept books from the rummage sale so we have lots of books and movies. However, if you have books or movies we can still use them.

The synod is working on Global Mission Projects and Global also means right here in our neighborhood and Grace is certainly doing that.

Opportunities to Study God's Message for You

A combined Grace and Trinity bible study meets on Wednesdays at 9 a.m. in the kitchen at Grace and on Fridays another group meets at 9 a.m. in the narthex. Please consider joining to study God's message for us at one or both of these discussions.

Care List Prayers

*Please keep these
members in your
prayers:*

Marian Breitenfeldt
Dorothy Henke
Ellen Holz
Donny Kassube
Marie Mueller
Pastor Jim Seim
Marv Wrege

Please join the:

Summer School Bible Club

at

Grace Lutheran Church

July 9, 16

12:30pm - 1:00pm

Bible Stories, Singing, Learning, & Fun

for all age levels

Congregation Boards

President Mark Balkman
Vice-President Susan Anderson
Secretary Laury Grow
Treasurer Cookie Regal
Christian Education:
Jon Seidl –Council Rep
(Lois Hilger –Chairman)
Property Robbie Johnson
Worship and Music Becky Luett
Director of Finance Dennis Pringnitz

Sunday Worship At Grace

Communion is celebrated at most services.

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9:00 am Worship

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Mission Statement

By grace, through faith,
we follow God's word,
share gospel of Jesus Christ and bring hope
to others through **worship,**
education and **outreach.**

