ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF July 8th THROUGH July 15th

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES

DAY	STUDY	TOPIC/TITLE	WHEN & WHERE
Today	Adult Study	NO CLASS!	10:30 AM – Fellowship Hall
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SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: Our Adult Bible class will not meet today. It will resume Sunday, July 22nd. Please join us then as we continue our Bible study titled, "Upon This Rock."

STEWARDSHIP NOTE: 2 Corinthians 12:10 – "For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities." Paul found contentment in Christ. To be content means to accept what the Lord gives us at any given time as somehow being from the hand of the Father who wants to bless us. Sometimes it's hard to see how things like hardships, calamities, and insults will turn out for a blessing: but that is why Paul found this contentment in Christ and not in his own wisdom.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by the Memorial Committee.

THANK YOU to Rev. Dan Feldscher for sharing God's Word with us at both services this weekend! Pastor Feldscher is covering any emergencies through Monday, July 9th, while Pastor Crane is away. Pastor Feldscher can be reached at 262-886-3825.

WARMEST THANKS for all your kind cards, well-wishes and gifts as I start a new chapter by being with my family. Grace will always have a special place in my heart. Andrea Wait

PARENTS OF 7TH & 8TH GRADERS MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Our Confirmation Class orientation meeting will be Wednesday, September 5th, at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please plan to attend, and please inform the office ASAP of your intention to do so. Thanks!

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED: Are you looking for a way to serve your church? Would you prayerfully consider working with the youngest members of our congregation? The Sunday School program here at Grace is looking for Sunday School teachers! If you are interested in teaching Sunday School starting in the fall, please contact Laura Olson for more details. *Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven."* (Matthew 19:14)

ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS: Thrivent Financial is a Fraternal Benefit Society, which means it provides insurance AND carries out charitable, benevolent, and other purposes for the benefit of its members and the public. It is a not-for-profit organization. As a Thrivent member 16 or older, you are designated Choice Dollars based on your eligibility. You may also be eligible to provide a Thrivent Action Team project for a cause you are passionate about here at Grace or in the community. Call 1-800-847-4836 or visit Thrivent.com.

QUARTERLY VOTERS' MEETING: NEXT Sunday, July 15th, at 10:30 AM in Fellowship Hall.

NEW CHURCH SECRETARY: We welcome Dorothy McConville as our new church secretary. She is a member of Messiah Lutheran Church in Kenosha. Her work hours/church office hours will remain the same as Andrea's: Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2018! SONRISE NATIONAL PARK Vacation Bible School is going to be a FAMILY VBS, being held Sunday, July 22nd – Thursday, July 26th. The times will be 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM. There will be classes for EVERYONE! We will begin VBS with a light dinner and opening and then break into groups with Pastor teaching an adult class and the children having their own classes and activities. Dinner, Opening, and Closing will be done as a group. VBS will conclude on Thursday evening with the children singing some of the songs from VBS in the 6:30 PM worship service. Invite your family and friends to this wonderful opportunity to explore God's Word! Registration forms and a list of needed donations/volunteers are available in the hallway. Thank you for your donations and help!

WITH THE DEPARTURE of Mark Peters to Concordia Seminary, the Board of Education would like to take this opportunity to remind/inform you that the Bartz Scholarship Fund was established in memoriam of Rev. Herman Bartz to assist in the costs of education for professional church-work students, who will be attending a LCMS institution of higher learning. Our church has used this fund in the past to assist other members who have pursued this type of education. Some members have been asking about how to give a financial gift in support of Mark. You may use the undesignated envelopes in the pew and write "Bartz Scholarship Fund" in the blank. Church Council will be considering the use of these funds in support of Mark in the upcoming months. (Any questions can be directed to Diane Bretl, Board of Education Chair).

KWIK TRIP & SPEEDWAY GAS CARDS are for sale before and after the service in the Office Equipment Room. Grace gets 5-10% back on all cards sold. Cards are always available in \$25, \$50, and \$100 amounts.

RACINE LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL seeks to hire two individuals for part-time custodial positions for the 2018-19 school year. The first shift is from 2:30 until 6:30 PM, and the second shift is from 6:00 until 10:00 PM. Background checks are required by law. Interested candidates should contact Nate Bickel at 637-6538 before noon Monday through Thursday.

PLEASE SAVE THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT DATES:

SUNDAY, JULY 15 – Quarterly Voters' Meeting at 10:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall; August/September Newsletter Deadline

<u>SUNDAY, JULY 22</u> – Vacation Bible School from 5:00 to 8:00 PM through Thursday, July 26 <u>THURSDAY, JULY 26</u> – Thursday Divine Service with Holy Communion at 6:30 PM, Vacation Bible School children will sing at the service

<u>SUNDAY, AUGUST 5</u> – Jacob Eichers' Ordination & Installation at Faith Lutheran Church in La Crosse, WI, at 4:00 PM. The address is 1407 Main St., La Crosse, WI 54601.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 30 - Last Thursday Divine Service at 6:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 – Confirmation Class orientation for 7th & 8th graders 6:30 PM