

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF May 31st THROUGH June 7th

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES

| STUDY | TOPIC/TITLE | WHEN & WHERE |
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| Adult Study | One Christ, Many Creeds | 10:30 AM – Fellowship Hall (also live-streamed on Facebook) |

STEWARDSHIP NOTE: Acts 2:1 – *“When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place.”* Pentecost is the Old Testament harvest festival – it happens around the time when the wheat and oats are ready to be brought in. Of course, this was a picture and foreshadowing of the great harvest of humankind that God means to bring in through the preaching of His Word. God gives the seed, and God brings about the harvest. From first to last, in things temporal and things eternal, we stand only by His grace.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Charlotte Roshar for her birthday.

2020 FLOWER CHART STILL HAS OPENINGS: The cost is **\$27.00** for two bouquets. Please make your checks payable to “Grace Lutheran Church” and place in the secretary’s mailbox in the Communication Center. To reserve a Sunday, please sign your name and occasion for which you are purchasing the flowers on the hanging poster in the narthex. Thank you!

ELECTRONIC GIVING is now available at Grace. Questions can be answered by John Adams, Doug Alexander, or Steve Kanetzke. Enrollment forms are available in the Office Equipment Room. Completed forms should be returned in a sealed envelope and placed into John’s or Doug’s mailbox outside the church office.

PLUNGE IN TO VBS 2020! At *Splash Canyon* VBS, children learn God keeps His promises on life’s wild ride! They’ll look into the Bible, God’s Holy Word, and explore five Bible accounts where our faithful God keeps His promises to be with us and gives us life and hope through Jesus, our Savior. Registration is open for all children three years old through sixth grade. The dates for VBS are **August 3rd – 7th, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM**. Come along with us as we sing fun songs, do crazy crafts, eat yummy snacks, play awesome games, and more. Most importantly, we will learn that all God’s promises are Yes in Jesus! We can’t wait to see you there! To help with planning, please sign up by **July 13th**.

ADULTS... Be part of *Splash Canyon* VBS! Life is full of thrills and spills! We don’t know what’s around the bend, but God does! At *Splash Canyon* VBS, God’s children of all ages learn the good news that God is with us and keeps His promises to us on life’s wild ride! As a volunteer for *Splash Canyon* VBS, you will have fun and share the *Splash Canyon* message with the kids! If you can help, we have many ways to be involved to suit your schedule and interests. For more information, contact Laura Olson. Plunge in for VBS fun at *Splash Canyon*!

SUPPORT: We appreciate your support for *Splash Canyon*, our Vacation Bible School. Ask God to bring children to our program so they can know and grow in Jesus, our Savior! Ask God to provide leaders and helpers for this important mission. Consider donating some of the materials that are needed for the week. If you are a Thrivent member, consider donating a Thrivent action card to help cover the cost of materials and other items needed for VBS.

INTERIM COVID-19 WORSHIP GUIDELINES:

- We can resume in-person worship services at 25 percent of our seating capacity.
 - Conservatively, our nave can hold about 300 people, so 25 percent of that is 75. With worship services on Thursdays at 6:30 pm and Sundays at 9:00 am, I do not anticipate that we will exceed the 75-person limit at any one service.
- Social distancing (six-foot distance between people, except for members of the same family) will be followed as much as possible.
 - Please keep your distance as best you can from other people.
 - Some rows of pews are blocked off.
- Masks may be worn in church, but they are not required.
- Hand sanitizer will be available on stands near the trays for the used Communion cups for those who wish to use it.
- For the time being, only individual cups of Communion wine will be offered. The cups will be spaced throughout the trays to reduce the risk of touching another cup besides your own.
- Please keep some distance from others while at the Communion rail (families can remain together). Also, please remain standing so as not to touch the rail and possibly contaminate it.
- The children will not come forward for Catechism Time.
- The offering plates will be located at the back of the nave.
- The Fellowship Pads will not be completed at this time.
- Please try to follow social distancing as much as possible when leaving. We cannot congregate at the exits.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. Welcome back! – Pastor Crane

YOUTH GROUP MEETING: The next youth group meeting is **Friday, June 5th, (6:00 PM – 8:30 PM)** here at church. We will be having pizza for dinner; however, if you would prefer to bring your own dinner to eat, that is fine. Hope to see you there!

FOOD PANTRY: If you would like to donate food pantry items, you can drop them off at Grace between 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM Monday – Thursday. Please place items on the shelves in the pantry, which is up the steps from the elevator. Many thanks for your donations!

THANK YOU: The Board of Christian Care would like to thank those who have donated food for Harvest Outreach or volunteered to staff their distribution counter. The next open dates to volunteer are **next Friday, June 12th, and Monday, June 29th**. They are still in need of mac 'n cheese, spaghetti sauce, hearty soups (canned or dry), and tuna helper. You may put your food donations in the marked bin in the coat room or bring them to Grace's food pantry shelves next to the elevator, up a few steps to the right (from first floor), and through the door. Volunteer opportunities are available on the first two Fridays of even-numbered months and every fifth Monday (any month) from 9:30 to 11:30 AM at 2000 DeKoven Ave., Racine. Please see the sign-up sheet on the Office Equipment Room door, or contact Connie Abrahamson, Becky Gardner, or Becky Saxena to volunteer or for more information.