

Grace Lutheran Church News and Tidbits

MARCH 8, 2026

YOU ARE WELCOME! WORSHIP WITH US!

Grace Lutheran Church Mission Statement

To **ANSWER** the CALL of our Savior.
To **CONNECT** with people in their everyday lives.
To **ADVANCE** the Gospel through God's Word and fellowship.
To **LEND** ourselves in service, so that we may become instruments.
that **LEAD** others to salvation.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

3/7 5:00 pm (No Communion)
3/8 8:00 am (No Communion)
10:30 am (Communion)

Hymns

LSB 770 *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*
LSB 823 *May God Bestow on Us His Grace*
LSB 575 *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*
LSB 849 *Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness*

Communion Hymns (10:30)

LSB 648 *Glorious Things of You Are Spoken*
LSB 580 *The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace*
LSB 423 *Jesus, Refuge of the Weary*

Readings: Exodus 17:1-7; Romans 5:1-8,
John 4:19-30

3/14 5:00 pm (Communion)
3/15 8:00 am (Communion)
10:30 am (No Communion)

3/21 5:00 pm (Communion)
3/22 8:00 am (No Communion)
10:30 am (Communion)

SoG = Songs of Grace | LSB = Lutheran Service Book

SUNDAY SCHOOL

3/8/2026, 9:15 am

Ages 0-3 & parents (Sunshine Room)
Age 4 – 4th Grade (Fellowship Hall)
Jr. High (Jr. High Youth Room)
Sr. High (Sr. High Youth Room)
Adult Bible Classes
➤ Pastor Woods (Fireside Rm.)
➤ The Youngs (Boardroom)

3/15/2026, 9:15 am

No infants thru 12th grade Today!
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3/22/2026, 9:15 am

No infants thru 12th grade Today!
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➤ The Youngs (Boardroom)

3/29/2026, 9:15 am

No infants thru 12th grade Today!
Adult Bible Classes
➤ Pastor Woods (Fireside Rm.)
➤ The Youngs (Boardroom)

4/5/2026 – No Sunday school

THINGS TO KNOW!

Pastor's Class 1:00 – 3:00 pm

3/8 Baptism
3/15 Holy Communion
3/22 The Lord's Prayer.
Join us in the church Boardroom.

Wednesdays Bible Study "Road to Coronation"

Church Boardroom at 10:00 am
Led by Pastor Speerbrecker
March 11
"Royalty in the Holy City"

Worship News

Lenten worship service 7:00 pm
March 11
"Strike the Rock"
Text: Ex. 17:1-7

Saturday Worship Note

There is not a Saturday worship service on April 4.
Please join us for one of the Easter services on April 5.

Please Pray For:

Members: for Alison Ardrey and family upon the passing of her aunt, Susie Ardrey; for Larry Young, Jacob Young, Sabrina Haug, Marc Deardorff, Bill Boyd, Erondia Weldon, Joe Franklin, Debbie Woods, Jim Bell, Jennifer Buss, Lorna Hoepfner, Marilyn Meek, Mikelene Higgins, Jim Furber, Tim Minich, Frank Putirka, Carie Lamb, Andy Razor, Harry Ross.

Friends & Loved Ones: Kristi Dawson (friend of Debbie Boyle), Ira Blanken (acquaintance of Becky Fetz), Margot Franz (granddaughter of Darrell & Sue Shewmaker), Becky Johnson (daughter-in-law of Wendy Shevlin), Loretta Faith (great niece of Jeff, Sara, Chris & Ashley Faith), Larry Cichocki (brother-in-law of Kathy Cichocki), Gary Sporleder (dad of Tricia Woods), Tucker Wathen (Brenda Alford's grandson), Bruce Matzke (Robb's dad), Stephen Korner (Knut's brother), David Long (father-in-law of Kyle Brumett), Rebecca Cook (friend of Doug & Joan Longest), Brigadier General Matt Matia (friend of Barbara Sziklay), MacKennon Kelly-Brooner (grandson of Sally Kelly), Eugene Henderson (Ron Zwald's brother-in-law), Finley Singleton (niece of Lindsay Swearingen), Jennifer Parr (friend of Debbie Boyle), Elana Bussey (sister of Jean Brafford), for Stacy Tunnel (friend of Pat Curts), Rick Shafer (brother of Colleen Garber), Abo Asmah (friend of Emmanuel Ayiku-Teye), Joe & Carole Chester (cousins of Danielle Delorme).

Prayers for Our Military: Shane McNamara (stepson of Ruth McNamara), Lukas Faith (Air Force, son of Jeff & Sara), Jeremy Houglund (Army), Thomas Kendall & Michael Kendall (Army, sons of Patrick & Ruthie), Alona Warren (Marines, California, daughter of Diana & Mark), Megan Harbol (Army, niece of Kathy Hayes & granddaughter of Barbara Fitzpatrick), Orrin Harbol (Army, husband of Megan), Will Mersmann (Navy, acquaintance of Becky Fetz), Lauren Mitchell (Navy, niece of Kathy Hayes & granddaughter of Barbara Fitzpatrick), Jonah Windell (Navy, grandson of Larry & Donna Oexman), Samuel Franks (Army, grandson of Luella Franks).

PRAYER LIST UPDATES NEEDED

If you have a friend or loved one listed on our Sunday prayer list or in the weekly Prayer Letter, we'd love to hear how they are doing. Whether there is an encouraging update to share, a new request for prayer, or it's time to remove a name, your updates help us pray more meaningfully. Please reach out to Karen in the church office by phone or email her at secretary@glcna.org.

ALTAR FLOWER CHANGES and COST for 2026

You may sponsor altar flowers for any worship weekend in honor of someone's birthday, anniversary, memory, or simply to the Glory of God. Please **call or e-mail** Karen in the church office to sign up. The **cost is \$40 per vase**. Checks payable to "**Grace Lutheran Church**." Please place payment in envelope marked "Altar Flowers" or mark on memo of check "Altar Flowers." When taking flowers home, please leave the green metal insert—those are returned to the flower shoppe.

Euchre Sunday, March 15 Noonish in the Fellowship Hall

Stick around after late service on the 15th and play some Euchre with us. All ages are welcome. If you prefer, other games are welcome as well.

Bring snacks to share (optional).

Contact Nik Kahl at 502-693-2318 with questions.



Wednesday Lenten Worship Schedule - 7:00 pm

Deliver Us: Why the Exodus is Still Our Message

- **3/11** "Strike the Rock" Exodus 17:1-7
- **3/18** "Mine" Exodus 20:1-17
- **3/25** "Digging Ourselves into a Hole" Exodus 32:1-14



Holy Week Schedule

- Palm Sunday, 3/29 - 8:00 & 10:30 am "A New Beginning" Exodus 34:1-8
- Maundy Thursday, 4/2 - 7:00 pm w/Communion "Access" Exodus 24:1-11
- Good Friday, 4/3 - 7:00 pm "Agnus Dei" Exodus 12:1-13

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES

"Against All Odds" Exodus 15:1-18

Easter Sunrise, 4/5 - 6:30 am

Easter Service, 4/5 - 8:00 am Communion

Easter Service, 4/5 - 10:30 am Communion



WELCOME TO OUR
Grace on Wednesdays

Classes for age 4 thru adult

note time change below. Worship at 7:00
March 11
Supper 5:15-5:45 | Classes 5:45-6:45

No classes March 18 & 25 (spring break)

Dessert Donations for Grace on Wednesday's meals is appreciated. Brownies, cookies, cupcakes, pies, cakes (9x13), etc., in any amount. We serve 75+ people.



CLASS FOR Parents of Young Kids

**Monday, March 16, 2026
5:30-8:00 at Mitzi Lyon's home**

Join with other parents of children up to 4th grade at Mitzi's for a fun evening of Bible study that begins with a meal at 5:30. Need a babysitter? Childcare is available upon request. Please let Mitzi know if you plan to come, so she knows how much food to prepare. Any questions contact Mitzi, 812-207-4796.

Thank You

We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed to the **Love the Hungry** food packing event. This event is scheduled for **June 26** in **Evansville, Indiana**, during the Women in Mission Indiana District Convention.

A total of **\$427.00** has been sent from Grace to the Indiana District LWML to support this initiative.

Quilt Tacking

TUESDAY, MARCH 17

Church Fireside Room

10:00 - Noon

No experience needed. Please bring scissors. Everyone is welcome!

**JOIN US FOR DEVOTIONS,
COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP**

Easter Lilies

Sixty Lilies have been ordered to adorn the church on Easter Sunday

Easter lilies are \$13 each, and you can sponsor one by signing up on the sheet outside the church office.

Dedicate your lily in memory, honor, or to the Glory of God. Donors will be listed in the Grace News bulletin on Easter.

Payment

- Checks: Payable to Grace Lutheran, in an envelope labeled "Lilies."
- Cash: In an envelope with your name.

Please take your lilies home after the Easter service. For questions, contact Karen at (812) 944-1267.

"Road to Coronation"

Bible Study

Wednesdays, 10 am
(Boardroom)

Led by Pastor Paul Speerbrecker

Jesus' "coronation" on a cross took place five days after entering Jerusalem. Vindicated in the resurrection and enthroned in the ascension, Jesus calls us to listen, believe and follow.

- 3/11 "Royalty in the Holy City"
- 3/18 "Royal Coronation in Matthew, Mark, and Luke"
- 3/25 "The Royal Coronation in John"

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY COMING MARCH 22 DURING LATE SERVICE

A reception will follow the service for meeting the newest congregation members, with light refreshments served in the Fireside Room.



Saturday, March 28

from 11:00-1:00

Ages 0 – 4th Grade

(Must be accompanied by an adult)

Come join the fun

EGG HUNT

CRAFTS

FACE PAINTING

INFLATABLES

FREE LUNCH

**No baskets are necessary;
bags will be provided**

Please sign-up by either
texting Mitzi (812) 207-4796
or on the sheet by the
Church Office.

Volunteers Needed For the Easter Egg Hunt

Help make the Easter Egg Hunt
a success for our little ones!

PLEASE SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER!

On **Saturday, March 28**, we need help from
10:00 am – 2:00 pm. Please reach out to
Mitzi at Mitzi.lyon@glcna.org, text 812-207-
4796 or sign-up outside the church office
door. Thank you so very much for your
support!



FILLING EASTER EGGS

Help is needed to fill the Easter eggs.
Everything will be ready to go—just
need some helping hands.

We'll be filling Easter eggs:

Thursday March 19 - 1:00-4:00

Friday, March 20 - 1:00-4:00

We meet in the youth wing at
church. Thank you for your support!





Sunday, 3/8

Diane Denning
 Scott Kaminsky
 Ryan Dietrich
 Britney McLellen
 Ella Korner

Monday, 3/9

John Lambert
 Claudia Atwood
 Kristi Reisenbichler
 Nathen Weldon

Tuesday, 3/10

Paul Wirth
 David Belden

Wednesday, 3/11

Laura S. Belden
 Mark Niemann

Thursday, 3/12

Jane Lakes
 Tammy Garber
 Jeremy Houglan
 Jillian Hadley
 Della Hooper

Friday, 3/13

David Elliott
 Andrew Leininger
 Katie Tarr
 Mia McWilliams

Saturday, 3/14

Robert Asplund
 Nate Cox

Sunday, 3/15

Cora Keister

Sunday, 3/8

Travis & Amanda Schneider

Monday, 3/9

Brian & Misty Hooper

Sunday, 3/15

Sean & Abbey Harris

Ladies Save the Date April 25, 10:00–3:00 for the Women of Grace Retreat
 Silver Heights Retreat Center in New Albany.

SUNDAY, MARCH 8 – SUNDAY, MARCH 15

MARCH 8, SUNDAY Sugarbush

Worship, 8:00 (No Communion)

• **SUNDAY SCHOOL, 9:15**

- Ages 0-3 & Parents Nursery Class (Sunshine Room)
- Ages 4 – 4th Grade (Gym-Kids of Grace area)
- Jr. High (Jr. High Youth Room)
- Sr. High (Sr. High Youth Room)
- Pastor Woods' Bible Class (Fireside Room)
- The Youngs' Bible Class (Boardroom)

• **Worship, 10:30 (Communion)**

- Pastor's Class, 1:00 pm (Boardroom)

MARCH 9, MONDAY

- Scouts, 6:00 pm

MARCH 10, TUESDAY

- Boardroom reserved, 10:15
- Fireside Room reserved, 5:00-8:00

MARCH 11, WEDNESDAY

- Bible class: "Road to Coronation", 10 am (Boardroom)

• **Grace on Wednesdays**

- Supper: 5:15-5:45 (Fellowship Hall/Gym)
- Classes: 5:45-6:45 pm (ages 4 thru adults)

• **LENTEN WORSHIP, 7:00 PM**

MARCH 12, THURSDAY

- Thursday's Saints Bible Class, 10:30 am (Fireside)
- Scouts, 6:30 pm

MARCH 13, FRIDAY

- Fireside Room reserved, 5:30-8:00 pm

MARCH 14, SATURDAY

- Fellowship Hall reserved, 8:00-4:00
- **Worship, 5:00 pm (Communion)**

MARCH 15, SUNDAY

- **Worship, 8:00 (Communion)**

• **SUNDAY SCHOOL, 9:15**

- **No classes infants – 12th grade**
- Pastor Woods' Bible Class (Fireside Room)
- The Youngs' Bible Class (Boardroom)
- **Worship, 10:30 (No Communion)**
- Fireside Room reserved after late service
- Euchre after late service (Fellowship Hall)
- Pastor's Class, 1:00 pm (Boardroom)

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The **Grace News & Tidbits** and **Pastor Woods' Weekly Devotion** available via e-mail. If you would like to receive either or both by e-mail, please call Karen at the church office, 812-944-1267 or e-mail her at secretary@glcna.org and let her know. (Please check spam/junk folders and make church a safe sender in your e-mail settings, so we are not blocked by your e-mail.)

PASTORAL CARE

If you are hospitalized or have a change of address or just something that needs pastoral care, please call the office, or let Pastor Woods know directly. Since hospital and nursing facilities are not allowed to disclose patient information of any kind, they do not call the church. If you cannot call the church or Pastor Woods yourself, please ask someone to do so for you. Pastor Woods would be grateful to hear from you or family when care is needed. We want to be there with you at such important times.

BEWARE OF SCAM MESSAGES



If you receive a message that looks like it is from a church member or staff—especially Pastor Woods—please confirm with that person before opening or responding. There are a lot of scams going around, and we want everyone to stay safe.

WAYS TO GIVE to GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Mail or place in offering plate at church or give online at www.glcna.org.

Weekly Attendance Report

Wednesday, 2/25	7:00 pm	140
Saturday, 2/28	5:00 pm	54
Sunday, 3/1	8:00 am	55
Sunday, 3/1	10:30 am	310

Budget Needed weekly: \$17,003.00

Sunday, March 1 Total: \$19,745.83	
\$9,090.10	Envelopes
\$ 798.00	Loose Plate
\$4,448.52	Vanco
\$5,409.21	Other General Fund

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Saturdays, 5:00 pm
Sundays
8:00 & 10:30 am

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