

# Sunday May 3, 2026

## Grace Lutheran Church News and Tidbits



# 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

#### Sunday, May 3

5/2 5:00 pm (No Communion)

5/3 8:00 am (Communion)

5/3 10:30 am (No Communion)

#### HYMNS

LSB 861 *Christ Be My Leader*

LSB 685 *Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus*

LSB 923 *Almighty Father, Bless the Word*

#### Communion (8:00)

LSB 637 *Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord*

*There Is a Redeemer* (screens)

SoG 104 *This Is My Father's World*

#### READINGS

Acts 6:1-9, 7:2, 7:51-60

1 Peter 2:2-10

John 14:1-14

#### Sunday, May 10 – Mother's Day

5/9 5:00 pm (Communion)

5/10 8:00 am (No Communion)

5/10 10:30 am (Communion)

**(Grads honored at late service)**

SoG = Songs of Grace | LSB = Lutheran Service Book

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

#### 5/3/2026, 9:15 am

Ages 0-3 & parents (Sunshine Room)

Age 4- 4<sup>th</sup> 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)

#### 5/10/2026, 9:15 am

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Jr. High (Jr. High Youth Room)

Sr. High (Sr. High Youth Room)

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#### 5/17/2026, 9:15 am

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Age 4- 4<sup>th</sup> grade (Fellowship Hall)

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## VBS 2026

## JUNE 21-24

### 4 yrs old - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

### Dinner served 5:45

### Program from 6:30-8:00

Please join us for an unforgettable week at VBS where kids will discover what it means to forgive like Jesus. They will enjoy Bible stories, music, crafts, games and more, all centered around the truth that God calls us to forgive.

Scan the bar code to register your child/children



### Please Pray For:

**Members:** for Brad Hussung and family mourning the passing of his mother, Hilda Hussung; for Jennifer Buss, Debbie Mildenerger, Brian Weldon, Dee Belden, Marty Hoepfner, Nancy Swearingen, Kamryn Elliott (Bryan and Miranda's son), Carol Fischer, Jane Ellenbrand, Shirley Nale, Marc Deardorff, Mikelene Higgins, Jim Furber, Tim Minich, Carie Lamb, Andy Razor, Harry Ross.

**Friends & Loved Ones:** for Keith & Kathy Brown (brother & sister-in-law of Rick Fetz), Ezrah (toddler, acquaintance of Jackie King); for Scott Lehman, Becky Allen (friend of Ron Cunningham), LaDawn Erdman (niece of Colleen Garber), Michael Wirth (Debbie Wirth's son), Sue Wimsatt (aunt of Terrie Robinson), Mary Watson (cousin of Diane Sowle), Brooklynne Faith (Jeff & Sara Faith's daughter-in-law), Carlotta McKnight (friend of Luella Franks), Jesseka Carlisle (Erondia Weldon's daughter), Ira Blanken (acquaintance of Becky Fetz), Margot Kranz (granddaughter of Darrell & Sue Shewmaker), Gary Sporleder (dad of Tricia Woods), Tucker Wathen (Brenda Alford's grandson), 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-Broner (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), Joe Chester (cousin of Danielle Delorme).

**Prayers for Our Military:** Shane McNamara (stepson of Ruth McNamara), Lukas Faith (Air Force, son of Jeff & Sara), Jeremy Hougland (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).

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### **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](mailto:secretary@glcna.org).

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### **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.

Altar flowers are in memory of Leroy Schoenfeld  
from his wife Judy and family

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**Grace on Wednesdays**  
**Classes for age 4 through Adults will resume on**  
**September 16.**  
**Watch for details as the time gets closer.**

## Euchre Sunday, May 3

### Noonish in the Fellowship Hall

Stick around after late service on the 3rd 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.



## Church Workday Saturday, May 16



Starting at 8:00 am

Clearing up debris at church



Landscaping  
and  
Beautification of  
Property



Bring gloves, shovels, rakes,  
and other tools to help get  
the job done.



Questions?



See Wayne Garber or Ed Mayfield

A graphic design featuring several black graduation caps with gold tassels falling from the top. The background is a light, textured grey.

CLASS OF 2026  
**SENIOR SUNDAY**  
MAY 10 2026

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE OUR  
GRADUATING SENIORS ON SUNDAY,  
MAY 10<sup>TH</sup> DURING THE 10:30AM  
SERVICE.  
IF YOU ARE OR HAVE A  
GRADUATING SENIOR AND WOULD  
LIKE TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE  
CONTACT ROSIE.

### 100 Years of Grace Display Area Needed

As part of the 100 Years of Grace celebration, we would like to create an area where we can display pieces of our history. It will be in the hall across from the office where the curio cabinet and congregation pictures are now located. The display area will have shelves, possibly floating glass, and a media center for people to access our history at any time. It can have special lighting.

**We need someone or a group** to design and build this display area. It does not have to be the same person. If someone has a good idea, we will find someone to build it. Ideally, it will be completed before January 1, 2027, so we can use it throughout the year. Time is short so we need to start moving on this project. If you are interested, please call or text Debbie Boyle on (502) 541-5059.

## Bring Your Can to Church Sunday, May 3



If you are able, please bring a bag or two of food to church on the weekend of 5/2 and 5/3. The first weekend of the month is designated as "Bring Your Can to Church Sunday", but donations to the pantry are welcome all month.

The donations you provide will be used to help those that are in need. Please make sure to place perishable items in the Food Pantry--located in the hallway behind the stage in the Fellowship Hall.

In the month of April, thanks to your donations, we helped approximately 16 families.

## GRIEF SHARE®

**SUNDAYS, 1:00–3:00 pm**  
**Church Boardroom**

All materials for the class provided

**May 3**

**Self-Care, Fearful & Overwhelmed**

Schedule for May below. A full schedule of classes can be found on our website at [glcna.org](http://glcna.org)

**5/3** *Self-Care, Fearful & Overwhelmed*

**5/10** No class - Mother's Day

**5/17** Anger

**5/24** Regrets

**5/31** Grief & Your Household

If you have any questions, contact Pastor Woods at 502-523-9327 or [pw@glcna.org](mailto:pw@glcna.org) for more details.

## 100th Anniversary Cookbook News



A cookbook is being created to celebrate

Grace's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2027!

We need all of our members, young, old, new and those who have been around awhile to contribute

### To Submit Recipes:

[www.typensave.com](http://www.typensave.com)

Username: GLCNA

Password: popcorn949

Forms will be available to fill out recipes if you don't want to do it online.

Contact Debbie Boyle or Diana VonStrohe with any questions.

## Grace Preschool Ingathering

At each convention of the Lutheran Women in Mission local churches, schools or other missions are chosen to receive needed items called an ingathering. This year Grace Lutheran Preschool was selected as one of the recipients to receive needed items to support the preschool.

Grace, along with other congregations in the Indiana District, have been asked to help in this ingathering for the preschool. **Items needed are below.** Please place items in box on God's Post Office across from mailslots--note: **please place gift cards in the LWML Mite Box** located in the entry area on the other side of the Welcome Center. Items collected until June 14.



**Crayola Washable  
Broadline Markers**  
10-pack Classic Colors



**ELMERS GLUE STICKS**  
7g (0.24oz)



**AMAZON  
GIFT  
CARDS  
ANY  
AMOUNT**

# GOLF SCRAMBLE

## SATURDAY, 5/16

**COST: TBD | 9:00 AM**

Join us at New Albany Springs Golf Course for a fun time of golf starting at 9:00 am.

**Closest to the pin | Long Drive**

**Putting Contest**

**FOOD  
WILL BE  
AVAILABLE**

**sign up  
in the  
Narthex  
area**



**Questions? Contact Nik Kahl  
502-693-2318**

Nik email:  
athletics  
@glcna.org

# Let's Go! to New Harmony, Indiana

**Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>  
leaving church at 10:00**

**Sign up  
outside  
church office**

**Lunch in Corydon, then proceeding to New  
Harmony for a guided tour at 1:00 pm (CST).**

**Cost: Tour \$10/person and \$ for  
lunch. Can be paid day of trip.**

Join us for this trip to historic New Harmony.

**LOTS OF WALKING  
ON THIS TRIP!**

This trip is being sponsored  
by our Caring/Discipleship Team



# JOIN JR. & SR. HIGH YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Contact Rose Ebling, Director of Youth Ministry with any questions about our groups.



## SLIP'N SLIDE KICKBALL

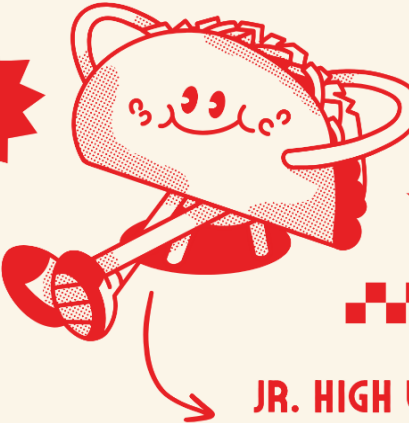
All Jr. High, Sr. High,  
and friends welcome!

**MAY  
6**  
6:00-7:30pm

Please bring your swim suit and a t-shirt to wear during the game. You will also want to bring a towel and eat dinner before you come. You do not need to sign up for this event. A snack will be provided.

## LET'S **iTACOS!** ABOUT JESUS

**JUNE 30  
&  
JULY 1**



**JR. HIGH UBS  
2026**

**SIGN UP AT LUTHYOUTH.ORG**

## Let's Go!

### Holiday World & Splashin' SAFARI®

Jr. High and Sr. High Youth  
Wednesday, June 10th

Deadline to sign up  
for this event is May 10th  
@ luthyouth.org

I must have 6  
parent chaperones  
for this trip. Please  
sign up to help  
before May 1st.

\$25



## SR. HIGH FEST 2026

### FOOD FOR THE SOUL



**July 22 - 23**

Sign up at [luthyouth.org](https://luthyouth.org)



**Sunday, 5/3**

Shirley Schlesener  
Jim Woods  
Sarah Kummer  
Aryanna Wilson  
Aden Olson

**Monday, 5/4**

Auggie Hinz  
Michelle Wilson  
Jeremy Longest  
Katie Weimer

**Tuesday, 5/5**

Sandy Tanner  
Dane Smith  
Emma Woods

**Wednesday, 5/6**

Brad Farber  
Jennifer Benner

**Thursday, 5/7**

Sue Speerbrecker

**Friday, 5/8**

Lorraine Hecht  
Sean Robinson

**Saturday, 5/9**

Kari Longnecker  
Hannah Farber

**Sunday, 5/10**

Sheila Bliss  
Nancy Dippold

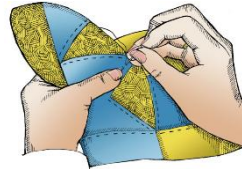


**Sunday, 5/3**

Pat & Reuben Johnson

**Friday, 5/8**

Jeff & Stephanie Andrews  
Brad & Lisa Farber



**TACKING QUILTS**

**Tuesday, May 12**

10:00 am until noon  
Church Fireside Room

No experience needed. Please bring a pair of scissors. Come and join us for devotions, coffee, fellowship!

**SUNDAY, MAY 3 – SUNDAY, MAY 10**

**MAY 3, SUNDAY**

Bring Your Can Food Pantry Collection

Worship, 8:00 (Communion)

· **SUNDAY SCHOOL, 9:15**

- Ages 0-3 & Parents Nursery Class (Sunshine Room)
- Ages 4 – 4<sup>th</sup> 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 am (No Communion)**

· **GriefShare class, 1:00 pm** (Boardroom)

· Euchre after late service, Fellowship Hall

**May 4, MONDAY**

· Scouts, 6:00 pm

**May 5, TUESDAY**

· Preschool Flower pick-up, gym  
11:30-12:30 or 2:30-5:00

· Elders' Team, 6:30 pm

**May 6, WEDNESDAY**

· Preschool Flower pick-up, gym  
11:30-12:30 or 2:30-5:00

· Junior & Senior High Slip & Slide, 6:00-7:30 pm

**May 7, THURSDAY**

· Thursday's Saints Bible Class, 10:30 am (Fireside)

**MAY 8, FRIDAY**

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

**MAY 9, SATURDAY**

· Fireside Room reserved, 10:00-4:30

· **Worship, 5:00 pm (Communion)**

**MAY 10, SUNDAY Mother's Day**

**Graduates honored, 10:30 am**

Worship, 8:00 (No Communion)

· **SUNDAY SCHOOL, 9:15**

- Ages 0-3 & Parents Nursery Class (Sunshine Room)
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· **Worship, 10:30 am (Communion)**

· **GriefShare class not meeting today!**

# Grace Lutheran Church is Connected

[www.glcna.org](http://www.glcna.org)

Services, Events, Ministries, Grace News and More!

[Facebook](#)

Like us and follow for up-to-date news and tidbits.

[360-degree Tour](#)

On Google, type *Grace Lutheran Church New Albany, Indiana*.

Click the map to the right of screen and take the 360° tour of our church.



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](mailto: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](http://www.glcna.org).

### Weekly Attendance Report

Saturday, 4/25	5:00 pm	51
Sunday, 4/26	8:00 am	80
Sunday, 4/26	10:30 am	245

**Budget Needed weekly:** \$17,003.00.

**Sunday, April 19 Total: 12,332.94**

\$8,289.70	Envelopes
\$ 555.00	Loose Plate
\$2,988.24	Vanco
\$ 500.00	Other General Fund

## Grace Lutheran Church

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[www.glcna.org](http://www.glcna.org)  
[www.luthyouth.org](http://www.luthyouth.org)

## Worship with Us

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

## Contact Us

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