



Grace Lutheran Church

AUGUST 16, 2026

Grace 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

Saturday/Sunday

8/15 5:00 pm (Communion)

8/16 8:00 am (Communion)

8/16 10:30 am (No Communion)

HYMNS

Just As I Am (I Come Broken)

LSB 653 *In Christ There Is No East or West*

LSB 754 *Entrust Your Days and Burdens*

COMMUNION HYMNS (5:00, 8:00)

LSB 575 *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

I Love to Tell the Story

LSB 580 *The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace*

LSB 567 *Not What These Hands Have Done*

READINGS

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8; Romans 11:1-2, 13-15, 28-32; Matthew 15:21-28.

Saturday/Sunday

8/22 5:00 pm (No Communion)

8/23 8:00 am (No Communion)

8/23 10:30 am (Communion)

SoG = Songs of Grace | LSB = Lutheran Service Book

SUNDAY SCHOOL

8/16/2026, 9:15 am

Infants – 12th Grade classes

Adult Bible Classes

- Pastor Woods (Fireside Room)
- Pastor Knutson (Choir Room)
- The Youngs (Boardroom)

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8/30/2026, 9:15 am

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ALTAR FLOWERS

You are invited to sponsor **altar flowers** for any worship weekend in honor of a birthday, anniversary, loved one's memory, or simply to the **Glory of God**.

To reserve a date, please call or e-mail Karen in the church office.

The cost is **\$40 per vase**. Checks should be made payable to *Grace Lutheran Church*. Please place your payment in an envelope marked "**Altar Flowers**" or note it on the memo line of your check.

If you take the flowers home, please leave the **green metal insert**—these are returned to the florist.



Please Pray For:

Members: for Barbara Pipes, Bill Davis, Louella Aker, Debbie Gleason, Marilyn Clark, Dave Conner, Chandra Isaac, Lorna Hoeppner, Maria Hobbs, Connie Beickman, Nona Bell, Frank Putirka, Bob Fischer, Bill Davis, Jane Lakes, Bill Wirth, Wayne Sheffler, Mikelene Higgins, Andy Razor, Jane Ellenbrand, Bev Popp, Tony Ahlbrand, Tim Minich, Jim Furber, Brandin Leffler, Renate Burrell, Jackie Rakes, Brenda Snyder, Marty Hoeppner, Marc Deardorff, Carie Lamb, Harry Ross

Friends & Loved Ones: for Marjorie Barr (Rick Barr's mom), Terry Williams (Barb Johnson's son), Marie Heine (daughter of Karen Hougland), Sharon Faulkner (mother-in-law of Tamera Faulkner), Sam Horton (cousin of Raymond Horton), Gary Manning (friend of Donna Baird), Larry Shevlin (Wendy Shevlin's brother), Jennifer Parr (friend of Debbie Boyle & Chrissy Clifford), Rebecca Parr (friend of Chrissy Clifford), Roger Rieckers (uncle of Jennifer Benner), Archer Julian (newborn great grandson of Luella Franks); Tucker Wathen (Brenda Alford's grandson), Lisa Cottrell (Barbara Sziklay's sister), Dale Moolhuysen (friend of Doug & Joan Longest), Deb Pillivant (friend of Barbara Sziklay), Stephen Korner (Knut's brother), Charlotte Crockett (Rose Ebling's mom), Amy Sander (friend of Kathy Hicks), Keith & Kathy Brown (brother & sister-in-law of Rick Fetz), Mary Watson (cousin of Diane Sowle), Rick Shafer (Colleen Garber's brother).

Prayers for Our Military: Shane McNamara (stepson of Ruth McNamara), Lukas Faith (Air Force, son of Jeff & Sara), Stephen Hougland (National Guard, Mississippi), 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.

Pastor's Class Begins 9/20

Something for everyone in this class. An instruction course for non-members to become members. Seekers course for those drawn to Christianity and a refresher course for members.

SCHEDULE

Boardroom, 1:00-3:00 pm, nine weeks

9/20 & 9/27: Ten Commandments | 10/4-10/18: Apostles' Creed | 10/25: Office of the Keys | 11/1: Baptism | 11/8: Holy Communion | 11/15: The Lord's Prayer

New Member Sunday

November 15 during the late service with a reception to welcome new members.





Growing in Faith.
Building Strong Families.



PARENT BIBLE STUDY

Opportunities

“Let the little children come to me...”

MATTHEW 19:14

FAITH AT HOME



SUNDAYS AT 9:15 AM
BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 13



AT CHURCH

LOCATION: 7TH GRADE
CLASSROOM (YOUTH HALL)



LEADER: PASTOR KNUTSON



CHILDCARE AVAILABLE:



INFANTS THROUGH AGE 3
IN THE SUNSHINE ROOM



AGES 4 THROUGH 4TH GRADE
IN THE KIDS OF GRACE SPACE
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL



STUDY OF GENESIS



SECOND MONDAY OF MONTH
BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 14



5:30-8:00 PM



AT MITZI'S HOME



PARENTS OF CHILDREN
FROM BIRTH THROUGH 4TH
GRADE ARE INVITED.

EVENINGS BEGIN WITH DINNER
FOLLOWED BY BIBLE STUDY.

Childcare available upon request. It is important
that you text 812-207-4796 so we have enough
food and childcare



GRACE LUTHERAN COOKBOOK TO CELEBRATE 100 YEARS OF GRACE!

Recipes need submitted by 9/30

We still need a lot of recipes. If you have any to fill the book, please submit in one of the following ways:

1. www.typensave.com | username: GLCNA | password: popcorn949
2. Pick up a form from the table outside the church office, fill out and put in Debbie Boyle or Diana VonStrohe's mail slot at church.

Our goal is to have the cookbooks by the end of the year.
Questions, see Debbie Boyle or Diana VonStrohe.



MOVIE NIGHT!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29 - 6:30
CHURCH FIRESIDE ROOM

Elijah Peel

PG 13 Film

**EVERYONE
WELCOME**

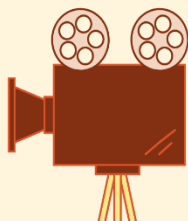


BABYSITTING AVAILABLE

Donations for sitters encouraged.



**FREE
ENTRY**



Feel free to bring camp chair,
blanket, and comfy wear.
Women of Grace will provide snacks.

BUNCO

Prizes for 1st, 2nd,
3rd, and Last Place



House Rules will be provided.

Sandwiches, chips, drinks provided
by the Women of Grace.

JOIN US

**SUNDAY
SEPT. 20**

—
Noon - 2:00
Church
Fireside
Room



**SIGN UP ON THE
SHEET OUTSIDE
THE CHURCH
OFFICE IF YOU
PLAN TO ATTEND.**



Our food pantry is in urgent need of restocking. Increased demand has nearly depleted our shelves. Donations of nonperishable food items are greatly appreciated.

Suggested items include canned vegetables, soups, pasta, rice, instant potatoes, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, canned meats, cheese slices, bologna, bread, buns, and other shelf-stable foods. (we have plenty of mac & cheese). Thank you for your help in support of those in need!!

MUMS FOR SALE

Grace Lutheran Preschool is selling mums again this year. **Orders and payments are due by Friday, September 13** (Please note that the order form says September 4, but you have until the 13th!)

Pick up orders on Tuesday, 9/22 or Wednesday, 9/23 in the Fellowship Hall from 11:30 – 4:00.

SAVE THE FOLLOWING DATES
More information Coming Soon!

Saturday
September 26



Walk for Life in support of Choices Life Resource Center. Registration is at 9:00 am. Walk starts at 10:00 and will be held at Sam Peden Community Park in New Albany. All are welcome.

Tuesday
October 6



Visit to Orphan Grain Train in Jonesville, IN to help sort and pack clothes for those in need in Indiana, the United States, and abroad. Pastor Woods will be driving the bus or the van. All are welcome. Leave church at 9:00 am and return at 3:00 pm. All are welcome.

Tuesday, October 20

Providing supper for Choices Life Resource Center Legacy Builders class for Dads.



Game Day

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6



Church Fellowship Hall beginning around Noon (after late service)

If you want, please bring snacks to share

Stick around after late service on the 5th and play some games with us. All ages welcome. Some play Euchre, but other card games, board games are all a part of "Game Day".



The winners of the August Euchre games was Dennis Gleason, Pam Hawkins, and Jane Wehmiller

QUESTIONS ABOUT GAME DAY CAN BE DIRECTED TO NIK KAHL AT 502-693-2318.

Unlock the power of a charitable giving strategy

Explore how you can enhance your overall financial plan.



Attend our free workshop, Charitable Strategies to Maximize Impact, to learn how a charitable fund works, different ways to give, and solutions tailored to your financial circumstances. If you're thinking about incorporating a charitable strategy into your financial plan, this event is for you. During this session, we'll also examine strategies for sustaining your church's foundation, supplementing an endowment fund or leaving an inheritance.

These sessions are hosted by the Envision Financial Advisors.

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All Thrivent clients with membership can now direct Choice Dollars® to support organizations like ours. To learn more or to see if you have Choice Dollars available, visit thrivent.com/thriventchoice.

Reserve your spots today.

Please call Perry Krause at 812-987-5898 or email perrykrause@gmail.com. Coffee and donuts will be provided.

Saturday, September 26

8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Grace Lutheran Church - Fireside Room

Saturday, October 24

8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

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The Bible's Silent Years: From Malachi to Matthew Apocrypha Bible Class

Wednesdays beginning August 19 • 10:30 a.m. church Boardroom

What happened between the Old and New Testaments? How did the Jewish people go from living under Persian rule to life under the Roman Empire when Jesus was born?

Using selected books of the Apocrypha and other historical sources, this class will explore the history, events, and religious ideas that shaped the world of Jesus and the Early Church.

No cost for study materials. Participants will need access to a copy of the Apocrypha. A Roman Catholic or Eastern Orthodox Bible is acceptable, or you may indicate on the sign-up sheet that you want *The Apocrypha: The Lutheran Edition with Notes* from Concordia Publishing House.

Instructor: Pastor Emeritus Paul Speerbrecker

Please sign up outside the Church Office. An evening Zoom class may be offered if there is sufficient interest.

Join us as we explore this fascinating and often overlooked period of biblical history!

LET'S HAVE A SPLASHTASTIC TIME

AUGUST 26

5:30 – 7:30

ALL FAMILIES INVITED

Grace Lutheran

FOAM **party**



FUN WITH FOAM AND WATER GAMES!

Wear appropriate clothing & Bring a Towel

Dinner will be provided

PLEASE SIGN UP



TRUSTEES

"And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and
not unto men."
— Colossians 3:23

CORNER

The Trustees remain committed to maintaining and improving our church facilities so they may continue to serve the needs of our congregation and community. We appreciate your prayers, support, and stewardship as we plan for future improvements and complete ongoing projects.

Upcoming Projects for Congregational Consideration



Restroom Renovation Project

Complete remodeling of the restrooms located in the Fellowship Hall and Educational Wing to improve functionality, appearance, and accessibility.

Parking Lot Improvements

Resurfacing and restriping of the church driveway and parking lot to enhance safety, traffic flow, and overall appearance.

Recently Completed Projects

- ✓ Water line installation to the picnic shelter
- ✓ New parking lot lighting
- ✓ New furnace and air conditioning units
- ✓ Safety ladder installed for Fellowship Hall roof access
- ✓ Lighting added to the outside cross
- ✓ Complete reroofing of the church
- ✓ Sound system installed in the Fellowship Hall
- ✓ Decorative planters at the main entrance built by the Scouts and funded by Grace

The Trustees thank the congregation for your continued support, generosity, and prayers as we strive to be faithful caretakers of the facilities God has blessed us with.



Save the Date

NOVEMBER 7

Women of Grace annual
Bake Sale, Craft Sale, and Silent Auction.
More information is coming!

This is also the day for the church's annual Turkey Supper.



Sunday, 8/16

Joe Franklin
Maria Elliott
Carson Jenkins
Kyle Henson

Monday, 8/17

Carrollean Klapel
Tom Faulkner
Hayley Willard
Evan Nichols
Brady Meyer
Tuesday, 8/18
Gwin Kahl
Donna Ahlbrand
Lori Green

Wednesday, 8/19

Resta Dizney
Dylan Beickman
Sophia Barker
Elyn May

Friday, 8/21

McKenna Baird
Aubree Larson
Clara May

Saturday, 8/22

Laura A. Belden
Chloe Rutherford
Lyla Steier
Jasper Paulin
Sunday, 8/23
Suzanne Kaegi
Callie Paulin
Henry Bottom



Sunday, 8/16

Randy & Lavone Kemp

Sunday, 8/23

Auggie & Carol Hinz

Saturday, 8/22

Joe & Diana VonStrohe

Congregational Voters' Assembly Meeting

Sunday, August 23 following the late service
(approx. Noon) church Fellowship Hall.

We will have a meal followed by our church meeting.
Please plan to attend. We need everyone's input!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16 – SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

AUGUST 16, SUNDAY

- Worship, 8:00 (Communion)
- SUNDAY SCHOOL, 9:15**
- Infants – age 3 & Parents Nursery Class (Sunshine Rm.)
- Age 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 am (No Communion)**

AUGUST 17, MONDAY

- Scouts, 6:00 pm (Fellowship Hall)

AUGUST 18, TUESDAY

- Church Council, 7:00 pm (Boardroom)

AUGUST 19, WEDNESDAY

- Bible Class *The Bible's Silent Years* (Boardroom), 10:30
- Women's Bible Class, 6:30 pm (Boardroom)

AUGUST 20, THURSDAY

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

AUGUST 21, FRIDAY

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

AUGUST 22, SATURDAY

- Worship, 5:00 pm (**No Communion**)

AUGUST 23, SUNDAY

- **Worship, 8:00 (No Communion)**
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- **CONGREGATIONAL VOTERS' ASSEMBLY MEETING AFTER LATE SERVICE (MEAL & MEETIN), GYM**

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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 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.)



BEWARE OF SCAM MESSAGES

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

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 the pastors 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 one of the pastors yourself, please ask someone to do so for you. The pastors would be grateful to hear from you or family when care is needed. We want to be there with you at such important times.

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

Saturday, 8/8	5:00 pm	67
Sunday, 8/9	8:00 am	101
Sunday, 8/9	10:30 am	148

Budget Needed weekly: \$17,003.00.

Sunday, Aug 9 Total: \$22,118.82	
\$10,205.68	Envelopes
\$ 1,533.05	Loose Plate
\$ 6,750.09	Vanco
\$ 3,630.00	Other General Fund

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Saturdays, 5:00 pm

Sundays

8:00 & 10:30 am

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