

Grace Lutheran Church

OCTOBER 25, 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 Saturday/Sunday October 24 & 25, 2026

REFORMATION SUNDAY

10/17 5:00 pm (Communion)
10/18 8:00 am (Communion)
10/18 10:30 am (Communion)

HYMNS

LSB 656 vs1-3 *A Mighty Fortress
Be Thou My Vision* (on the screen)

LSB 578 *Thy Strong Word*

COMMUNION (5:00 & 8:00)

LSB 555 v 1,6,9-10 *Salvation Unto
Us Has Come*

LSB 814 *O Bless the Lord, My Soul*

LSB 804 *O Worship the King*

LSB 655 *Lord Keep Us Steadfast in
Your Word*

LSB 735 *Have No Fear, Little Flock*

READINGS

Genesis 16:7-15

2 Corinthians 4:7-18

Luke 7:36-50

SoG = Songs of Grace | LSB = Lutheran Service
Book

Sunday School

10/25/2026

Infants - 12th Grade classes

Adult Bible Classes

- Pastor Knutson "[Faith at Home](#)" for Parents of young children (7th Grade classroom)
- The Youngs (Boardroom)
[Topic: 1st & 2nd Thessalonians](#)
- Pastor Woods (Fireside Room)

11/1/2026, 9:15 am

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Altar Flowers

Would you like to sponsor flowers for the altar for a church weekend worship service? If interested, please call Karen at the church office.

The cost is **\$40 per vase**. Checks should be made payable to **Grace Lutheran Church** and placed in an envelope marked "*Altar Flowers*" or noted on the memo line.

If you take the flowers home, please leave the green metal insert so it can be returned to the florist.



Please Pray For

Members: for Serene Loppnow, for Lorna Hoepfner, for Steve Montgomery, Frank Putirka, Greg Gatsos, Sue Neathamer, Bev Wright, Debbie Wirth, Marilyn Meeks, Ron Zwald, Audrey Scott, Wayne Sheffler, Andy Razor, Brian Weldon, Louella Aker, Maria Hobbs, Connie Beickman, Nona Bell, Bill Wirth, Mikelene Higgins, Tim Minich, Brandin Leffler, Jackie Rakes, Marty Hoepfner, Marc Deardorff, Carie Lamb, Harry Ross.

Friends & Loved Ones: for Jess Neal (son-in-law of David & Lyn Back); for Sue Smeltz (cousin of Debbie Gibson), Lando White (friend of Debbie Gibson), Kathy Litch (Gwin Kahl's sister), Jim Baumgart, Shirley Swanson-Jones (sister of Anna Luhrsén), Tracy Serbick (friend of Danielle Delorme), Maya Strehler (1 year old great niece of Auggie Hinz); Jackie Ralston (sister of Doug Longest), Carlotta McKnight (friend of Luella Franks), Juli Meyer (sister-in-law of Sara (Loppnow) Scudder), Dale Moolhuysen (friend of Doug & Joan Longest), Sharon Faulkner (mother-in-law of Tamera Faulkner), Larry Shevlin (Wendy Shevlin's brother), Jennifer Parr (friend of Debbie Boyle & Chrissy Clifford), Archer Julian (newborn great grandson of Luella Franks); Lisa Cottrell (Barbara Sziklay's sister), 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.

TIME AND TALENT SURVEY

Gifts. We all have gifts that the Lord has given us. Please take a moment and tell us what you enjoy doing, how Jesus has gifted you. Please consider filling out a Time and Talent Survey. Printed forms are in your mail slot at church. If you prefer, you can scan the QR code to the right and take the survey online at our website. Paper copies can be returned to the box in the narthex.



ALL SURVEYS ARE **DUE BY OCTOBER 25TH**. THANKS FOR SHARING YOUR TALENTS WITH YOUR CHURCH FAMILY.

Grace Lutheran,

Thank you so much for your very generous donation to help with our son, Tucker and his medical treatment. This contribution helps us to focus on Tucker & his continued recovery. He was recently released from oncology treatment but will return in December for repeat labs and scans. Your continued prayers are much appreciated.

Steven & Tiffany, Molly, Emma & Tucker Wathen



GRACE ON WEDNESDAYS



Classes for age 4 through Adult



October Schedule: 10/14, 10/21, 10/28

November Schedule: 11/4, 11/11, 11/18, 11/25 (no class)--Worship at 7:00 pm.



Supper: 5:30-6:00

Classes: 6:00-7:30



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

THANK YOU!



TRUSTEES *"And whatever you do, do it wholeheartedly, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people."* — Colossians 3:23

- C** The Trustees remain committed to maintaining and improving our church facilities so they can continue serving the needs of our congregation and community. We are grateful for your prayers, support, and faithful stewardship as we plan future improvements and complete ongoing projects.
- O** **Fireside Room Project Update**
The next project on our list is the Fireside Room. The ceiling will be thoroughly cleaned, and the room will receive a fresh coat of paint. We look forward to giving this well-used space a bright, renewed look.
- R** **Kitchen Update: 30" Range FIXED!!**
The oven in the 30" (small) range in the church kitchen is NOW working. THANK YOU **WAYNE GARBOR** for fixing the range. We greatly appreciate it!
- N** **Church Bathroom Renovation Project**
We will discuss further at the next Voters' Assembly in November.
- E**
- R**

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



Children's Christmas Program practices beginning on October 14!

Practices for this year's Children's Christmas program will be held on Wednesdays, October 14 thru December 16 during **Grace on Wednesdays** and during **Sunday School** until December 13. All children aged 4th through 4th grade are encouraged to join in.

The program will be presented on **Sunday, December 20** during the **10:30 service**.

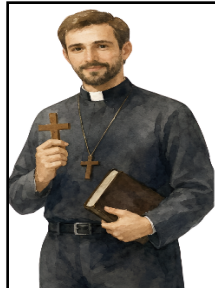
If you have questions, please contact our Children's Ministry Director, Mitzi Lyon.

See Through the Scriptures

Begins **Wednesday, October 28**

at **10:30 a.m.** in the **Boardroom**. Open to all adults *See Through the Scriptures*[®] offers a clear, step-by-step walk through the entire biblical narrative—from Genesis to Revelation—using 44 full-color teaching graphics to help students understand and remember key themes. With a Student Manual and Workbook, participants will explore major doctrines and deepen their understanding of Scripture. All adults are welcome, regardless of church affiliation. **Please sign up on the sheet outside the Church Office.**

As one pastor noted, *"This is a fine opportunity to get your feet wet in Bible study without diving off the deep end of the pool."*



OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Pastor Woods and Pastor Knutson for their faithful ministry—every day, every month, all year long.

Please take a moment this month to express your gratitude and bless them with your words of encouragement, prayers, and acts of kindness.

Let us give thanks to God for their leadership and service in Christ's name.



*Faith Alone
Scripture Alone
Christ Alone!*

Please join with Lutherans across
Kentuckiana to celebrate!

Reformation Service

Sunday, October 25 at 3:00 pm

Our Saviour Lutheran Church, Louisville, KY

Preacher: Pastor Dennis Ouellette

With the Installation of Pastor Peter Brock
as Pastor to Cedar Lake Lodge, LaGrange, KY

Presider: The Rev Dr. Richard Stuckwisch
LCMS Indiana District President

A Light Reception will follow the Service.

NOVEMBER 1, 2026

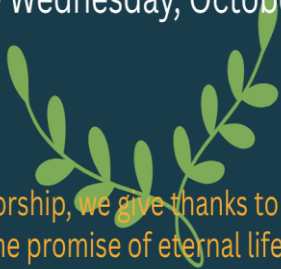
ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

On All Saints' Sunday, during the worship services, we will honor and remember the members of our congregation who have passed away since November 2025.

If you have lost a loved one or friend this past year and would like them included on our family and friends list, please contact Karen in the church office at 812-944-1267 before Wednesday, October 28th.



As we gather in worship, we give thanks to God for their lives and rejoice in the promise of eternal life through Christ.



QUILT TACKING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

10 AM - NOON CHURCH FIRESIDE ROOM

COFFEE

FELLOWSHIP

DEVOTIONS

No experience needed.

Please bring a pair of scissors.



Come, Join us for devotions, coffee and Fellowship!

Envision Financial Advisors

Unlock the Power of A Charitable Giving Strategy

The free workshop, *Charitable Strategies to Maximize Impact*, originally scheduled for **Saturday, Oct 24th**, has been **POSTPONED** to a later date. If you have any questions, please contact Perry Krause at 812-987-5895 or email perrykrause@gmail.com.

GRIEF & SHARE[®]

Sundays at church, 1:00 – 3:00 pm

Sunday, October 25 - Session 3: Loneliness & Sadness

All materials for the class are provided

WISHING YOU COMFORT AND PEACE AS YOU NAVIGATE THROUGH YOUR GRIEF.

Contact Pastor Woods, 502-523-9327 or PW@glcna.org for more information.

God's Love is Sweet



Songs, Devo, Trunk or Treat, & Games
Wednesday, October 28th
6:00-7:30 (Free Dinner Served at 5:30)
Grace Lutheran Church -
1787 Klerner Lane, New Albany, IN
Wear your fun costumes!!
(Nothing Scary Please)

Trunk or Treat Cars Needed!!

**Please bring your
own candy
(At least 200 pieces)**

**Decorate your car
for the kids!!
October 28th
5:30-7:30
Nothing Scary
MAKE IT FUN**

**Lot opens at
5:30
Cars decorated
by 6:20!**

**Sign up by
October 25th
at glcna.org
or call church
office.**

**Prizes For The Cars That
Are...**

- Most Creative
- Most Interactive with the kids
- Shines Jesus the most

Sharing God's Love

Kentuckiana Zone Lutheran Women in Mission 2026 Fall Retreat

*By this, everyone will know that you are my disciples,
if you love one another. John 13:35*



**Saturday,
October 24, 2026**



**9:00 AM Registration,
Program 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM**



**Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
1711 Ring Rd East, Elizabethtown, KY**



\$10 per person - including lunch.



**In gathering for Individuals in
Assisted Living and Memory Care:**

Personal care products if possible - adult puzzle books,
puzzles, and coloring books

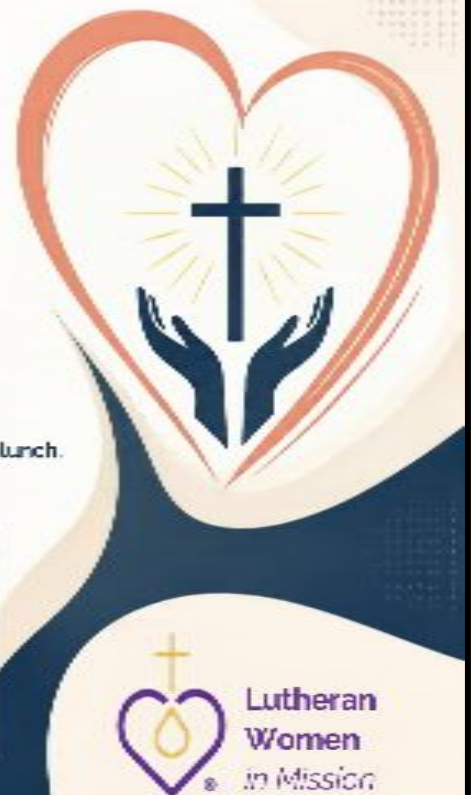
- Please bring a hot glue gun
for our project if you have one.



**We will carpool
from Grace at 8:15 am**



**If you would like a ride,
please sign the
signup sheet outside
the church office.**



It's Time to Start Planning

The Women of Grace

Craft Market and Bake Shop



November 7



Church Fireside Room



2:00 - 7:00



VENDOR BOOTHS

Fee: \$25.00 per 8 ft. table

The Fireside Room will be available for church members and outside vendors to rent booth space. Applications available on table outside the church office.



SET-UP TIME:

Saturday, November 7 (day of sale) 9:00 - 1:00.



CRAFTS AND BAKED GOODS

Crafts & baked goods for the Women of Grace vendor table are needed & can be dropped off Thursday, 11/5, 12-4:00; Friday, 11/6, 8:30-4:00 or Saturday, 11/7, 9:00 - 1:00



SUGGESTED DONATIONS

Wreaths, ornaments, doilies, etc., breads, cakes, cookies, candy, pie, cupcakes, etc., and flowers, jams, jellies, honey.



SILENT AUCTION WILL BE HELD DURING THE MARKET & BAKE SHOP

- Donations for the auction must be brought to church before 10/29.
- For drop-off arrangements, contact Colleen Garber at 502-494-4853.



Questions?

Colleen Garber: 502-494-4853 or Cathy Hussing: 812-786-5601



Please label and price all donated items.

— • YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR ANNUAL • —

Turkey Supper



**SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 7, 2026**



**DRIVE-THRU
3:30-6:30**



**DINE-IN
4:00 - 7:00**



Drive-thru: Adults and Children: \$15.00 each.



Dine-in: Adults \$15.00 & Children 8 and under \$10.



Menu: turkey, dressing, dumplings, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce, slaw or carrot salad, roll, and dessert.

Craft Market & Bake Shop

2:00-7:00

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

1787 Klerner Lane, New Albany IN 47150
(812) 944-1267 | glcna.org

Turkey Supper Prep Schedule

The time is quickly approaching for our beloved annual Turkey Supper, Craft and Bake Shop. As always, we depend on the generosity and teamwork of our congregation to make this event a success. We are seeking food donations as well as volunteers to assist with setup, serving, and cleanup.

Sign-up sheets are available in the main church entryway. Many hands and contributions are needed.

This cherished tradition continues because of your kindness, participation, and support. Thank you for being part of it!

Help us share this event by picking up a flier from the Welcome Center and passing it along to friends, neighbors, and nearby businesses.

● Sunday, November 1

Bring all donated items to church (desserts can be dropped off Saturday morning, 11/7).

● Monday, November 2 -9:00 am

Pull bread for dressing, make copper coins, chop celery and onions. (help needed)

● Thursday, Nov. 5 - 9:00 am

Bake turkeys in the big kitchen (help needed)

● Friday, Nov. 6 - 10:45 am, Big Kitchen

Slice turkeys (help needed)

● Saturday, November 7 - 9:00

Prepare dippers (slaw, cranberries, etc.) (help needed)



Children's Ministry



On Dec. 9 & 13
the children will be
learning how to be a
"Good Samaritan."
They will be putting
together 100 snack
bags for The Ronald
McDonald House.

**Please consider donating Items needed
for this project.**

**All donations are needed by Sunday,
December 6.**

ITEMS NEEDED:

Protein Snack (Peanut Butter or Cheese
Crackers, Beef Sticks), Salty Snack (Snack Mix,
Goldfish, Pretzels), Sweet Treat (Rise Krispie,
Cookie, Granola Bar), Bowl Fruit /Apple sauce
Squeeze, Small bottle of Water.

FORT NIGHT IRL



Bring your blankets and get ready for
an epic night of building forts!

Nov. 20th 6-10pm

Sign up at luthyouth.com by Nov. 8th

2 CORINTHIANS 5:1-10

Any questions about
Jr. & Sr. High youth events,
please contact Rose Ebling.



November 8th

CANDY BAR SUNDAY

Take advantage of the after Halloween sales
to get a good price on candy.
It will be used for encouragement packets and
Christmas Stockings. All candy should be
individually wrapped.

Blood Drive

**Thursday, November 19
1:00 - 6:00 pm**

Grace Lutheran Church
Fellowship Hall/Gym

To Make an Appointment

1. Go to RedCrossBlood.org and
enter code: *GraceLutheranNA*
2. call 1-800-733-2767

**GIVE BLOOD, SAVE LIVES
MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15 DURING LATE SERVICE

We will welcome all the new
individuals and families that have
joined membership since March
2026, including those joining us from
the current Pastor's Class.



WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!

Small Reception in Fireside Room
after late service. Plan to stop by and
introduce yourselves!



Sunday, 10/25

Joe Clark
Suzanne Motsinger
Anita Cambron
Christine Clifford

Kalyn Rice
Emmalynn Woods

Monday, 10/26

Jill Green

Tuesday, 10/27

Sandy Young
Fred Mildener

Wednesday, 10/28

Julie Frisby
Lukas Ginkins\ Marian
Ayiku-Teye

Friday, 10/29

Marty Hoepfner
Erica Thompson

Uri Isenburg

Sunday, 11/1

Jackie King
Samantha Weathers



Happy Anniversary This Week

Sunday, 10/25

Warren & Rachel
Bouteiller

Tuesday, 10/27

Bill & Sue Boyd

Thursday, 10/29

Darrell & Sue Shewmaker
George & Laurie Streib

Jon & Rachel Camilotto

Monday, 10/26

Mike & Sarah Leis

Sunday, 11/1

RJ & Bethany Kern

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

No Saturday Worship Service Saturday, November 7, 2026

Please note that there will be **NO Saturday worship service** on November 7 due to our Annual Turkey Supper and Craft Market. Thank you for adjusting your plans accordingly.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18 – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

OCTOBER 25, SUNDAY

Worship, 8:00 (Communion)

• SUNDAY SCHOOL, 9:15

- Age 4 – 4th grade practice for Christmas program
- Infants – 12th grade classes
- Pastor Knutson's Bible Class for parents of young children (7th grade classroom)
- The Youngs' Bible Class (Boardroom)
- Pastor Woods' Bible class (Fireside Room)
- **Worship, 10:30 am (Communion)**
- Pastor's Class (Boardroom), 1:00
- GriefShare Class, 1:00 pm (Fireside Room)
- Bingo, Fellowship Hall 12:00-2:00 pm
- Circuit Reformation Service, Our Savior Lutheran, 3:00 pm

OCTOBER 26, MONDAY

- Quilt Tacking, Fireside room, 10-12pm
- Scouts, 6:00 pm

OCTOBER 27, TUESDAY

- Seniors Trip, leaving church at 9:30 am
- Caring/Discipleship Team, board room 7:00 pm

OCTOBER 28, WEDNESDAY

See Thru the Scriptures Bible class, board room 10:30 am
Age 4 – 4th grade practice for Christmas Program
during Grace on Wednesdays

- Grace on Wednesday Classes

Supper: 5:30 Classes: 6:00-7:30

- Choir Rehearsal, 6:00 pm

OCTOBER 29, THURSDAY

- Thursday Saints Bible Class, 10:30 (Fireside Room)

OCTOBER 30, FRIDAY

- LifeWise Class (Fellowship Hall), 10:00-10:40
- Fireside Room reserved, 5:30-8:00 pm

OCTOBER 31, SATURDAY

- Worship, 5:00 pm (Communion)

NOVEMBER 1, SUNDAY, ALL SAINTS DAY

ALL TURKEY DONATIONS DUE TODAY!

BRING YOUR CAN TO CHURCH

Worship, 8:00 (Communion)

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www.glcna.org

Services, Events, Ministries, Grace News and More!

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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 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, 10/17	5:00 pm	76
Sunday, 10/18	8:00 am	87
Sunday, 10/18	10:30 am	109

Budget Needed weekly: \$17,003.00.

Sunday, October 11, Total: \$14,418.18

\$ 5186.10	Envelopes
\$ 190.00	Loose Plate
\$ 4342.18	Vanco
\$ 4700.00	Other

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www.luthyouth.org

Worship with Us

Saturdays, 5:00 pm

Sundays

8:00 & 10:30 am

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