Equipper

Equipping God's people as we celebrate, teach, and share God's Grace.

September, 2019



SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE ENDS LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Sunday, September 1, 9:00 am

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CELEBRATION

SPECIAL Thursday, September 5 - 6:30 pm @ church TIME

Sunday, September 8

10:00 am Worship @ School (Inside this year)

Bring your lawn chairs if you like and enjoy a special celebration.

11:30 am Picnic

Sunday, September 15

8 am & 10:30 am at Church

Sunday School / Bible Class Begins-9:15 am

Women's Bible Study Begins

Wednesday, September 18 - 9:30 am

CONFIRMATION PARENTS MEETING

6th, 7th 8th grade (parents only) (Grace Member Families) Tuesday, September 9

6:30 pm @ school



Grace Lutheran Church School, & ECC Oak Creek, Wisconsin

Rev. Dean A. Dummer

<u>Principal</u> Mr. Steve Gettelman

Early Childhood Center Mrs. Rachel Miliacca

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Articles may be submitted to: pastor@graceoakcreek.org

Deadline for October Equipper: October 17th

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Christian Education Sunday Grace Lutheran Picnic

Sunday, September 8, 2019
10:00 a.m. Church Service @ School (Non-Communion)

Installation of Katie Barboza as our new 1st & 2nd grade teacher.

Celebrating our High School, Day School, ECC, Sunday School, Confirmation, Bible Class!

(For safety reasons our service will be indoors....

But still bring your lawn chairs along for the service)

11:30 a.m. Picnic, Fun, Fellowship and Games and a Car Show!
Burgers, hot dogs, and pot luck food items will be served.



Kickball game for ALL AGES follows the meal! All who do not participate are asked to cheer the teams on!

ALL ARE WELCOME FOR FELLOWSHIP, FOOD, & FUN!

Burgers and hotdogs will be provided at this FREE event!! This picnic will be a traditional Grace Lutheran pot-luck! We are asking those who come to bring something to contribute to the picnic fare. Please **bring your lawn chairs** and join us for a day of fellowship, food, and fun! Cost of picnic is being covered through Thrivent funds. A free will offering will be taken and monies will be divided between LC-MS Disaster relief and "Comfort Dogs" (An LC-MS program that takes dogs into areas that have been hit by disaster to provide comfort and support for the victims.)

Worship Schedule:
Thursday Sep 5: 6:30 pm @ Church
Sunday Sep 8: 10 am @ School

SUNDAY SCHOOL, CONFIRMATION AND BIBLE CLASS BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 15th.



If you have an older or newer model car or motorcycle, please join in and include it with all the other cars in our show! We would love to see it!

Church Picnic Sign-up Form

September 8, 2019

Please complete and return this Page to usher or drop off at the school office or the ECC.

You may also call the church office (762-8990).

Please leave a message and let us know how many are attending as well as any other information from this sheet.

Name:		# Attend	ling:
I will bring the following ite	m(s):		
Fruit/Fruit Salad Other (Please specify.)	Vegetable / Pasta Salad	Chips	Dessert
At the picnic, I (we) can help	o with the following (Many hands a	are needed!):	
Putting food out/servir	ng (Meet in the kitchen after church service.)	
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Fall Worship Schedule Begins September 17

Sunday Worship

8:00 am & 10:30 am

Thursday Worship

6:30 pm



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In Praise to the Lord!!

Sing to the Lord, all the earth! Tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations! (1 Chronicles 16:23–24a)

This was the LWML Convention theme that was held in June, we will be using it as a focus for our Ladies Guild year.

- Sing and rejoice in celebration of His Word.
- Tell of His salvation for all.
- Declare His glory among the nations.
- Go forth in His joy!

Please join us! Next Meeting:

Tuesday-September 10th-7pm at school

LWML Sunday- October 13th

"Faith Like a Mustard Seed" is the theme for LWML Sunday 2019, based on Jesus' words in Luke 17:6 that faith as small as a mustard seed can move a mulberry tree. We may long for a greater and more heroic faith, but what about the faith we have right now? LWML Sunday 2019 celebrates the power of a daily walk with Jesus to transform lives and multiply disciples. Little faith or great, there are mulberry trees to be moved!

Help us celebrate the Lutheran Women's Missionary League!

RISE AND SONSHINE BIBLE STUDY

Ladies of Grace!

Start your weekend with being in God's Word! Saturday-September 28th 7am-8:30am at Grace School

Bible Study::

Entrusted: A Study of 2 Timothy
By Beth Moore

This is a video based bible study.

Final words can be compelling. In Paul's final letter, he charged Timothy, his beloved son in the faith, to not be ashamed to fulfill God's call on his life. In this 6-session Bible study, Beth Moore challenges you to do the same.

We meet on the 2^{nd} and 4^{th} Saturdays of the month. (**No meeting Sept. 14th**)

If you are interested in attending, please contact Jennifer Olen (305-3740) so the books can be ordered.



Be included in the Grace Lutheran directory

Lifetouch will be photographing all of our families for a new church directory.







What to expect

- A professional photography session, no session fees.
- View your images after your session and make your selections.
- You will receive one FREE 8x10 standard print and church directory plus other special offers.

Photography dates & hours:

Friday, October 25th, 2pm-9pm Saturday, October 26th, 9am-4pm Wednesday, October 30th, 2pm-9pm Thursday, October 31st, 2pm-9pm

Sign up for your photography session

- Go to www.graceoakcreek.org
- Visit sign up tables before or after upcoming services
- Call the church office
- Call Lifetouch at 1-866-756-0281,
 Monday Friday 8am 4pm



churchdirectories.lifetouch.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

Family Ministry Night

Thursday September 19th 5:00 pm @ School Gym

Get to know other families at our school as we join together for a free dinner, and some fun family activities. We'll end by 6:15. Those interested are invited to join us for our worship service at 6:30. We'll be having a special service explaining what our worship service is all about.

Adult Information Class

Saturdays: Sep 28 – Nov 23 10:00 am – 11:15 am @ School Library

This will be a 9 week course taught by pastor. What do Lutherans believe, teach and confess about God our relationship with Him? All are encouraged to attend. Taking part in this class in no way means you have to become a member of our church, however, those who are interested in possibly becoming a member at Grace would have to take this course. We'll have a great time as we explore the Bible through the use of Luther's Small Catechism.

Register for this class by either:

Talking to pastor

Texting pastor with the names of those attending at 414-305-3365 Stopping into the school office and leaving your name with Dena.

If you have additional questions, please be sure to speak with pastor!

LWML South Wis District Zone 1 Board Meeting

Saturday, September 28th—9:30 am @ School Hosted by our Ladies Guild

LWML South Wis District Zone 1 Fall Rally

Saturday, October 19th—8:30 am @ School

Hosted by our Ladies Guild. All women of Grace are invited to this special event!

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Fall Craft Night!

Tuesday, September 24th starting at 6:00 pm.

Hosted by Tricia Dachel 9728 S Rustic Place, Oak Creek, WI

Join us for a fun night of crafting, snacking and laughing! No crafty skills required! Our chosen project is a fall wreath – there will be a variety of colors to choose so you can make it your own. See the samples at Church with the sign up sheet

What to do:

- 1) Sign Up or Call/Text Tricia at 414-578-0457
- 2) Let Tricia know what initial you'd like for your wreath (if wanted)
- 3) On craft nite, bring a snack and project money and be ready for some fun!

The project cost is \$20 per wreath.

Note, This is not a fundraiser, the cost will simply be the cost of the supplies needed for the project.

Brought to you by Grace Outings!

Mark Olen, Tricia Dachel, Jennifer Gettelman



"Be Realistic!"

1 Peter 2:9-10 - But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for His own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

A ragged poster thumb-tacked behind the cash register in a variety store near my home shows a bedraggled cartoon character complaining, "I've been yelled at cheated, swindled, cussed, and beaten up. The only reason I stick around is to see what will happen next."

Probably all of us have felt a little like this at times. Sadly though, for some people such cynicism has become a way of life. Satan, salesman that he is, convinces even some of God's people to adopt such a negative life-view.

"Be realistic," the devil coos smoothly. "This situation is impossible. No one could have peace in such circumstances. No one could feel joyful now. No one could claim to live victoriously under *these* conditions."

How do we counter the devil's offensives? How do we answer his challenges? How do we beat his powerful temptations to negativism, fear, depression, and defeat? Strangely enough, the answer lies precisely in *being realistic*.

We need to look realistically at who and what we are by faith in Christ Jesus. We're not the weak, rejected, unloved wretches Satan would have us believe. We're sons and daughters of the King of kings. We're chosen, precious, gifted by His grace. The same Holy Spirit who empowered our Lord Jesus Himself when our Savior walked upon the earth lives right inside us! Jesus defeated death, hell, sin, and Satan -- and He shares His victory with us.

Try reading 1 Peter 2:9-10 four or five times every morning and evening for a week. Think *realistically* about what our Lord tells us concerning our relationship with Him, our standing before Him.

Next, be realistic about God's willingness to act on your behalf as His child. As Christians we need not allow our feelings to be blown back and forth in the changing winds of outside circumstances. Someone has counted over 32,000 promises God makes to His people in His Word. Find one or more that apply to the difficulties you face. Then read them often each day. Turn them over in your mind. Talk to God about them. Remind Him of what He has promised to do for you.

Worry is nothing less than meditating on Satan's lies about what might happen or what could happen or what looks likely to happen. We need to fill our minds with the truth of God's promises to His children. We need to praise Him for the realistic hope that is ours because He does indeed keep every one of His great and precious promises.

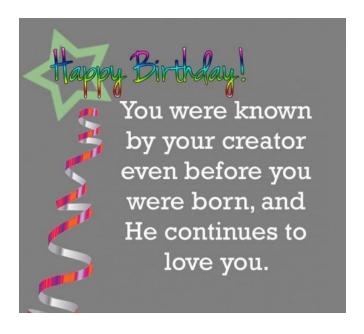
At times we may not feel like focusing on God's Word; we may not feel like praising Him or speaking to Him in prayer. But with the Spirit's power, we can respond in obedience to His prompting. Feelings will follow actions. And when we fill our hearts with His Word, God promises that His peace will guard, watch over, and protect our hearts and minds, our thoughts and emotions. We can look at things realistically -- truly, realistically.

THE PRAYER: Lord, remind us to be realistic to Your Word. You have given us strength and power through Your Holy Spirit to overcome our flesh and keep our mind stayed on You. Thank You for Your great promises. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

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August Birthdays

Name	Month/Day
Voss, Marlene	8/3
Flower, Margaret	8/5
Pieper, Janine	8/6
Praxel, Barbara	8/7
Leonard, Marlene	8/9
Anderson, Logan	8/12
Umaske, Deanna	8/13
Nowakowski, Greg	8/14
Simmons, Laura	8/14
Kolb, Kathy	8/16
Morgan, Robert	8/16
Voss, Adam	8/16
Kelley, Emily	8/19
Morrissette, Alyssa	8/19
Mick, Margaret	8/21
Robinson, James	8/21
Zalar, Joseph	8/21
Miszewski, Stena	8/22
Puetz, Gregory	8/22
Koehn, Ashlee	8/23
Meyer, Christine	8/24
Wald, Ariel	8/24
Concepcion,	8/25
Kraning, Phyllis	8/25
Olen, Mark	8/25
Norton, Jacob	8/27
Heinen, Harper	8/28
Novak, Rodney	8/29
Roush, Craig	8/29
Anderson, Sarah	8/31





September Birthdays

Name	Month/D
Butler, Heather	9/1
Hamburger, Sandra	9/1
Mallon, Chase	9/1
Soles, Lacey	9/2
King, Meredith	9/3
Larsen, Robert	9/3
Pankow, David	9/4
Parker, Harold	9/4
Zunker, Easton	9/4
Barrett, John	9/5
Mendez, Justin	9/6
Parker III, Chester	9/6
Davis, Susan	9/8
Simmons, Scott	9/9
Kamprath, Nathan	9/10
Olen, Gail	9/13
Poellet, Derek	9/13
Vangalis II, Aaron	9/13
Heinen, Benjamin	9/14
Moeller, Kim	9/14
Perez IV, Joseph	9/14
Poellet, Jennifer	9/14
Gottwald, Jordynn	9/15
Partl, Oleta	9/15
Kopperud, Susan	9/18
Gettelman, Steven	9/20
Herte, Sandra	9/20
Kilponen, Robert	9/20
Morgan Jr., Robert	9/21
Parker, Pauline	9/21



Bleeke, Corliss	9/22
Dotson, Donna	9/23
Urbaniak, Darlene	9/24
Parker, Skylar	9/25
Edgerton, Wyatt	9/26
Klipfel, Douglas	9/26
Oelke, Julia	9/27
Tuskowski, Mark	9/27
Elliott, Laura	9/30
Lemmer, Pat	9/30



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Radio Worship Services

"The Lutheran Hour" can be heard every Sunday Morning at 6:00 AM on WGN 720 AM, Chicago or at 6:30 AM on WTMJ 620 AM or at 11:00 am WRRD 540 AM, Milwaukee.

"The Lutheran Hour," which began in 1930, is the world's oldest continually broadcast Gospel radio program. This weekly half-hour program, now heard on more than 1,200 radio stations, proclaims the message of Jesus Christ to a world-wide audience.

"Woman To Woman" is a nationally syndicated weekly half-hour radio talk show that nurtures and provides encouragement for women throughout North America. It can be heard on Saturday at 7:00 PM on WGLB 1560 AM, Milwaukee or on Sunday at 11:30 AM at WRRD 540 AM, Milwaukee.

Stimulating conversation between host Phyllis Wallace and her interesting guests explores issues which impact women. "Woman To Woman" promotes the spiritual growth of its listeners while providing practical lifestyle information. It equips women to live and share the truth of God's Word in their many relationships: friends, spouses, parents and children.

Lutheran TV — "On Main Street"

(WTMJ, Channel 4 Sunday 4:30 AM)

On Main Street is a pre-recorded half-hour weekly television program which shares practical spiritual teaching on today's issues from a Christ-centered, Biblical perspective. Each On Main Street episode explores a different life problem. Program host, Dr. Dale A. Meyer, is joined by a featured expert guest and select panel members for a candid discussion of the program's topic.



In order to request prayers by members of Grace, please contact one of the following people. Your request will be made known to all members of our Prayer Line. Prayer requests for worship service should be directed to the church office or Pastor Dummer.

10 AM-3 PM Carol Thurber —762-9615

3 PM-9 PM Chet & Pauline Parker — 764-5574

Internet Prayerline

Pauline Parker paulinemom@aol.com

INFORMATION LINKS

Click on any of these Hyperlinks. You'll be taken to the appropriate spot on our website!

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On-Line to Request a Prayer

(Opens an e-mail—Fill out your request ... it will be sent directly to pastor.)