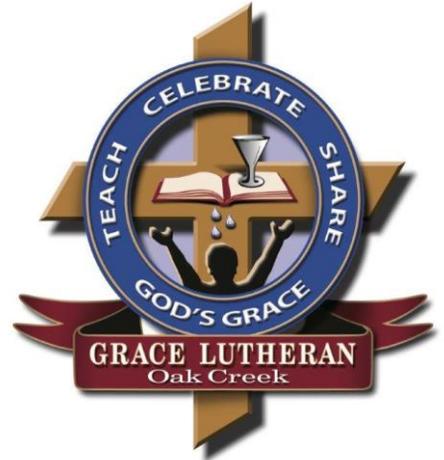


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Equipping God's people as we celebrate, teach, and share God's Grace.

June/July



Jesus, Our Ascended Lord, Praying for You

***"¹¹And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth."* (John 17:11b-19)**

Jesus, our crucified, risen, and ascended Lord, the One who has defeated sin, death, and the Devil himself is now living in Heaven and praying for you. A Lutheran Pastor once had a conversation with a parishioner, in the kitchen of the fellowship hall, getting ready for the spaghetti dinner, pre-Covid of course. Joyce was filling one of those large coffee pots with water and the Pastor was browning meat for the sauce. The Pastor asked how her daughter was doing. Weeks ago, her daughter had been hospitalized and diagnosed with the onset of juvenile diabetes. The Pastor was remembering a particular visit to the hospital. The medical team was there to check on her daughter and Joyce asked many questions. Unfortunately, the medical team was so intent on their work that they disregarded Joyce. As they turned to leave, Joyce said to her Pastor, *"Just a minute, Pastor,"* and she went out in the hall and planted herself right in front of the doctors and staff. She stood there, determined, aggressive, and demanding they talk to her and answer her questions about her daughter.

The Pastor had never seen this side of Joyce before. She was normally so quiet. At church functions, she would be in the background, preparing the coffee or cleaning up... not getting all up in someone's face. So, it surprised him. While they were working in the kitchen, the Pastor said to her, *"You know, Joyce, I saw a side of you I'd never seen before in the hospital."* She knew what he was talking about. But, instead of admitting it, she just smiled and said, *"Really, Pastor?"* The Pastor said, *"Yeah. That time you chased the doctors out into the hall and demanded they talk to you."* *"Oh Pastor,"* she said, shaking her head. *"You know me, I'm pretty harmless. People mess with me and I don't care. I figure I can take it. But..."* she said, and at this point she turned off the water with determination, *"...but you mess with my children and you've got another thing coming."*

That other thing was love; protective, parenting love. A love that will not let go until every question has been answered, every possible way has been tested, and every path of healing has been explored. A love that will fight for one's children. A love that can be relied on in time of trouble. This is the kind of love Jesus expresses in these words of His High Priestly prayer from John 17. It is a protective, parenting love that can be relied on in time of trouble.

It is the night of His betrayal. Soon, Jesus will be tried, beaten, and broken on a cross. His disciples will desert Him. His church will reject Him. The Roman government will crucify Him. There is so much for Him to pray for in these last moments of His life. For Himself, that God will remove this suffering or give Him the strength to endure it. For His mission, that the work He has done will not have been performed in vain. For the world, that it will change and not reject God's working. But, what does Jesus pray for in this moment? He focuses on His disciples.

On the night when He was betrayed, Jesus prays for His disciples. He does this out of love, a love that is fierce, protective, and parenting. Jesus once said of His sheep that, *"No one will snatch them out of My hand"* (10:28). He will not let go of the ones His Father has given Him. In this prayer, we overhear His love. It is a love which will protect us to the end.

That is what is so beautiful about reading this prayer after our Lord's death on the cross for the forgiveness of our sins, His resurrection from the dead, and ascension into heaven. This love of Jesus continues. It lives on. He has conquered the forces of sin, death, and the Devil. He has risen from the dead and ascended into Heaven and now sits at His Father's right hand. He lives on and He lives on to love on. And He does it by lifting His people in prayer.

Jesus knows what will happen to His disciples. He knows they will be confronted, accused, beaten, and martyred. But He does not pray God would take them out of this world. No, Jesus has no fear of this world. *"In the world, you will have trouble," He says, "but fear not, for I have overcome the world"* (16:33). So, Jesus prays to His Father to protect us as we engage in His mission in the world.

"I do not ask that You take them out of the world," Jesus says, *"but that You keep them from the Evil One"* (John 17:15). The mission of God is difficult. Sometimes, it calls us to walk in ways that are isolating, to work in environments that are hostile, and to speak in conversations that are conflicted. But it is the way of Jesus. It is the way of our God who enters places of death to bring about life. Jesus prays for you today and He will be praying for you tomorrow, that His Father protect you from the Evil One. He has gone into Heaven and taken His place next to His Father and remembers you in prayer.

Imagine that... the One who has defeated sin, death, and the Devil himself is now living in Heaven and praying for you. Because of His glorious death and resurrection, there is no sin we know which cannot be forgiven, no anger we endure which cannot lead to reconciliation, and no death we encounter which will not lead to resurrection. *"This is where all our comfort lies."* Martin Luther writes on Jesus' words in the *"High Priestly Prayer,"* John 17:14, *"They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world."*

"This is where all our comfort lies. That is why He repeats it so often and impresses it upon their hearts and minds. It is as if He were saying: "You feel and lament that you must remain in the world that does not want to endure you and inflicts every hardship upon you. I know well that you are exposed to danger and to worry at every moment. But let this comfort suffice you: they shall have no power over you. For you do not belong to the world but to my Father. Let the world go where it belongs, to its god, the devil. But you shall be protected and preserved, even in the midst of the world, and shall have no portion in it, until God determines the time and takes you from it, so that you may escape the misfortune and destruction that must come upon it." (LW 69:90)

Today, Jesus stands before His Father interceding & praying for you. He does not want to take you out of the world but to send you into it. He promises you the power of God and the certainty of His love. This love will not let His people go but will continue, in mission, to reach out into the world, until the day He returns and brings about a new creation.

See You in Worship,
Pastor John M. Tagatz



CARE RECEIVERS SHARE HOW THEIR STEPHEN MINISTERS MADE A DIFFERENCE

Although my needs changed as I went from wife to caregiver to widow, my Stephen Minister's love and support remained a constant, *She was there at every stage of my journey*, helping me through some of the most difficult moments of my life---so I could begin to heal.

Susan

When things seemed like too much to handle, my Stephen Minister brought normalcy and calm. With him by my side, I knew I could make it from one week to the next. I could feel God's presence when my Stephen Minister was there.

James

My Stephen Minister was a consistent presence walking with me through my divorce. He would always show up, and *most importantly, he refused to give up on me*. I'll forever be grateful for the way he changed my life.

-Ralph

When I was with my Stephen Minister, *I felt Jesus was with me*. I saw the love of God in her eyes while we talked and prayed and it would fill me with such comfort and peace. It helped me know that I could make it through.

-Ashley

After the death of my Mom, *I needed someone who would listen*--even to the same stories over and over--and who wouldn't be afraid to say her name or bring up her memory. That's who my Stephen Minister was, and I don't know how I would have gotten through it without her.

-Molly

When someone you love is terminally ill, people often pull back because they're scared and don't know what to say. But my *Stephen Minister stood with me through it all*--listening, talking, and helping me on the journey. It was so reassuring to know he was by my side.

-Andrew

My Stephen Minister listens--really listens. *He doesn't judge me or tell me what to do* but walks side by side with me. I never realized how helpful and healing that can be. With his care and support, I'm making it through.

-Brian

My Stephen Minister loves me, listens to me, cares for me, prays for me, supports me, and *gives me a safe, confidential relationship* where I can totally share my heart. No matter how much I have to unload on her, she listens to whatever is going on.

-Celeste

I am blessed with an amazing Stephen Minister. She's been genuinely attentive and caring ever since she came alongside me. She is kind of fearless in that way--*she'll just be there without trying to fix me* or talk me out of my feelings as I struggle with what's happening.

-Nancy

I needed to know that there was one person in the world who knew the good, the bad, and the ugly about me--and still cared for me. Experiencing that through my Stephen Minister was *a tangible expression of God's love*. It changed my life.

-Julia

How can you get a Stephen Minister at Grace?

If you or someone you know could benefit from the care of a Stephen Minister, you can talk to Pastor Taggatz 715-467-1231 or to one of the Stephen Leaders: Jeanne Meyer 423-0010, Chris Cotter 324-9768, Lori Kachelmeier 828-0290 or one of our Stephen Ministers, Bob Morgan, Jan Barrett, Pat Lemmer, Donna Wenzel, Beth or Richard Jackson, Adam Voss, Gail Olen, or Pauline Parker. Our Stephen Leaders are also Stephen Ministers.



Grief Support Group

GriefShare

Tuesdays, May 25 to Aug. 24, 2021*

6 to 8 pm

Hales Corners Library, Lower Level, Hunt Room

5885 S. 116th St., Hales Corners, WI

Register at www.griefshare.org

* No group on June 8th. Group will switch to a Monday night
the weeks of 7/12/21 & 8/9/21

Ministry of Hales Corners Lutheran Church
12300 W. Janesville Road, Hales Corners, WI 53130

414-529-6700 jluther@hcl.org



This Group is *not* sponsored
by the Hales Corners Library.

Stewardship Corner

Being Available for Service

In every church, there are people who continually rise to the occasion to get the work done. Although God calls each of us to follow and serve Him, many of us are much more concerned about our own lives and goals than assisting in the Lord's work. If we focus on "I, me, mine and myself," we take care of "number one" to the exclusion of helping and serving. In our prayers, we should be asking God to grant us hearts that want to serve, and we should be asking Him, "What do You want to achieve through me today?"

Prayer: Lord, I acknowledge You as the source of all that I am and have. Grant me a serving and generous heart so that I am willing to use my time in ways that extend Your kingdom. Help me to be a channel of Your love to others. In Christ's name I pray. Amen.



Blessings on your stewardship journey!

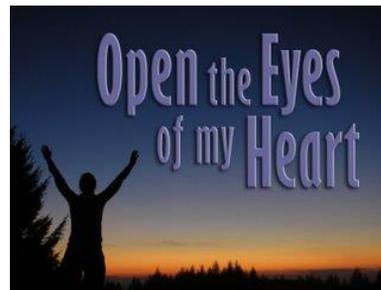
Guided by the Eyes of the Heart

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus spoke about two treasures (Matthew 6:19-20). We either seek "treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal" or "treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal." We are all treasure seekers because we either want to enjoy treasures on earth or treasures in heaven. Our choices, decisions, and actions are dictated by what we hold dear. What we treasure dictates how we think about ourselves and our relationships with others and most important with God.

So, what is your treasure? What causes you to love the treasures or the things of this world or the treasure that God offers? Why do some of us follow one path and others a different one? God gives us two eyes to see, and they are an enormous help for our existence. However, they do not provide help as to which treasure, we serve. In his book *Redeeming Money*, Paul David Tripp suggests that we have another pair of eyes and those eyes are eyes of the heart. This set of eyes makes up an important part of our vision system.

He wrote: *The eyes of the heart are always envisioning something. They are always fixed and focused on some hope, some dream, something you value. What the eyes of your heart envision will shape what your physical eyes look for and notice. Your physical vision is not neutral. No, it is guided by the eyes of your heart...What, for you, is the treasure dream that shapes the way you see your world? What physical things get your focus because they connect to the treasure that has already commanded the focus of your heart?...The treasures of your heart will always shape the way you see.*

Later in the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus said, "No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money" (verse 24). Jesus is telling us that either God or money will be our treasure and become the master in our hearts. We are told that we can't serve both God and money. In this verse, Jesus points out that money above everything else can keep our hearts from making Him our treasure. We can say that no heart is free. As Jesus said, we either seek treasures on earth or in heaven.



As sinful people, our hearts are inclined to seek treasures on earth. Only with God's Word working through the Holy Spirit can the grip that money and material things have on us be broken. In our prayers, let us ask God not only to give us good eyesight, but, more important, to give us even better vision with the eyes of our hearts so that we can clearly see the treasures in heaven which will give us joy and peace on earth and life eternal with Jesus.

Grace Ladies Guild



In May we were blessed to have Pastor Taggatz lead us in the 2021 LWML Prayer Service. *He Prayed With Them.* During the service we were given the opportunity to bring our prayer requests to our heavenly Father. How awesome to be reassured that God hears us and wants us to come to Him.

Guild was blessed with an anonymous donation to assist with our annual distribution of our offerings to missions and ministries...

Lutheran Deaf Ministry-\$75
Lutheran Disaster Relief-\$75
Concordia Seminary-\$75
Good Samaritan Fund-\$75
Grace Furnace/Boiler-\$75
Grace School -\$75



Note your calendars...
Guild will be back this Fall
September 11, 2021



LWML SWD Fall Retreat
September 17 & 18, 2021
Best Western Premier
Hotel & Conference Center
Oshkosh, WI

Theme:

- *Jesus is the Light*- John 9:5

Retreat Speaker:

- International Hymnal Consultant
Deaconess Sandra Rhein

Mites in Action Speaker:

- Deaconess Katherine Rittner,
Director of the CTSFW Food &
Clothing Co-op

Registration form is available at:
www.lwml-swd.org

RISE & SONSHINE
WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



Summer Schedule
8-9:00a.m.

June 12 – Lake Vista Park overlook
July 10 – Emerald Preserve Trail/Drexel Town Square
August 14 – Lake Vista Park overlook
inclement weather, meet at church

We continue joining together in the study...
Be Thou My Guide

Enjoy your summer!



June & July Announcements

Please Note

Call the church office at 414.762.8990...

- When a member of your family is admitted to the hospital, so a visit can be made by Pastor Taggatz.
- When your group plans to hold a meeting, so it can be cleared and placed on the church calendar.
- When your address, email, or your home or business phone number have changed, so church records can be corrected.
- When you are planning to move either out of town or locally.
- When you know you are pregnant so that we will be able to assist you in any way we can with prayers, encouragement and support.
- When a new baby arrives in your family and/or in the family of another church member.
- When you are planning a wedding or baptism.

Pastor Taggatz Office Hours

Monday 8:30 am-1:00 pm

Tuesday 8:30 am-1:00 pm

Wednesday 8:30 am-1:00 pm

Thursday 8:30 am-1:00 pm

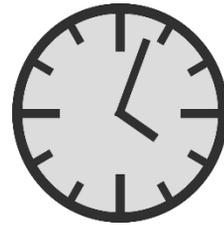
Friday (Pastor's Day Off)

Visitations: Monday-Thursday afternoons

For appointments or emergencies, call church office or Pastor's cell phone.

Pastor John M. Taggatz: 715.467.1231

Sarah Anderson, Church Secretary: 414.762.8990 | T-W-TH 8:15am-1:15pm



REMINDER: If you have any announcements and/or additions for the *Equipper* please forward to Sarah Anderson at church@graceoakcreek.org by the 17th of each month.

Pastor Taggatz's Vacation

Pastor will be on vacation June 20-22 and July 5th - July 18th.

Pastor James Klug is will be covering on Thursday, July 8th and Sunday, July 11th.

Pastor Roy Peterson, from Concordia University, Mequon, will be covering on Thursday, July 15th and Sunday, July 18th.



Grace Outings Presents



Cheers to Faith, Fellowship & Friendship - 2021 Grace Beer Garden Tour!
Mark your calendars and meet us at the Beer Garden! Bring family, friends, & a bag chair.
Find us under the Sun Flag!

Beer Garden	Date
Whitnall Park Beer Garden 8831 N Root River Parkway, Greendale	Friday, May 21, 4-7PM
Pop Up BierGarten at Abendschein Park 1321 E. Drexel Ave., Oak Creek	Friday, June 18, 4-7PM
South Shore Terrace Beer Garden 2900 S Shore Drive, Milwaukee	Friday, July 23, 4-7PM
The Vine Humboldt 3000 S Howell Ave, Milwaukee	Friday, August 20, 4-7PM
Oak Creek Lake Vista Traveling Beer Garden	September - TBD

Radio Worship Services

The Lutheran Hour can be heard any time on the internet at: lhm.org scroll down the page and click on "listen now." Or listen to any of these local radio stations on Sunday mornings.

WTMJ	Milwaukee, WI	103.3	FM	Sunday	6:30pm
WTMJ	Milwaukee, WI	620	AM	Sunday	5:30pm
WTMJ	Milwaukee, WI	620	AM	Sunday	6:30pm

UPDATE ON THE PARKING LOT PROJECT AT CHURCH

Currently we have about \$37,500 in dedicated funds to go towards the repair and replacement of our church parking lot. Please prayerfully consider making a gift to support the repair and replacement of our parking lot. We would like to start on this project sometime in the late Summer months of this year. Thank you for your ongoing support of the ministries at Grace!!!

Note: The total cost for replacing the parking lot is \$60,000.

How to Worship with Us at Grace Virtually During the Covid-19 Pandemic



We do realize that, due to this Covid-19 pandemic, some families may not be worshipping with us because of health concerns in their own family, and/or in their extended family and friends, or for reasons pertaining to their line of work. We do have the option of worshipping virtually... (the CHILDREN'S MESSAGE WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE VIRTUALLY)

For those who are worshipping virtually please go to our church website at: graceoakcreek.org and there on the homepage you will find the link to our worship service along with each week's worship bulletin. New worship services are streamed on our Facebook page every Thursday evening starting at 6:30pm. Please note: you do not need to have a Facebook account to watch these videos. To find our Facebook Page just copy and paste our URL:

<https://www.facebook.com/Grace-Lutheran-Church-School-Early-Childhood-Center-Oak-Creek-WI-108150349226557>

Also, if you would like to receive private communion with Pastor Tagatz, please contact him on his cell phone at: 715.467.1231 and he will arrange an appointment with you and/or your family.

Voter's Meeting

Please mark your calendars and plan on attending our next Voter's Meeting at church!! It will be on Sunday, June 13th after the 9:00 a.m. worship service. Special topics will include: Pastor's report, election of new officers, updates from church boards and on the progress of our church boiler repair and school furnace replacement. Thank you for your continued prayers and support of the ministries here at Grace! God Bless you!

VBS Update

On Tuesday, March 9th we had a short VBS Planning meeting. It was decided that, due to the continued Covid restrictions, we would have to put off having Vacation Bible School this Summer. However, there is some free material through *Answers in Genesis* that parents could use to have their children be involved in a virtual VBS this summer. *IncrediWorld VBS* is a thrill ride through God's amazing creation. It's a fun VBS with an amusement park theme (or, rather, an *amazement* park theme) and features teaching about creation, highlights some of the amazing creatures God has made, uses God's Word to view the world, presents the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and more.

The [Answers VBS YouTube channel](#) now features **Bible-lesson videos and puppet videos that can be used for your elementary-aged children.** They also have craft, game, snack, and science experiment videos that share the biblical truth that goes along with these tactile teaching tools. They have music videos (*contemporary and traditional styles*) and even special animal videos from Buddy Davis. These videos are all available in various *IncrediWorld* playlists on the Answers VBS YouTube channel.

The *Answers in Genesis* YouTube videos can be found at:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/AnswersVBS/playlists>

Extra resources for *Incrediworld VBS* can be found here:

<https://answersingenesis.org/vbs/incrediworld2020/resources/>

They are listed under *Incrediworld*, for Games, Snacks, Science Videos, Bible Lessons, Songs, and the like.

Youth Group News—On Saturday, May 22nd from 1:30-3:30pm our Grace Lutheran Youth Group did some yard work and a few other projects that our Grace Board of Properties had planned for them to help with. Our Youth Group, ages 5th grade through high school, assisted with these projects. We thank the Youth Group for their help and support in making our Church & School Properties beautiful!!!

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We will be switching to our Summer Schedule here at Grace starting Memorial Day weekend. This means that our Sunday morning worship time will be at 9:00 am starting on Sunday, May 30th and this will go through Labor Day Weekend. There will not be Sunday School and Adult Bible Class during the Summer. Thursday evening worship at 6:30pm will remain the same throughout the Summer. We look forward to seeing you in worship!!!

Did you know that Grace Lutheran Church Sells SCRIP??? Scrip is a **No-Cost Fundraiser** that helps to support the ministries here at Grace for our Lutheran Church, School, and ECC. Scrip is gift cards that we buy from various restaurants, gas stations, and grocery stores to name a few and then sell at face value to you. Examples include: *Woodmans, Kwik Trip, Meijer, Menards, Culvers, Kohls, to name a few.* Each merchant sets their own discount percentage, so some scrip purchases “*earn more*” than others. The gift cards you buy and then use at these stores our Church, School, and ECC earns a certain percentage of the purchase from the retailer that you shop at. Gail Nowakowski is our new Scrip Coordinator. If you are interested in Scrip please contact our Church office. We sell Scrip after each of our worship services, if you would like to take a look at what Scrip cards you can buy to help support the ministries of Grace.

Giving Tree is up in our Church Sanctuary

The Giving Tree is currently up in our Church Sanctuary. Please consider making a donation to our Grace Lutheran Ministries to help us to continue the mission work of our Church, School, and Early Childhood Center. The needs of our ministries are on the Giving Tree for you to take a look at. Also, this year we are offering special gifts of puzzles, devotional literature, and other gift items that we would like to give to our homebound members. Thank you for your ongoing support of the ministries here at Grace!!!

THANK YOU...to all who donated to the *Hunger Task Force*. We collected a total of \$3,233.00. Your generous support helped those facing the hardest of times by ensuring the most critical of basic needs...healthy, nutritious emergency food. Your gift gives precious hope to people for whom hope is scarce—from children of families facing hardship and seniors on fixed incomes, to the multitude of unemployed and underemployed suffering from COVID-19 pandemic. Your gift represents a lifeline and a second chance, and for that we are beyond thankful.

Congratulations Grace Lutheran Confirmation Students

God's blessings to *Carsen & Matthew* upon their journey with Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior that was started on the day of their baptisms and has continued to their Confirmation. Congratulations as they have confirmed their Christian faith that God gave them in their baptism.



Please Support Your Local Thrift Store!—LCFS operates five thrift stores which help to support services for adoption, mental health, family counseling and substance abuse. Each store is run by amazing volunteers and support their communities by providing an outlet for clothing and household items to be reused and repurposed, offering affordable prices and by donating surplus items to local homeless or veteran shelters. All stores are now open with new safety and sanitation policies for donations and shopping. Please consider supporting these essential stores and the mission they support. Volunteers are in need at each store for a variety of tasks and services.

Hours and additional information can be found at www.lcfswi.org.

[The Economy Center](#) - 7814 W. Burleigh, Milwaukee, WI (414) 442-2272

Tele-health (virtual) counseling now available...did you know that the counselors of Lutheran Counseling and Family Services of Wisconsin are available for virtual counseling sessions? For those struggling with any mental health issue such as depression, anxiety, trauma, an addiction or relationship issues, professional help is just a phone call away. Through faith-based Christian counseling, there is an opportunity to model Christian faith and share the promises of the Gospel while utilizing clinical expertise and skill. Speaking with a counselor can help reduce anxiety, monitor depression, control addictive behavior, identify triggers and create solutions to instill hope and faith. Most insurance plans accept telehealth/virtual counseling as a viable option to conduct therapy. Check with your plan in advance to see if this is covered or the staff at LCFS can assist you. Call 800-291-4513 for more information or to schedule an appointment.



Miss Rosie's 2nd Annual Make-A-Wish Toy Drive

Benefiting Make-A-Wish Wisconsin from now until July 1st. Help Miss St. Francis 2020, Rosie Miliacca fill the "Wish Closet" with new toys! Drop off new, unwrapped toys in donation boxes at Grace Lutheran Church, School, or ECC. Gifts from the "Wish Closet" are given to families going through the wish granting process to help break the ice, build excitement, or even supplement the wish itself!

Miss Rosie's goal is to DOUBLE donations from last year for a total of 200 toys! It's a big goal, so she needs your help! Not sure what toys to donate? There is a list in the narthex for you to take home with you.

Grace's Social Media Corner

Why is Grace Lutheran on Facebook and Instagram?

Aren't those just for funny cat videos and political rants?

We use these social media platforms to share the special things going on at church, school and the Early Childhood Center.

However, most importantly, we share on social media the Gospel of God's redeeming love!

We enjoy using this technology to continue the work of spreading the...
...Good News of God's Riches At Christ's Expense!

Join us in this work!

LIKE our page, and make sure you SHARE these messages with others too!



Facebook:

Grace Lutheran Church School & Early Childhood Center, Oak Creek, WI



Instagram:

gracelutheran_oakcreek



You can now give online. It's easy, fast, and secure. If you're able, we also encourage you to set up recurring giving. Thank you for supporting our ministries here at Grace!!! Text the word: [graceoc](https://www.graceoakcreek.org) to 206-859-9405, use this [QR Code](#) or head to our web-site: [graceoakcreek.org](https://www.graceoakcreek.org). You may give a one time gift or set up your regular weekly/monthly offering. Thank you for your generosity and support of the ministries at Grace!!!



JUNE/JULY BIRTHDAYS

June

- 1 Patricia Johnson
- 1 Mark Lutzke
- 3 Sarah Schmidt
- 4 Brandyn Berglund
- 5 Scarlett Penn
- 8 Pam Novak
- 8 Anthony Parker
- 10 Everly McIntosh
- 10 Henry Peppler
- 11 Michael Zanardi
- 12 Lowell Johnson
- 15 Lori Eggert
- 17 Opal Simmons
- 19 Gloria Kilponen
- 21 Molly King
- 22 Miya Rekowski
- 23 Mary Lou Boettcher
- 23 Duane Meyer
- 26 Jalee Banach
- 27 Sawyer Anderson
- 27 David Penn
- 27 Julia Taggatz
- 29 Eleanor Taggatz
- 30 Addison Zunker



July

- 8 Cameron McIntosh
- 10 Jackson Soles
- 13 Alyssa Norton
- 13 Regina Zehnder
- 14 Joshua Beekman
- 14 Natalie Vitek
- 16 Keith Nowack
- 16 Steven Urbaniak
- 17 Stan Gumm
- 20 Carla Berglund
- 24 June Roewer
- 24 Kiley Stecker
- 26 Jennifer Gettelman
- 29 Isaac Butler
- 29 Cathy Weeks
- 30 Matthew Peppler
- 30 Roxanne Taggatz

June Wedding Anniversaries

- 3 Dennis & Sharon Iseli
- 4 Lowell & Pat Johnson
- 8 Paul & Nina McKinster
- 13 Jerry & Darline Urbaniak
- 15 Richard & Margaret Flower
- 16 Donald & Carol Stewart
- 19 Brandon & Tricia Dachel
- 20 Ernst & Pat Groth
- 23 Mike & Pat Toman
- 24 Matthew & Melissa Peppler
- 24 John & Roxanne Taggatz
- 28 Nick & Lisa Norton

July Wedding Anniversaries

- 6 Ron & Mary Savarino
- 19 Tim & Andrea Kisley
- 19 John & Karina Penn
- 22 John & Kristine Vangalis
- 23 Ben & Rita Heinen
- 23 Mike & Barb Huber

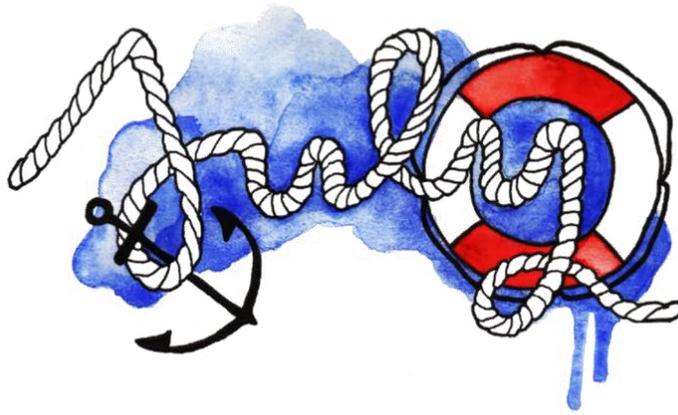


JUNE



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study & Brkfst (OC Diner) 6:30 PM Stephen Ministry	2 6:30 PM All Board's Meeting	3 6:30 PM Worship Service	4	5
6 9:00 AM Summer Worship		8 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study & Brkfst (OC Diner)	9 6:30 PM Council Meeting	10 6:30 PM Worship Service 7:30 PM Private Baptism	11	12 8:00 AM Rise & Sonshine Bible Study, Lake Vista Park-Overlook
13 9:00 AM Summer Worship 10:00 AM Voter's Meeting	14	15 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study & Brkfst (OC Diner)	16	17 6:30 PM Worship Service	18 4:00 PM Grace Beer Garden Tour #2	19
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"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.

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Prayer Hot Line



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 Taggatz.

10AM – 3PM

Carol Thurber, 762-9615

3PM – 9PM

Pauline Parker, 764-5574

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Pauline Parker

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