

# Light of Grace

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## Dear Friends,

Even though I'm on vacation, I am carrying a prayer with me for us at Grace UMC. The prayer was shared by Bishop Ough at our MN Annual Conference this year.



It's a prayer meant to open our hearts and lives to God's hopes and dreams. It's a prayer for churches, leaders and individuals. It's a prayer rooted in the belief that God has a plan larger than what we can imagine. It is rooted in trusting God wants to work in this world through our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.

We have challenges at Grace UMC:

- 1) windows in need of repair or replacement and painting;
- 2) a loan for carpet, restroom and automatic doors that needs repaying;
- 3) VBS, Rally Sunday, a block party and more.

But, God is working wonders through us—and I have to believe God will call others alongside us to bless others as well. Four paraphrases of what the children are saying about Grace UMC.

“At Grace Church we don't get bullied.”

“At Grace church I'm learning to think before I speak and not call people names.”

“At Grace I've been taught and shown I'm lovable.”

“At Grace I learn I am forgiven and loved by Jesus.”

Four more paraphrases of what adults are saying about Grace UMC.

“I got so many cards when I was on the prayer list.”

“I don't believe I'd be doing this well if it weren't all the prayers.”

“I needed to hear today's message so much. I'm so glad I came.”

“That one song brought me to tears. It was so beautiful.”

I will be praying the Prayer for Living Expectantly every day through Rally Sunday because it is clear God is at work and it is likely God has even bigger plans. I invite you to pray the prayer everyday at home, in front of the church, in the sanctuary, walking the neighborhood. Be creative or not. Just pray.

“Gracious and Life-Giving God, Pour out your holy Spirit like a mighty wind and tongues of fire, to unleash our church to see your visions and dream your dreams, and share your saving grace.

Revive the power of the gospel in the hearts of our leaders and prosper their words and works, so all may hear the good news.

Boldly use me, without limits, delays or excuses, to be a living praise and witness to your love throughout all the earth and a blessing to all creation.

Create in me an expectant heart, eager to receive your Spirit, gifts, and guidance to the glory of Jesus Christ, in whose precious and powerful name I pray.”

Blessings,

*Pastor Roger*



**PRAYER LIST AT Care Facilities**

- Peggy Anderson (R.E.M. House)
- Elouise Brendemuhl (Kinder Care)
- Mabel Burkhardt (Bethany)
- Lois Ferguson (Eventide)
- Marjorie Ladwig (Eventide)
- Tom Collins (Eventide)
- Mary J. Phillips (Sheyenne Crossing)
- Jeanne Schwager (Bethany))
- Clara Krook (Bethany)
- Eleanor Payton (River Pointe)
- Bonnie Wagner (Fergus Falls)
- Reeta Herman (Fairmont)
- Pat Walter (Elim)
- Myrna Swan (Elim)
- Emily Elliott



Ministry TEAM Program. A Way of Being the Church at GUMC! The TEAM's mission is to provide ushers, greeters, opening welcome and readers to our congregation. TEAM #4 (Aug/Feb) TEAM coordinators are B. & C. Krogen and E. Volbrecht

- 218-236-0135—C. & R. Abel
- 701-261-9009—M. Akin
- 218-236-0183—J. Anderson
- 218-236-8836—D. Enkers
- 218-233-6915—J. & K. Enkers
- 218-233-0255—R. & C. Grafenstein
- 218-329-6199—M. & M. Hamm & Family
- 701-361-7576—B. & Z. Hanna & Family
- 218-236-7366—G. & S. Mohr
- 701-361-8785—A. Monge
- 218-236-5520—B. & M. Port
- 218-790-2950—S. Anderson & Family
- 218-233-3947—J. Schwager

**PRAYER LIST at Home**

- Vicky Westra Ruth Opp
- Cullen Fraundorfer Linda Collins
- Roger Helland ArNetta Monge



**DONUTS**

Homemade Buttermilk Donuts will be made on Wednesday, August 23rd, 2017. To place your order for donuts, call the office, 233-1857, the Monday prior to the day donuts are made. There is also a sign up sheet on the table in the Narthex.

**August Birthdays**



- 3—T. Grow  
R. Opp
- 4—B. Naasz  
C. Gedrose
- 5—C. Abel
- 8—J. Sedivec
- 16—P. Walter
- 18—P. Murray
- 23—R. Grafenstein  
R. Helland
- 25—Z. Hanna
- 28—C. Krogen
- 29—O. Alveshere



**MONEY MANAGEMENT**

Many schoolchildren today aren't learning how to manage money. Maybe that's why more and more churches are now teaching courses about handling finances. Several Bible-based studies teach families how to beat debt, build wealth and give wisely.

Until recently, the average American family saved only one percent of its income. That's now close to three percent, but it still isn't nearly enough to bring financial security to most families.

Remember, money in itself isn't evil. It's the love of money that can do us in (see 1 Timothy 6:10). We need to know how to manage money well.

**August Anniversaries**



- 2—R. & C. Grafenstein
- 7—L. & J. Beck
- 9—B. & C. Krogen
- 15—J. & L. Denny
- 19—R. & B. Christopherson  
D. & W. Walseth
- 25—M. & M. Hamm
- 30—D. & J. Graning  
G. & S. Mohr





## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School 2017 will be held Tuesday, August 8th thru Friday, August 11th from 6:30—8:00 pm. VBS will conclude with an overnight camp out on Saturday, August 12th at Northern Pines, returning on Sunday, August 13th about 12:00 noon. The cost of the overnight camp out is \$40.00 per child. All donations to a campership would be appreciated. If you have any questions, please see S. Grow or M. Hamm

## THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone for their generous donations of glass jars and lids. There is no longer a need for jars at this time. So please do not leave any more jars in the kitchen.

## BRIDAL SHOWER



Everyone is invited to an open house bridal shower for J. Loeks on Saturday, August 5th from 2:00—4:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Churches United for the Homeless is one of the charities that will benefit from this concert.



## OUR CHURCH IS TO BE SOLD

Our church is to be sold! Yes, our church is to be sold! No, we are not about to lose our building through foreclosure or repudiated debt. However, our church must be sold to the city and county. It has been planted to wield an influence beyond its membership and walls. Thus, we are presented with an enormous challenge.

Our church must be sold to the unchurched! There are scores of people in our community who would attend our church and join us in the Lord's service if we would bother to sell our church to them.

How much is our church worth to you? How much do you value its ministry? How much do you value the Christ it proclaims? As a member of this church, you are selling your church to others every day. Are you selling it short? Has it helped you to the extent that you're willing to sell it to others? Will you be enthusiastic in talking about your church? Will you share your church with others who have no idea what they're missing?

Take our church seriously and talk to people about what our church has to offer them.

## BENEFIT

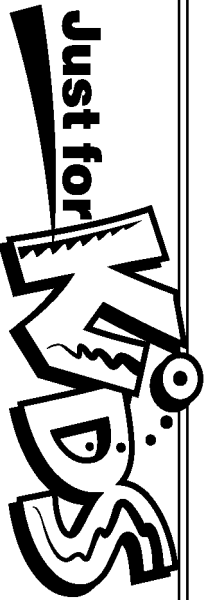
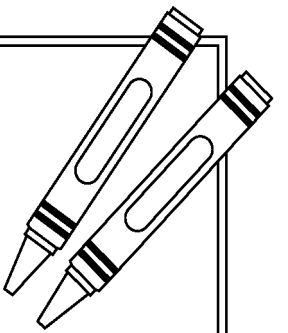
Christian Music Recording Artist  
**MATT MAHER**  
 IN CONCERT  
 Saturday August 12th | 7 PM  
 Scheels Arena Fargo, ND  
 with special guests  
 Sonar Jamison Strain  
 Sponsored by the Diocese of Fargo  
 Tickets available exclusively through [tickets300.com](http://tickets300.com)  
 or at the Scheels Arena box office  
 Special rates available to groups of 8 or more, use promo code: **grace**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Psalm</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>Epistle</b>	<b>Gospel</b>
<b>Tue, Aug 1</b>	am: 61, 62, pm: 68	2 Sam 3:6-21	Acts 16:6-15	Mark 6:30-46
<b>Wed, Aug 3</b>	am: 72, pm: 119:73-96	2 Sam 3:22-39	Acts 16:16-24	Mark 6:47-56
<b>Thur, Aug 3</b>	am: 70, 71, pm: 74	2 Sam 4:1-12	Acts 16:25-40	Mark 7:1-23
<b>Fri, Aug 4</b>	am: 69, pm: 73	2 Sam 5:1-12	Acts 17:1-15	Mark 7:24-37
<b>Sat, Aug 5</b>	am: 75, 76, pm: 23, 27	2 Sam 5:22-6:11	Acts 17:16-34	Mark 8:1-10
<b>Sun, Aug 6</b>	am: 93, 96, pm: 34	2 Sam 6:12-23	Rom 14:7-12	John 1:43-51
<b>Mon, Aug 7</b>	am: 80, pm: 77, 19	2 Sam 7:1-17	Acts 18:1-11	Mark 8:11-21
<b>Tue, Aug 8</b>	am: 78:1-39, pm: 78:40-72	2 Sam 7:18-29	Acts 18:12-28	Mark 8:22-33
<b>Wed, Aug 9</b>	am: 119:97-120, pm: 81, 82	2 Sam 9:1-13	Acts 19:1-10	Mark 8:34-9:1
<b>Thur, Aug 10</b>	am: 83, pm: 85, 86	2 Sam 11:1-27	Acts 19:11-20	Mark 9:2-13
<b>Fri, Aug 11</b>	am: 88, pm: 91, 92	2 Sam 12:1-14	Acts 19:21-41	Mark 9:14-29
<b>Sat, Aug 12</b>	am: 87, 90, pm: 136	2 sam 12:15-31	Acts 20:1-16	Mark 9:30-41
<b>Sun, Aug 13</b>	am: 66, 67, pm: 19, 46	2 Sam 13:1-22	Rom 15:1-13	John 3:22-36
<b>Mon, Aug 14</b>	am: 89:1-18, pm: 89:19-52	2 Sam 13:23-39	Acts 20:17-38	Mark 9:42-50
<b>Tue, Aug 15</b>	am: 97, 99, 100, pm: 94, 95	2 Sam 14:1-20	Acts 21:1-14	Mark 10:1-16
<b>Wed, Aug 16</b>	am: 101, 109, pm: 119:121-144	2 Sam 14:21-33	Acts 21:15-26	Mark 10:17-31
<b>Thur, Aug 17</b>	am: 105:1-22, pm: 105:23-45	2 Sam 15:1-18	Acts 21:27-36	Mark 10:32-45
<b>Fri, Aug 18</b>	am: 102, pm: 107:1-32	2 Sam 15:19-37	Acts 21:37-22:16	Mark 10:46-52
<b>Sat, Aug 19</b>	am: 107:33-43, 108, pm: 33	2 Sam 16:1-23	Acts 22:17-29	Mark 11:1-11
<b>Sun, Aug 20</b>	am: 118, pm: 145	2 Sam 17:1-23	Gal 3:6-14	John 5:30-47
<b>Mon, Aug 21</b>	am: 106:1-18, pm: 106:19-48	2 Sam 17:24-18:8	Acts 22:30-23:11	Mark 11:12-26
<b>Tue, Aug 22</b>	am: 121, 122, 123, pm: 124, 125, 126	2 Sam 18:9-18	Acts 23:12-24	Mark 11:27-12:12
<b>Wed, Aug 23</b>	am: 119:145-176, pm: 128, 129, 130	2 Sam 18:18-33	Acts 23:23-35	Mark 12:13-27
<b>Thur, Aug 24</b>	am: 131, 132, 133, pm: 134, 135	2 Sam 19:1-23	Acts 24:1-23	Mark 12:28-34
<b>Fri, Aug 25</b>	am: 140, 142, pm: 141, 143	2 Sam 19:24-43	Acts 24:24-25:12	Mark 12:35-44
<b>Sat, Aug 26</b>	am: 137, 144, pm: 104	2 Sam 23:1-7, 13-17	Acts 25:13-27	Mark 13:1-13
<b>Sun, Aug 27</b>	am: 146, 147, pm: 111, 112, 113	2 Sam 24:1-2, 10-25	Gal 3:23-4:7	John 8:12-20
<b>Mon, Aug 28</b>	am: 1, 2, 3, pm: 4, 7	1 Kng 1:5-31	Acts 26:1-23	Mark 13:14-27
<b>Tue, Aug 29</b>	am: 5, 6, pm: 10, 11	1 Kng 1:38-2:4	Acts 26:24-27:8	Mark 13:28-37
<b>Wed, Aug 30</b>	am: 119:1-24, pm: 12, 13, 14	1 Kng 3:1-15	Acts 27:9-26	Mark 14:1-11
<b>Thur, Aug 31</b>	am: 18:1-20, pm: 18:21-50	1 Kng 3:16-28	Acts 27:27-44	Mark 14:12-26

# Grace United Methodist

## AUGUST 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Pastor Roger is on vacation July 26 thru August 7th. If you need pastoral assistance Pastor Jan Millikan, Hawley UMC, 701-371-3961 is on call and Pastor Karen Finnegan is on call August 1st thru 7th, 281-329-1580</p>	<p>Pastor Roger on vacation thru August 7th. Returning to the Office on August 8th.</p>	<p><b>1</b>  <b>7:00 pm</b> Prayer Shawl Ministry</p>	<p><b>2</b> <b>2:30 pm</b> Youth Community Service Projects</p>	<p><b>3</b>  <b>9 am</b> Bulletin Deadline</p>	<p><b>4</b></p>	<p><b>5</b>  <b>2:00 pm</b> Loeks Open House Bridal Shower</p>
<p><b>6</b> 9th Sunday after Pentecost  <b>10:00 am</b> Worship W/Communion</p>	<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>8</b>  <b>6:00 pm</b> VBS Begins</p>	<p><b>9</b>  <b>6:00 am</b> Donut making <b>6:00 pm</b> VBS</p>	<p><b>10</b>  <b>9 am</b> Bulletin Deadline  <b>6:00 pm</b> VBS</p>	<p><b>11</b>  <b>6:00 pm</b> VBS</p>	<p><b>12</b>  VBS Camp out at Northern Pines</p>
<p><b>13</b> 10th Sunday after Pentecost  <b>VBS Worship @</b> Northern Pines <b>10:00 am</b> Worship <b>1:00 pm</b> VBS lunch and program</p>	<p><b>14</b></p>	<p><b>15</b></p>	<p><b>16</b></p>	<p><b>17</b>  <b>9 am</b> Bulletin Deadline</p>	<p><b>18</b></p>	<p><b>19</b></p>
<p><b>20</b> 11th Sunday after Pentecost  <b>10:00 am</b> Worship</p>	<p><b>21</b></p>	<p><b>22</b>  <b>6:30 pm</b> Vision and Ministry and Operations and Resources Joint Meeting</p>	<p><b>23</b>  <b>6:00 am</b> Donut making  <b>Newsletter</b> <b>Deadline</b></p>	<p><b>24</b>  <b>9 am</b> Bulletin Deadline <b>9:00 am</b> Park View Terrace <b>10:00 am</b> Golden Living worship services <b>1:00 pm</b> Police Chaplains Mtg</p>	<p><b>25</b></p>	<p><b>26</b></p>
<p><b>27</b> 12th Sunday after Pentecost  <b>10:00 am</b> Worship</p>	<p><b>28</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b>  <b>3:30 pm</b> Set up to Serve Churches United</p>	<p><b>31</b>  <b>9 am</b> Bulletin Deadline</p>		



# TRAVEL BY DAY OR NIGHT

The way people travel has changed over time, but one thing has not changed — God was with people in biblical times just as He is with you and your family as you travel during your summer vacations.

Count the number of letters for each name, and then write the name in the spaces next to the verse that matches. (Hint: Besides counting the number of letters in the name, also pay attention to whether the person is from the Old Testament or New Testament.)

### NAMES

- Paul
- Moses
- Joseph
- The Israelites
- Abram
- crowds
- Samaritan
- Jesus
- Naaman
- Angel of God

### VERSES

- “The \_\_\_\_\_ front of Israel’s army . . . .” Exodus 14:19
- “And \_\_\_\_\_ went out from Pharaoh’s presence and traveled throughout Egypt.” Genesis 41:46
- “Go in peace,” said Elisha. After \_\_\_\_\_ some distance . . . .” 2 Kings 5:19
- “\_\_\_\_\_ traveled through the land as far as the site of the great tree of Moreh at Shechem.” Genesis 12:6
- “\_\_\_\_\_ traveled through that area, speaking many words of encouragement to the people, and finally arrived in Greece.” Acts 20:2
- “\_\_\_\_\_ traveled about from one town and village to another, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom of God.” Luke 8:1
- “Large \_\_\_\_\_ were traveling with Jesus.” Luke 14:25
- “\_\_\_\_\_ traveled to the plains of Moab and camped along the Jordan across from Jericho.” Numbers 22:1
- “\_\_\_\_\_ led Israel from the Red Sea . . . . For three days \_\_\_\_\_ they traveled in the desert . . . .” Exodus 15:22
- “But a \_\_\_\_\_, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him.” Luke 10:33

Answers: Angel of God; Joseph; Naaman; Abram; Paul; Jesus; crowds; The Israelites; Moses; Samaritan

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