

Light of Grace

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Sunday School 9:00 AM
Sunday Worship: 10:00 AM

Dear Friends,

I was recently reading about the journey of a young man who toured a good share of the United States on a Honda Ruckus 50cc moped—35 mph top end, 100 mpg average. He spent a good deal of time in the Smoky Mountains, trekked all the way down to the Florida Keys and then had the idea to head to Alaska. He went north on the Alaskan Highway in spring and headed south on the highway in fall. As he describes it, part of the beauty of making the journey on a moped was being able to hear the bird songs over his tiny engine as he wound his way around the US. From my armchair his journey seemed delightful—albeit excruciatingly slow with rather hodgepodge planning, except for carefully timing when to go to Alaska and when to return.

May 17th our District Superintendent officiated the Church Conference where Grace UMC voted 61 – 1 to move ahead with the five recommendations from the Healthy Church Initiative consultants. Included with each recommendation is a clear list of specific things to do. I think of the 5 recommendations and the ‘to do’ lists as a Roadmap with stops on the journey. One approach to the journey would be the ‘hodgepodge-moped-travel’ approach. It has its appeal—except for the fact the moped rider traveled alone and didn’t get anyone else to join

him on his journey. The other approach to our journey is the ‘With-a-little-planning-let’s-travel-together’ approach. The beauty of the second approach is it’s much easier to invite others to join us on the journey if we actually have a sense of where we are going, and if we are strategically using the resources of time, energy and offerings.



What comes next on our Healthy Church Initiative journey is taking a night to look at all the stops on our journey and create the roadmap. What thing leads to the next thing? How can we plan so we aren’t in Key West when the idea of Alaska comes to us?

June 9th 6 PM – 9:30 PM is our night of strategically prioritizing where we’ll head first and what we’ll save for last.

June 14th 10 AM is our New Beginnings Worship where we Covenant to travel on this journey together with God as our guide. I am energized and hopeful as we embark upon our journey forward as Grace UMC. I am praying that as others hear where God is leading they will wish to join on the journey as well. I also pray that as you travel on your personal summer journeys you will find God’s blessings all along the way.

In Christ’s Service,
Pastor Roger



- Peggy Anderson (R.E.M. House)
- Elouise Brendemuhl (Kinder Care)
- Mabel Burkhardt (Bethany)
- Lois Ferguson (Eventide)
- Hyacinth Kronbeck (Park View)
- Marjorie Ladwig (Eventide)
- Tom Collins (Eventide)
- Mabel Johnson (Bethany)
- Delores Dronen (Jamestown)
- Mary J. Phillips (Sheyenne Crossing)
- Jeanne Schwager (Bethany))
- Vi Williams (Bethany on 42nd)
- Clara Krook (Bethany)



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 #3 (June/Dec)
TEAM coordinator is N. Grow, 701-541-4136

- 701-297-5983—L. Anandel
- 701-297-5983—L. Gibson
- 701-866-0686—C. & D. Burkhardt & Family
- 218-329-6750—J. Burkhardt
- 701-293-9270—R. & L. Burkhardt
- 218-236-9453—B. Hopkins
- 701-540-8155—A. Horn & Family
- 218-233-3642—L. & P. Horner
- 218-236-8056—P. & T. Newgard, & Family
- 218-233-5836—L. Norby
- 701-239-9453—J. & K.i Thiseth,
- 701-280-2097—J. Devine
- E. Hilgers
- 218-233-6386—N. Howe
- 218-236-7579—J. Oelke
- 218-233-3969—R. & R. Richman
- 218-342-3851—M. Swan

PRAYER LIST at Home

- Vicky Westra Rae Offutt
- Eddie Ybarra Ruth Opp



June Birthdays

- 1—C. Lindner
- 3—V. Williams
- 7—J. Ladwig
- 10—C. Williams
- 12—T. Anderson
- 14—T. Ladwig
- 15—A. Gumto
- 16—B. Christopherson
T. Newgard
- 18— I. Beving
R. Burkhardt
- 21—L. Collins
- 24— A. Monge
- 26—J. Devine
- 29— I. Koenning



June Anniversaries

- 1—C. & D. Burkhardt
- 3—M. & A. Gumto
- 4—S. & L. Gedrose
- 7—C. & P. Welsh
- 13—B. & S. Martin
- 19—J. & K. Thiseth
- 25—D. & I. Smith
- 26—D. & L. Larson
- 27—R. & M. Wagner

DONUTS



Donuts will be make on Wednesday, June 24th beginning at 6:00 AM. Please call 218-233-1857 to place your orders. Donuts are to be picked up by 9:00 AM.

The last day to place your order is Monday, June 22nd.

LAWN-MOWING



WANTED!

An individual to mow the church yard and control the weeds each week as necessary is needed. If you are interested in this position, please contact a Trustee's committee member.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

MAY

- INCOME: \$ 9,325.48
- EXPENSES: \$15,203.04
- APPORTIONMENTS: \$ 522.75





WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Please welcome new members D. and R. Hartog who transferred from Vergas United Methodist Church in Vergas, MN.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



2015 Vacation Bible School will be held August 11th through the 14th with a Northern Pines overnight on the 15th and 16th. Everyone is so excited for our kids to bring in new kids from our community. We will be recruiting volunteers for VBS, camp, and a neighborhood invitation walk this summer. If you have any questions, please see Stephanie or Mackenzie.

LIKE FATHER, LIKE CHILD



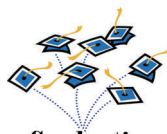
Happy Father's Day

As we celebrate Father's Day, we likely see traits in our dads (or other father figures) that we hope to be known for ourselves; integrity, gentleness, a great sense of humor, a love of learning, a humble spirit.

Amy Grant's song "Father's Eyes" tells of a young girl who wants nothing more than for others to recognize her father—and her heavenly Father—in her. "when people look inside my life, I want to hear them say, "She's got her father's eyes."

What characteristics of God your Father are reflected in your eyes, heart and life? And what godly qualities would you like to cultivate?

May others see our heavenly Father in us!



CONGRATULATION TO OUR GRADUATE

Graduation I. Lovdahl, has been the choir director the past two years. We wish Isaac good luck on his future endeavors.

K. Tretter, daughter of D. and K. Tretter, granddaughter of J. Oelke, graduated from Mayville State College on May 16, 2015 with a Bachelor of Arts degree.

D. Schnabel, has been a choir and hand bell choir member for the past two years and graduated from Concordia.

Z. Larson, Great Nephew of D. and L. Larson graduated from high school in Merrill, NE.

FORTUNATE TYPO

A pastor had his sermon titles published weekly in the city newspaper. One Monday, he phone to thank the paper for making an error.

The topic I sent you was "What Jesus Saw in a Publican," he siad, "You printed it as "what Jesus Saw in a Republican." I had the biggest crowd of the year.

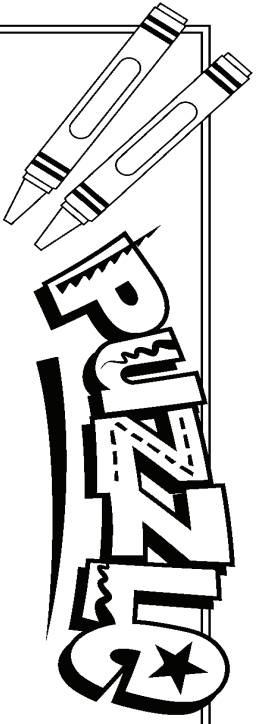
Grace United Methodist

June 2015

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|-----------|-----------|
| | 1 1 PM Quilting | 2 7:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry | 3 | 4 9 AM Bulletin Deadline | 5 | 6 |
| 7 2nd Sunday after Pentecost 10 AM Worship w/ Communion - Graduate recognition Sunday | 8 1 PM Quilting | 9 6 PM HCI prioritizing steps journey | 10 | 11 9 AM Bulletin Deadline | 12 | 13 |
| 14 3rd Sunday after Pentecost  Flag Day 10 AM Worship HCI Service of New Beginnings | 15 1 PM Quilting | 16 6 PM Trustees 7 PM Ad Council | 17 | 18 9 AM Bulletin Deadline | 19 | 20 |
| ²¹ 4th Sunday after Pentecost Father's Day 10 AM Worship | 22 1 PM Quilting | 23 | 24 6 AM Donut Making | 25 9 AM Bulletin Deadline | 26 | 27 |
| 28 5th Sunday after Pentecost 10 AM Worship | 29 1 PM Quilting | 30 | | | | |

| Date | Psalm | OT | Epistle | Gospel |
|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Mon, Jun 1 | am: 41, 52, pm: 44 | Deut 11:13-19 | 2 Cor 5:11-6:2 | Luke 17:1-10 |
| Tues, Jun 2 | am: 45, pm: 47, 48 | Deut 12:1-12 | 2 Cor 6:3-7:1 | Luke 17:11-19 |
| Wed, Jun 4 | am: 119:49-72, pm: 49, 53 | Deut 13:1-11 | 2 Cor 7:2-16 | Luke 17:20-37 |
| Thur, Jun 4 | am: 50, pm: 59, 60 | Deut: 16:18-20, 17:14-20 | 2 Cor 8:1-16 | Luke 18:1-8 |
| Fri, Jun 5 | am: 40, 54, pm: 51 | Deut 26:1-11 | 2 Cor 8:16-24 | Luke 18:9-14 |
| Sat, Jun 6 | am: 55, pm: 138, 139 | Deut 29:2-15 | 2 Cor 9:1-15 | Luke 18:15-30 |

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| Sun, Jun 7 | am: 24, 29, pm: 8, 84 | Deut 29:16-29 | Rev 12:1-12 | Matt 15:29-39 |
| Mon, Jun 8 | am: 56, 57, 58, pm: 64, 65 | Deut 30:1-10 | 2 Cor 10:1-18 | Luke 18:31-43 |
| Tues, Jun 9 | am: 61, 62, pm: 68 | Deut 30:11-20 | 2 Cor 11:1-21 | Luke 19:1-10 |
| Wed, Jun 10 | am: 72, pm: 119:73-96 | Deut 31:30-32:14 | 2 Cor 11: 21-33 | Luke 19:11-27 |
| Thur, Jun 11 | am: 70, 71, pm: 74 | Hab 1:1-17 | 2 Cor 12:1-10 | Luke 19:28-40 |
| Fri, Jun 12 | am: 69, pm: 73 | Hab 2:1-14 | 2 Cor 12:11-21 | Luke 19:41-48 |
| Sat, Jun 13 | am: 75, 76, pm: 23, 27 | Hab 2:15-20 | 2 Cor 13:1-14 | Luke 20:1-8 |
| Sun, Jun 14 | am: 93, 96, pm: 34 | Hab 3:1-19 | Rev 15:1-8 | Matt 18:1-14 |
| Mon, Jun 15 | am: 80, pm: 77, 19 | 1 Sam 1:1-20 | Acts 1:1-4 | Luke 20:9-19 |
| Tue, Jun 16 | am: 78:1-39, pm: 78:40-72 | 1 Sam 1:21-2:11 | Acts 1:15-26 | Luke 20:19-26 |
| Wed, Jun 17 | am: 119:97-120, pm: 81, 82 | 1 Sam 2:12-26 | Acts 2:1-21 | Luke 20:27-40 |
| Thur, Jun 18 | am: 83, pm: 85, 86 | 1 Sam 2:27-36 | Acts 2:22-36 | Luke 20:41-21:4 |
| Fri, Jun 19 | am: 87, 90, pm: 136 | 1 Sam 4:1b-11 | Acts 4:32-5:11 | Luke 21:20-28 |
| Sat, Jun 20 | am: 88, pm: 91, 92, 104 | 1 Sam 3:1-21 | Acts 2:37-47 pm: Eph 3:14-21 | Luke 21:5-19 |
| Sun, Jun 21 | am: 146, 147, pm: 111, 112, 113 | Deut 11:1-12 | Eph 4:1-16 | John 1:1-18 |
| Mon, Jun 22 | am: 89:1-18, pm: 89:19-52 | 1 Sam 5:1-12 | Acts 5:12-26 | Luke 21:29-36 |
| Tue, Jun 23 | am: 97, 99, 100, pm: 94, 95 | 1 Sam 6:1-16 | Acts 5:27-42 | Luke 21:37-22:13 |
| Wed, Jun 24 | am: 101, 109, pm: 119:121-144 | 1 Sam 7:2-17 | Acts 6:1-15 | Luke 22:14-23 |
| Thur, Jun 25 | am: 105:1-22, pm: 105:23-45 | 1 Sam 8:1-22 | Acts 6:15-7:16 | Luke 22:24-30 |
| Fri, Jun 26 | am: 102, pm: 107:1-32 | 1 Sam 9:1-14 | Acts 7:17-29 | Luke 22:31-38 |
| Sat, Jun 27 | am: 107:33-43, 108, pm: 33 | 1 Sam 9:15-10:1 | Acts 7:30-43 | Luke 22:39-51 |
| Sun, Jun 28 | am: 118, pm: 145 | 1 Sam 10:1-16 | Rom 4:13-25 | Matt 21:23-32 |
| Mon, Jun 29 | am: 106:1-18, pm: 106:19-48 | 2 Sam 10:17-27 | Acts 7:44-8:1a | Luke 22:52-62 |
| Tue, Jun 30 | am: 121, 122, 123, pm: 124, 125, 126 | 1 Sam 11:1-15 | Acts 8:1-13 | Luke 22:63-71 |



★ A FATHER'S ★ INSTRUCTION

★ Although babies don't come with instructions, ★
 God tells parents how to raise their children.

Directions: Fill in the blanks with letters, using the number grid to find the correct coordinates. The first number goes across, and the second one goes down.

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EPHESIANS 6:4, NIV

Answers: "... bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord."

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