

# Light of Grace

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## Dear Friends,

Pick any day and the news seems to always include word of another mass shooting, another hospitalization attributed to vaping, signs of nations and individuals becoming less cooperative with each other. Evidence of brokenness abounds.

However, we seek to follow Jesus who said, "I came that all may have life, and have it abundantly." (John 10:10b NRSV) Our task is to see and share the abundance Christ offers.

You've probably noticed the new welcome banner at Grace. The graphic was carefully designed by our leadership team. It's said that when people come to church they look for people like themselves. That means a variety of people up front leading worship. In designing the welcome-banner graphic it meant there was a need to show variety of people—children, a single parents, single people, a couple with a child, a person with a cane. By choosing not to use photos of people, Grace leaders did not restrict race or nationality—like the old hymn line, "Christ for the world we sing, Christ to the world we bring." Christ's abundance is for all.

This fall Grace is offering Christ's abundance in the midst of the world's brokenness. Because mass shootings are frightening realities, Grace welcomed Lt. Chris Carey to lead a "Preparing for the Active Shooter" workshop

that was open to the community on Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>. We even delivered information door to door prior to the event. It's a way of reminding the world Christ walks with us even though the darkest valleys—seeking to guide us safely through.

Because vaping seems to be tied to serious health issues just coming to the surface, we've invited Jason McCoy from Public Health to share about the health effects of vaping and how it is weaving its way into middle and high school culture. It is our way of saying Christ offers healing and health. October 30<sup>th</sup> - 6 PM.

In a world filled with tribalism and nationalism that is pulling us apart, the first Sunday of October Grace is celebrating "World Communion Sunday"—a reminder that all around the world communion is being celebrated in many languages; the love of God in Christ unites us in spite of our differences. October 6<sup>th</sup> - 10 AM.

To fund the mission of sharing the abundance Christ offers, and to connect with the community in an informal way, October 12<sup>th</sup> is Grace's Fall Festival—crafts, country store, soup and sandwich, donuts and coffee, and a chance for people to glimpse Grace Church in a way that may whisper, "here is a place where you will be welcomed and cared for in Jesus' name."

My prayer as your pastor: "In a broken world, may Christ inspire us to truly be the people of Grace sharing God's abundance and love each and every day." Amen.

Blessings,  
Pastor Roger



**PRAYER LIST AT Care Facilities**  
**Peggy Anderson (R.E.M. House)**

**Mary J. Phillips (Bethany)**  
**Clara Krook (Fergus Falls)**  
**Bonnie Wagner (Eventide)**  
**Reeta Herman (Elim)**  
**Pat Walter (Elim)**  
**Don Walter (Rosewood)**  
**Emily Elliott (Eventide)**  
**Roger Helland (Elim)**  
**Myrna Swan (Fairmont)**  
**Marilyn Wollitz**



**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 #5 (Oct/Apr) TEAM coordinators are R. & L. Burkhardt and C. & D. Burkhardt**

218-299-2022 J. & L. Denny  
218-287-3404 J. & J. Eide  
218-236-7780 E. Elliott  
218-236-8820 B. & S. Frangsrud & Family  
218-236-7319 C. & R. Goldade  
218-233-1969 D. & J. Graning  
218-236-1643 I. Koenning  
218-233-6411 B. & C. Krogen  
701-282-7007 C. Krook  
218-287-4316 B. & S. Martin  
218-233-1409 B. Paulson  
M. J. Phillips  
218-790-6829 B. Rowland  
B. Wagner  
701-388-6690 M. & R. Wagner  
701-364-3940 P. & D. Walter  
763-438-6746 P. Welsh & Family

**PRAYER LIST at Home**

**ArNetta Monge Caliann Gedrose**  
**Jean Mann Myron Mann**



**OCTOBER Birthdays**

5— J. Graning  
7—B. Burkhardt  
12—D. Walter  
19—D. Horn  
22—A. Larson  
27—K. Enkers  
M. Hamm  
L. Gibson  
29—L. Jensen



**DONUTS**

Homemade Buttermilk Donuts will be made on Wednesday, October 2nd, October 16th, and October 30th, 2019. To place your order for donuts, call the office, 233-1857. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the Narthex.



**OCTOBER Anniversaries**

3 - E. & A. Ybarra  
5—P. & K. Anderson  
22—O. & J. Alveshire

**CONDOLENCES**

Our sympathies to L. Burkhardt and family on the death of her brother, Dennis Ramlo, who passed away on August 22nd.

Our sympathies to the family of R. Al Maksymchuk who passed away on September 19th. His funeral was on Tuesday, September 24th in Lancaster, MN.



## WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

World Communion Sunday is October 6th. Around the globe, countless gifted and qualified people face financial obstacles that hinder them from preparing for the vocation God has given them, especially youth and young adults. What would it look like if the church today imitated Jesus' affirmation of the full dignity and God-given potential of all women and men-especially those who've historically been assigned to the world's margins? On World Communion Sunday your giving helps to provide scholarships for national and international graduate students whom God has gifted to learn and to serve.

Will you give generously on World Communion Sunday to make education and vocational impact possible for more students? Will you equip gifted and qualified students from around the globe to become the world-changers God created them to be?

Please note World Communion Sunday on the memo line of your check.

### START COLLECTING!!

As part of the annual Women of Grace Fall Festival, we will open our Country Store of used items on October 12. Please bring books, household and holiday décor, toys, jewelry, stationery, dishes, kitchen items, and furniture. Items not sold will be donated to the New Life Center. NO clothing. Bring your items to the former coat closet next to the kitchen pantry.



## FALL FESTIVAL

The Women of Grace Fall Festival will be held on Sat., October 12. Doors will be open from 8 a.m.

to 2 p.m. Lunch of homemade soup, sandwich, and dessert will be served from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Soup will be sold by the quart and pint. We need your donations of silent auction items, craft items, bake sale goods, desserts and Country Store used items. A sign-up sheet to help during the event or bring a 9X13 pan of dessert is on the table in the gathering space. Join in the fellowship by helping. As this event is a major fundraiser for Grace, we encourage your support and attendance to this event. Be sure to invite your friends. For questions, please contact P. Murray, J. Graning or J. Anderson.

**Silent Auction:** If you have a unique item – one that will have no competition from our general craft sale – please let Judith know: [juditheide@midco.net](mailto:juditheide@midco.net). Example of silent auction items: art work, unique books, hand carved items, services such as a home cooked dinner for x number of people, x number of hours babysitting or dog walking. Please indicate your reserve – the minimum acceptable bid – to start the bidding. You may bring your items or description of service, clearly marked “Silent Auction” to the church during set-up on Fri., Oct 11.

## SALES OPPORTUNITY



Grace will be having a sales table at the Moorhead Center Mall's Church Bazaar on Nov. 8 and 9. This will be an opportunity to sell crafts, baked goods and jams. Everyone is invited to take part. If you have questions, contact J. Graning, 218-233-1969.

# Grace United Methodist

# October 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> 6:30 pm Worship Planning Team	<b>2</b> 6:00 am Donut Making 6:00 pm GraceKids 7:00 pm Choir	<b>3</b> 9:00 am Bulletin 1:30 pm Martha Circle Dist Committee Training	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> 17th Sunday after Pentecost  9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Worship w/ Communion World Communion Sunday 10:15 am Children's Sunday School	<b>7</b>  1:00 pm Quilting	<b>8</b> 6:30 pm Vision and Operations and Resources 7:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry	<b>9</b> 6:00 pm GraceKids 7:00 pm Choir	<b>10</b> 9:00 am Bulletin Deadline 7:00 pm Cub Scouts	<b>11</b> Leadership training with Bishop Ough	<b>12</b> 8:00 am Fall Festival
<b>13</b> 18th Sunday after Pentecost  9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 10:15 am Children's Sunday School	<b>14</b>  1:00 pm Quilting	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 6:00 am Donut Making 6:00 pm NO GraceKids 7:00 pm Choir	<b>17</b> 9:00 am Bulletin Deadline 10:00 am Norths Star District Clergy Mtg 7:00 pm Cub Scouts	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> 19th Sunday after Pentecost  9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 10:15 am Children's Sunday School Dist. Sup. Site visit - Worship 11:00 am meet with Cong. 11:45 am meet with SPRC	<b>21</b>  1:00 pm Quilting	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 6:00 pm GraceKids 7:00 pm Choir	<b>24</b> 9:00 am Bulletin Deadline 7:00 pm Cub Scouts 7:00 pm Lydia Circle D. Committee Ministry Meeting	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> 20th Sunday after Pentecost  9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 10:15 am Children's Sunday School	<b>28</b>  1:00 pm Quilting	<b>29</b>  Newsletter deadline	<b>30</b> 6:00 am Donut Making 6:00 pm GraceKids 6:00 pm Vaping Seminar w/ Jason McCoy 7:00 pm Choir	<b>31</b> 9:00 am Bulletin Deadline 9:00 am Park View 10:00 am Moorhead Rehab Center Living 7:00 pm Cub Scouts		

<b>Date</b>	<b>Psalm</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>Epistle</b>	<b>Gospel</b>
<b>Tue, Oct 1</b>	am: 97, 99, 100, pm: 94, 95	2 Ch 29:1-3, 30:1-27	1 Cor 7:32-40	Matt 7:1-12
<b>Wed, Oct 2</b>	am: 101, 109, pm: 119:121-144	2 Kng 18:9-25	1 Cor 8:1-13	Matt 7:13-21
<b>Thur, Oct 3</b>	am: 105:1-22, pm: 105:23-45	2 Kng 18:28-37	1 Cor 9:1-15	Matt 7:22-29
<b>Fri, Oct 4</b>	am: 102, pm: 107:1-32	2 Kng 19:1-20	1 Cor 9:16-27	Matt 8:1-17
<b>Sat, Oct 5</b>	am: 107:33-43, 108, pm: 33	2 Kng 19:21-36	1 Cor 10:1-13	Matt 8:18-27
<b>Sun, Oct 6</b>	am: 118, pm: 145	2 Kng 20:1-21	Acts 12:1-17	Luke 7:11-17
<b>Mon, Oct 7</b>	am: 106:1-18, pm: 106:19-48	2 Kng 21:1-18	1 Cor 10:14-11:1	Matt 8:28-34
<b>Tue, Oct 8</b>	am: 121, 122, 123, pm: 124, 125, 126	2 Kng 22:1-13	1 Cor 11:2, 17-22	Matt 9:1-8
<b>Wed, Oct 9</b>	am: 119:145-176, pm: 128, 129, 130	2 Kng 22:14-23:3	1 Cor 11:23-34	Matt 9:9-17
<b>Thur, Oct 10</b>	am: 131, 132, 133, pm: 134, 135	2 Kng 23:4-25	1 Cor 12:1-11	Matt 9:18-26
<b>Fri, Oct 11</b>	am: 140, 142, pm: 141, 143	2 Kng 23:36-24:17	1 Cor 12:12-26	Mett 9:27-34
<b>Sat, Oct 12</b>	am: 137, 144, pm: 104	Jer 35:1-19	1 Cor 12:27-13:3	Matt 9:35-10:4
<b>Sun, Oct 13</b>	am: 146, 147, pm: 111, 112, 113	Jer 36:1-10	Acts 14:8-18	Luke 7:36-50
<b>Mon,,Oct 14</b>	am: 1, 2, 3, pm: 4, 7	Jer 36:11-26	1 Cor 13:1-13	Matt 10:5-15
<b>Tue, Oct 15</b>	am: 5, 6, pm: 10, 11	Jer 36:27-37:2	1 Cor 14:1-12	Matt 10:16-23
<b>Wed, Oct 16</b>	am: 119:1-24, pm: 12, 13, 14	Jer 37:3-21	1 Cor 14:13-25	Matt 10:24-33
<b>Thur, Oct 17</b>	am: 18:1-20, pm: 18:21-50	Jer 38:1-13	1 Cor 14:26-33a 37-40	Matt 10:34-42
<b>Fri, Oct 18</b>	am: 16, 17, pm: 22	Jer 38:14-28	1 Cor 15:1-11	Matt 11:1-6
<b>Sat, Oct 19</b>	am: 20, 21, pm: 110, 116, 117	2 Kng 25:8-12, 22-26	1 Cor 15:12-29	Matt 11:7-15
<b>Sun, Oct 20</b>	am: 148, 149, 150, pm: 114, 115	Jer 29:1, 4-14	Acts 16:6-15	Luke 10:1-12, 17-20
<b>Mon, Oct 21</b>	am: 25, pm: 9, 15	Jer 44:1-14	1 Cor 15:30-41	Matt 11:16-24
<b>Tue, Oct 22</b>	am: 26, 28, pm: 36, 39	Lam 1:1-12	1 Cor 15:41-50	Matt 11:25-30
<b>Wed, Oct 23</b>	am: 38, pm: 119:25-48	Lam 2:8-15	1 Cor 15:51-58	Matt 12:1-14
<b>Thur, Oct 24</b>	am: 37:1-18, pm: 37:19-42	Ezra 1:1-11	1 Cor 16:1-9	Matt 12:15-21
<b>Fri, Oct 25</b>	am: 31, pm: 35	Ezra 3:1-13	1 Cor 16:10-24	Matt 12:22-32
<b>Sat, Oct 26</b>	am: 30, 32, pm: 42, 43	Ezra 4:7, 11-24	Philemon 1-25	Matt 12:33-42
<b>Sun, Oct 27</b>	am: 63, 98, pm: 103	Hag 1:1-2:9	Acts 18:24-19:7	Luke 10:25-37
<b>Mon, Oct 28</b>	am: 41, 52, pm: 44	Zech 1:7-17	Rev 1:4-20	Matt 12:43-50
<b>Tue, Oct 29</b>	am: 45, pm: 47, 48	Ezra 5:1-17	Rev 4:1-11	Matt 13:1-9
<b>Wed, Oct 30</b>	am: 119:49-72, pm: 49, 53	Ezra 6:1-22	Rev 5:1-10	Matt 13:10-17
<b>Thur, Oct 31</b>	am: 50, 59, 60, pm: 66, 67	Neh 1:1-11	Rev 5:11-6:11	Matt 13:18-23





## NEW LIFE CENTER FUNDRAISER

Ron Hall of the Same Kind of Different as Me foundation will be the featured speaker at the Social and Dessert event on Tuesday, October

22nd. The VIP Reception is at 5:30 pm, the social is 6:30 pm with the program at 7:00 pm. Mr. Hall's new book is *Workin' Our Way Home*".

### CAN YOU TOP THIS?

When my sister was about 3, my mom overheard her talking with a neighborhood friend.

"My dad works for an insurance agency!" proclaimed the other girl.

Clearly pleased with her status as a pastor's kid, my sister responded haughtily, "Well, My dad works for God!" - Heidi Mann

## BUILD GOD'S KINGDOM

Austrian psychologist Alfred Adler (1870-1937) believed mankind would evolve to the point where everyone would love others.

"There is a law that man should love his neighbor as himself,; he wrote. "In a few hundred years it should be as natural to mankind as breathing or the upright gait; but if he does not learn it, he must perish.:"

Wars, hate, prejudice and evil deeds make Adler's hope seem impossible. Surely anyone heeding the daily news can't trust the old saying, "Day by day, in every way, humankind is getting better and better."

Christians look for God's ultimate triumph over all evil. We pray for Christ's return, for God's kingdom to come and for his will to be done on earth. We await the shout; "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Messiah, and he will reign forever and ever" (Revelations 11:15, NRSV).

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