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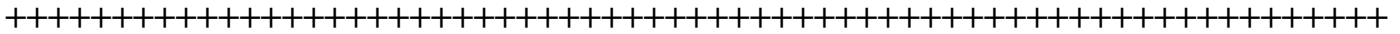
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Grace Lutheran Church

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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WORSHIP TIMES

January –June 2024

8:30 AM at Hope in Mineral Point

10:30 AM at Grace in Darlington

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

May 19

PENTECOST

Come CELEBRATE the BIRTHDAY of the CHURCH!!

The color of the day is RED!!



GRADUATION RECOGNITION



Recognition and blessing will be held during the services at both Hope and Grace for the graduation seniors. At Grace we will recognize Ryker Opland who will be graduating from Shullsburg High School. Reception/fellowship will follow worship services.

BACCALAUREATE – Darlington High School – 7:00 PM

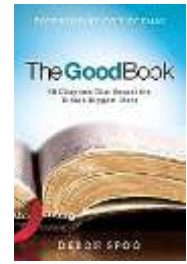
May 26 MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE

COMING IN JUNE!!

Our SUMMER Worship Theme



THE GOOD BOOK – Bible Study and Discussion



Come as you're able! Each session is a chapter from the bible and a new topic. **No book, no problem!** Listen to the scripture as its read aloud, bring your bible, or share with the person next to you.

Mondays at 11:00 AM with lunch!!

SECTION 7 – “FOLLOWING JESUS”

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| May 6 @ Grace | Chapter 34: God Loves the People You Can't Stand | (Acts 10) |
| May 13 @ MP Pointer Cafe | Chapter 35: What Heaven Holds in Store | (Rev. 22) |
| | Chapter 36: Is God Ever Mean? | (Romans 8) |

SECTION 8 - “GOD’S MESSAGE FOR YOU”

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| May 20 @ Grace | Chapter 37: More Than A Feeling | (I Cor. 13) |
| | Chapter 38: Can God Change Your Character? | (Galatians 5) |
| May 27 | MEMORIAL DAY – No meeting | |
| June 3 @ Grace | Chapter 39: Straight Talk | (James 1) |
| | Chapter 40: Becoming Your True Self; Epilogue | (1 John 3) |

IN OUR PRAYERS

We remember in our prayers:



Congregation/Homebound: Gladys Christensen, Jean Belanger, David Chambers, and Stu Vamstad

Friends, Family, & Neighbors: Pastor Larry Balliene , Joan Miller (Jan Riechers' sister), Richard Roelli (Greg's brother), and Buck Virtue (health issues), Callie Rickard (Jacob Riechers' fiancée)

Deaths: Family of Duane and Liz Jorgenson on the death of Duane
 Don and Heather Blosch family on death of Don's mother, Anna Mae
 Bill and Vicki Johnston family on the death of daughter Carissa's husband
 Family of Devan Klepfer (godson of Kitty & Eldon Wilson)



Celebration!



Birthdays

Kevin Kammes (5/4)
 Marilyn Johns (5/11)

Larry Kammes (5/9)
 Gladys Christensen (5/17)

Steve Fleming (5/11)
 Marta Roelli (5/18)

Anniversaries

Marv & Sandy Reis (5/2)

Please let the office know if we have missed your birthday, anniversary, or retirements in the listing so we can add your special day to our records.



WORDS OF GRATITUDE

A big thank you to:

- Mary Ann Roelli and Don Barnard for leading Service of the Word during Pastor Kate’s vacation April 14.
- Steve Kottke for being our representative at Synod Assembly on May 18.
Please keep our Synod and the gathering in your prayers.
- Tana Risseeuw for the awesome bulletin boards she designs at the entrance of the church.
- Harold and Judy Elzen, and Shelly McGowan for decorating the cross for Easter.

Thank You Received

“Thank you for your mission support of \$2,916.60 to the South-Central Synod of WI last year. We are grateful for you, and the way you are engaging in God’s mission in your community and neighborhood. Your generosity sustains us as a synod, empowering us in supporting and encouraging one another, as together we follow the Risen Christ. We are grateful for your generosity and partnership in the Gospel. Thank you again for being part of God’s mission through the mission support you share with the synod and our churchwide ministries around the world.” -- The Rev. Peter Beeson, Associate to the Bishop for Generosity

CARE COMMITTEE



The Care Committee would like to thank all the generous people for donating cards of all kinds for us to send out in time of need. There has been such an overwhelming support we now have enough cards for quite some time. So the box has been taken down for now. Thanks again to the wonderful people that have donated!! Your kindness is very much appreciated.



We will be decorating for summer after the Easter season. Anyone who would like to help out is welcome! Just contact a Care Committee member – Linda Considine, Diane Bredeson, Pat Roelli, Marilyn Johns, Sheila Carrington, or Jalaine Ruegsegger or you can leave a message at the church office.



Manor bingo will be held on Wednesday, May 22. Anyone wishing to volunteer please meet in the Manor basement at 1:30 PM. The residents would love to see your smiling faces and it is always so much fun!!



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS for MAY

	May 5	May 12	May 19	May 26
Altar Care	Linda Considine Diane Bredeson	Marilyn Johns	Jalaine Ruegsegger Sheila Carrington	Pat Roelli Mary Roelli
Reader	Marta Roelli	Marilyn Johns	Jalaine Ruegsegger	Paul Roelli
Greeters*	Mark & Jan Riechers	Dan & Tiffany Meyers Family	Brandon & Alana Black Family	Jalaine Ruegsegger Sheila Carrington
Ushers**	Don Leinberger Gary Borcharding	Don Leinberger Joel Meyers	Don Leinberger Ruby & Bella Black	Don Leinberger Paul Roelli
Acolytes	Marta Roelli	Mercedes Meyers	Vera Black	McKenna Roelli
Communion	Linda Considine	Marilyn Johns	Jalaine Ruegsegger	Mary Roelli
Bread	Pat Roelli	-----	Laura Barnard	-----

**Please arrive 20 minutes early.*

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If you are unable to fulfill your role on a given weekend, please contact another person/family on the Worship Leader Schedule and swap or have someone cover for you.

Please indicate changes ahead of time on that master schedule, **or** if need be, contact the office with changes. (Office: 608.776.4462; darlinglutherans@gmail.com).

FELLOWSHIP SCHEDULE

Thank you for those signed up to provide refreshments and conversation following worship. Directions are posted inside the cabinet in the upstairs fellowship area. If you have questions, please call Vicki Johnston (776-4572) or Pat Roelli (482-0572)



MAY

- 5 - Vicki Johnston/Pat Roelli
- 12 - Tina Riechers/Jan Riechers
- 19 - Judy Boll/Linda Considine
- 26 - Judy Elzen/Missy Zasada

Grace Lutheran Church Council



President: Linda Considine
Vice President Chuck Barnard
Secretary: Kris Fleming
Mary Ann Roelli

Financial Secretary: Steve Fleming
Treasurer: Tina Riechers
Don Barnard
Jody White

Council Highlights – What your council is working on --

- Faith Innovation Team formation—Pastor Kate will be reaching out to members of the congregation to participate
- Financial Committee formation and progress--Steve Fleming is the new Financial Secretary and is working on developing a financial committee. If you are interested in service, please let him know at 608-482-0240.
- Technology Taskforce formation/meeting—The church needs to update some of its technology and will be having a meeting soon to discuss the needs. If you are interested in helping with this, please let Kris Fleming know at 608-482-0404.

NOISY OFFERING

During the offering on Sundays, an **extra** collection is taken up each week for those in need in our community. The designation of the collection for the months of **January thru April** will be given to the **Lafayette County Food Pantry**. The amount collected January-April was \$226.40.

The new designation will be determined and announced after this month.



CONFIRMATION CLASS UPDATE

Due to student scheduling conflicts, the group will have their final gathering on Thursday, May 9, 5:30-7:30 PM at Pastor Kate's home with a meal. Please keep our student in your prayers: McKenna Roelli, Brynn White, Bella Black, and Mercedes Meyers

SUGAR CREEK BIBLE CAMP

The 2024 schedule for Sugar Creek Bible Camp is out!! Check out the Calendar of Events listed on the bulletin board in the narthex. Lots of camps and activities from now through December!! Their website (www.sugarcreekbiblecamp.org) has online information and registration.





LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF (LWR) PERSONAL CARE KITS & BABY CARE KITS



We have been collecting items for Lutheran World Relief (LWR) Personal Care and Baby Care Kits thru end of April. The deadline has been extended to the end of May. Items **still needed** to complete the kits are: more metal nail clippers, lots of lightweight cotton t-shirts (not Onesies), lots of long or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet), jacket or sweatshirt with hood for baby/small child, and lots more cloth diapers. T-shirts are also being accepted. Bins are provided for any donated items.

COMMUNITY

Lafayette County Food Pantry



The Lafayette County Food Pantry is currently in **strong need of donations**. They have had a **large increase of families in need!** All types of **groceries, household supplies, personal care products** (shampoo, conditioner, lotion, etc.), **baby wipes, diapers (sizes 2, 3, & 5). Toilet paper and paper towels** are always needed.

Non-perishable donations can be dropped off at Grace in the shopping cart located near the fellowship area. **Frozen** products can be dropped off at the Food Pantry on Tuesdays or Thursdays (10:00-3:00). Tell them you represent Grace Lutheran Church, and your donation will be added to our ongoing count of pounds for 2024! **April total was 64 #! The total for 2024 is 349#.**

MEALS ON WHEELS

Grace Lutheran's next time to deliver meals are the months of **June** and **November**. Contact Marilyn Johns at 608/482-1771 if you would like to help.



GOSPEL MUSIC FEST



Mineral Point Gospel Music Fest will be held on Saturday, June 8 from 10:00 AM-5:00 PM at the Iowa County Fair Grounds in Mineral Point. Gospel music will be presented by many Christian signers and groups (Nondenominational). Free admission and food will be available to purchase. Free will offerings will be given to the music groups. Check out the poster on the narthex bulletin board.

GRACE IN PICTURES



Holy Week



Easter Sunday March 31



May 2024

Pastor's Schedule (608/732-9688)
 Pastor.GraceDar@gmail.com
 Mondays - Thursdays
 Fridays: Pastor's Day Off

Office Hours
 Tana Risseuw, Adm. Assistant (608/558-0697)
 DarlingLutherans@gmail.com
 Tuesday-Thursday 9:00-Noon

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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8:30 AM 5 Worship/Hope 10:30 AM Worship/Grace 11:50 AM Grace Council	11:00 AM 6 The Good Book Study with Lunch @ Grace	7	8	5:30-7:30 PM 9 Confirmation Gathering with dinner @ Pastor's home	10	11
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PENTECOST 19 8:30 AM Worship/Hope 10:30 AM Worship/Grace Grad Recognition 7:00 PM DHS Baccalaureate	11:00 AM 20 The Good Book Study with Lunch @ Grace	21	1:30 AM 22 Manor Bingo	10:30 AM 23 Worship at MP Care Center	24 Newsletter Deadline	25
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Return Service Requested



Mission Statement

We are Grace people. Jesus Christ sends us out to:

- + Feed the hungry
- + Welcome every child
- + Seek out the stranger
- + Give thanks to God in all things
- + Follow the way of the cross

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 Pastor's phone: 608.732.9688

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Newsletter Deadline
 Items need to be submitted for the
 June Newsletter by May 24

