



Good News of Grace



May 2019

Grace Lutheran Church
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“Reaching out to all people as Disciples of Christ, we serve God, proclaim our faith and care for all creation.”

May Highlights

May 5 - 10:15am Sunday School

**May 12 - 10:15am Faith Formation
with Brian Dearing**

May 19 - 9am Confirmation



Sylvia Sampe and Paeton Umhoefer will be confirmed on Sunday, May 19, during worship. Please come and celebrate as they affirm the gift of faith.

May 19 - 10:15am Sunday School

A Note from Pastor Bill

Recently, we had an interesting phone call made to our congregation. It was from a woman who told us that the Lord told her to call. She wanted to pose some questions on our inclusion of LGBT+ people in our congregation. She quoted scripture and gave us some guidance on how we should structure our ministry.

While we may disagree with this woman's theology or her use of scripture (which was out of context) it is a good reminder to us that as Christians we have a very special ministry in our community. There are not many congregations on the North Shore that have an open and inclusive welcome to people from the LGBT+ community. And that welcome is an important part of our ministry.

Time and again people from the LGBT community come to our congregation and are amazed at the welcome they receive. I remember one guest who was visiting the area and she told me that by the end of her one

Worship and Education

Worship Schedule:

Sunday - 9am

Tuesday Devotional - 12:10pm



Education

Faith Formation - Sundays 10:15am

Bible Study - Thursday 12pm

Sunday visit she felt like she was a long time member of the congregation.

This is new for LGBT people. For decades LGBT people have been asked to leave or have been forced out of churches who are doing what they feel keeps them closer to God and the gospel. Ironically, they are doing the exact opposite. The gospel calls us to reach out to the least, the lost, and the last. It calls us to make

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room at our table for those who have been refused at other tables. It calls us to be Christ-like in a world needing grace.

This congregation is different in that it takes the call of God to invite all to the table very seriously. But, if we reach out to people in our community who have been excluded it may open us up to questioning, criticism, or even protest. This should never deter us from our mission to bring Christ to a world in need. To say to those who have been excluded "You are invited to join us here." It should never stop us from being GRACE.

Pastor's Patio Ponderings

Save the dates and watch bulletins, Grace Notes and future newsletters for discussion topics.

June: Wed. 6/12, 7pm
Mon. 6/24, 7pm
July : Mon. 7/8, 7pm
Tue. 7/16, 7pm
Tue. 7/30, 7pm
Aug: Wed. 8/7, 6:30pm



Undy 500 Reminder

Off to the races with the Undy 500 kickoff for Guest House! Join us on May 3 at 5pm for a meal and games, followed by a viewing of the Disney movie *Cars*, with popcorn at 6pm. Please bring a donation of new men's underwear, undershirts or socks.



Spring Cleaning

Join us on **Friday, May 17** from noon-7pm and/or **Saturday, May 18** from 8am to 3pm for a cleanup day inside and outside. Come dust, sweep, mop, and organize the property. Each room will have a checklist of what needs to be done on the door. We will also be marking and moving items into Keep, Rummage and Toss areas.



Museum Hopping Group Update

By Nancy Spindler

Historic Milwaukee, the walking tour company, is doing a headset audio tour of downtown Milwaukee architecture called "The Hop Tour". The tour takes place on the new streetcar at 2 pm on Saturdays. More to come. Signup at the communication desk or talk to Nancy Spindler.

Blind Wine Tasting

Join us on **Friday, May 10, 7pm** for blind wine tasting here at Grace. The wine will be masked so you will not know what it is until it is unveiled. Bring your glass and a \$10 tasting donation.



Children's Library

In the parlor we now have a children's library. It is on the lower two shelves of the bookcase. We also have a children's take home activity table next to their kids table in the narthex. These activity books will be updated with the time of the year and theme.

Ethnic Dining

We have made some changes to ethnic dining. We were meeting on the second Saturday every other month. We wanted it to be easy for everyone to attend, but Saturdays are hard to book in a restaurant when you have a good-sized group. We have a group that comes on a regular basis and we have decided to move it to the third Wednesday of the month starting in June. We will be going to Kegel's in West Allis. Sign up will start the 3rd Sunday in May. Thank you.

Dinner with Friends

Dinner with friends will be meeting in two different groups and times in May. You should have received your assignment by email. If you have any questions, please give me a call.



News and Notes

All Peoples' Church Food Pantry Item Update

All Peoples' is very much in need of non-perishable food items. Please drop items in the bin in the narthex.



Guest House Sandwiches

We assemble sandwiches for the guests at the Guest House *twice* each month, on the first and third Wednesdays, at 8:30am. Join us for this opportunity to serve and to enjoy fellowship with one another on Wednesday, **May 1 and 15**.



Grace Outing at Miller Park

With the baseball season under way, tickets can now be purchased for the Grace Outing at Miller Park. The game is on Sunday, June 23 at 1:10 against the Cincinnati Reds. All fans in attendance will receive a fanny pack. The cost is \$35 per person for adults and \$20 per person for anyone under 18. This price includes a game ticket, food, beverages, and transportation to and from the game. To help with the tailgate, it would be appreciated if you could bring a salad or dessert to pass. You can sign up for the game at the information desk or by seeing Terry Young. You can also call Terry at 377-9563.



Memorial Fund Activity for March

Income:	\$39
Expenditures:	\$0
Balance:	\$3,538
(Designated:	\$1,005)
(Available:	\$2,533)

May Birthdays

Name	Date
Stevie-Lyn Zenke	4
Aiden Hollander	15
Keegan Hollander	15
Gretchen Stahle	15
Bonnie Kern	16
Maya Rauen	17
Todd Habermann	19
Tom Gauthier	20
Erika Campbell	21
Ben Zeller	21
Matt Junker	22
Christine Bettridge	23
Mike Buczynski	23
Chelsea Karthaus	23
Erin Umhoefer	23
Harold Umhoefer	23
Beth Buczynski	25
Gerald Laabs	30
Miles Stone	31



If you have a birthday this month and your name is not listed, we apologize. Please call the church office so that we update our records.

Thank you!

Let's Crow About Our Kids

Homestead High School Second Trimester Honor Roll



Freshman High Honor Roll:
Quinn Buczynski, Elliot Nimmer

Junior High Honor Roll:
Maggie Ferguson, Charlie Ferguson,
Jack Kamarainen, Xavier Robar, Ben Zeller

Senior Honor Roll:
Jake Zeller

Quilting Information

The quilters thank you for all the donated fabric. Keep them coming! Please be sure it is clean.

P.S. Sandy tracked our 2018 quilts to Mauritania, a country in western Africa.



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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Worship with Holy Communion:

Sundays: 9:00am
Tuesdays: 12:10pm

Education:

Faith Formation - Sundays 10:15am
Bible Study - Thursdays: 12pm



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MAY LEADERS

	GREETERS	HOSTS
	9:00 am	
5	Diane Umhoefer	Jim Button
12	Steve Mussatti	TBD
19	Stacy Rauen	Jim & Anna Martin
26	The Youngs	Jennifer Bartz

READERS	
	9am
5	Judy Button
12	Jordan Beck
19	Bev Leidel
26	JoAnn Holdmann

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS		
	Bread	Wine
5	Karen Larsen	1. Helga Ickert 2. Elsbeth Bruhnke
12	Rip McManus	1. Rosa McManus 2. Sandy Smith
19	Tom Gauthier	1. JoAnn Holdmann 2. Pam Johnson
26	Dan Driewer	1. Kathy Young 2. Geri Schesel

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP (sign up with a buddy!)	
5	
12	
19	WAM Team - Thank You Volunteers
26	

COMMUNION SET-UP (See Diane Umhoefer to sign up)

9am	
May 5	Beth Buczynski
May 12	Theresa Umhoefer
May 19	Lisa & Andrew Knuth
May 26	Julie Nutter

USHERS

May 5	Nancy Perez & Alice Sedgwick
May 12	Terry & Kathy Young
May 19	Terry & Kathy Young
May 26	Nancy Perez & Alice Sedgwick

COUNTERS

May 5/6	Mark Ortell* and Jim Button
May 12/13	Steve Mussatti* and Beth Buczynski
May 19/20	John Walch* and Shirley Warber
May 26/27	Ralph Buchweitz* and Christa Buchweitz

ACOLYTES	
	9 am
5	Antonio Baum
12	Sadie Ferguson
19	Madalynne Baum
26	Maya Rauen

Pews: Nancy Perez

Help us Serve!

Please help us out in the office by letting us know if you would like to be a worship volunteer. Try something new! We'll get you trained and ready to go!

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 8:15am Guest House Sandwiches	2 9:00am Quilting 12:00pm Bible Study 6:30pm Bell Rehearsal	3 5:00pm Undy 500	4 9:00am Men's Bible Study 9:00am SBG Band Practice
5 8:15am SBG Band Warm-Up 9:00am Worship/ Com. 10:15am Finance Team Mtg. 10:15am Sunday School	6	7 9:00am Pr's Colectivo hrs. 12:10pm Worship/Com 6:30pm Scouts	8	9 12:00pm Bible Study 6:30pm Bell Rehearsal 7:30pm Scouts	10 7pm Wine Tasting	11
12 8:30am Chancel Choir Warns Up 9:00am Worship/ Com. <i>Blood Pressure Screening Before/After Worship</i> 10:15am Faith Formation with Brian Dearing	13	14 9:00am Pr's Colectivo hrs. 12:10pm Worship/Com 6:30pm Scouts 7:00pm Council Meeting	15 8:15am Guest House Sandwiches 9:00am Northshore Retired Clergy Mtg.	16 9:00am Quilting 12:00pm Bible Study 6:30pm Bell Rehearsal - final	17 12pm Spring Clean Up	18 8am Spring Clean Up 9:00am Men's Bible Study 9:00am SBG Band Practice-final
19 CONFIRMATION 8:15am SBG Warm-up 9:00am Worship/ Com. 10:15am Chancel Choir Rehearsal—final 10:15am Sunday School	20 5:30pm Lakeshore Modern Quilters	21 9:00am Pr's Colectivo hrs. 10:00am Shalom @Joan Grothman's Home 12:10pm Worship/Com 3:00pm Synod Council Meeting	22	23 12:00pm Bible Study 7:30pm Scouts	24	25 Lor Event F.H.
26 9:00am Worship/ Com.	27 Happy Memorial Day! <i>Office Closed</i>	28 9:00am Pr's Colectivo hrs. 12:10pm Worship/Com	29	30 12:00pm Bible Study	31 6:30pm Hennings Recital - Sanct.	