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Growing in Grace increases the likeness of Christ through the power of the Spirit. Do you ask yourself: "Am I growing more like Jesus by trusting in the power of the Holy Spirit?" As everything begins to grow around us in these warm summer Wisconsin months, let's be aware of how often we are letting grace guide us in our every day. Do you treat critics and those that differ with compassion, love and mercy? Do you find the need to prove you are right all the time? Have you inflicted wounds on others based on your words or deeds. Throughout the month of June, allow yourself to Grow in God's Grace by doing any of the following below or creating your own.

- 1. Smile at someone that you don't know.
- 2. Pay the person that checks you out a compliment.
- 3. Volunteer at the Lord's Cupboard.
- 4. Open the door for someone.
- 5. Apologize to someone you have hurt.
- 6. Reach out to a family member.
- 7. Encourage another.
- 8. Write a letter telling someone how important they are.
- 9. Pay for someone's cup of coffee or soft drink.
- 10. Be kind to an individual you disagree with.
- 11. Make someone laugh.
- 12. Donate your time to help those in need.
- 13. Refrain from complaining.
- 14. Put someone else's cart away.
- 15. Share a cold drink and snack with a delivery person.

- 16. Leave positive feedback at a store or restaurant.
- 17. Invite someone who is alone to dinner.
- 18. Talk to someone older or younger than you and share a story with each other.
- 19. Say something nice to every person you speak with.
- 20. Leave a kind note for someone to find.
- 21. Practice being mindful and fully present all day.
- 22. Let someone ahead of you at the grocery store.
- 23. Remember to say please and thank you.
- 24. Leave a generous tip if you are able to.
- 25. Check on a neighbor.
- 26. Off to help a neighbor with yard work.
- 27. Only post positive messages on social media.
- 28. Give someone flowers.
- 29. Make someone laugh.
- 30. Reach out to someone that is ill, suffering a loss, fighting depression, or lonely.



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#### Pastor Gwen's June Office Hours:

Monday 1-4PM Wednesday 2-5:30PM



God's Word

**June Bible Readings** 

#### June 4, 2023 – Holy Trinity Sunday

First Lesson Psalm 8 Second Lesson Gospel Genesis 1:1-2:4

2 Corinthians 13:11-13 Matthew 28:16-20

#### June 11, 2023 – 2nd Sunday after Pentecost First Lesson Hosea 5:15-6:6

First Lesson Psalm 50:7-15 Second Lesson Gospel

Romans 4:13-25

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

#### June 18, 2023 – 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Psalm 100 Second Lesson Gospel Exodus 19:2-8a

Romans 5:1-8 Matthew 9:35-10:8

#### June 25, 2023 – 4th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson Psalm 69:7-18 Second Lesson Gospel Jeremiah 20:7-13

Romans 6:1b-11 Matthew 10:24-39



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Woman's Group meets every Tuesday from 10AM -2PM.



Men's Group will meet Saturday, June 10th at 8AM.



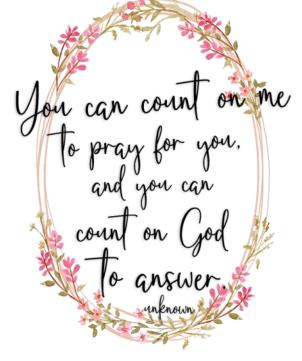


Please remember these people and requests in your prayers.

Health/Concerns: Craig, Marty, Jim, Mary, Olivia, Stephanie, Carrie, Meg, Allen, Ruth, Nancy, Tim, Brad, Susan, Paul, Fred and Patti.

**Military:** Anton, Allesa Marrie, Ryan, Josh, Autumn, and Natalie.

CTS Church Council, WELCA, Quilting Ministry, Adult Bible Studies, CTS Youth, AIDS orphans in Malawi, Hunger and poverty in the world, Ukrainian people and Sleep in Heavenly Peace Ministry.





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# s'more prayer card

SUMMER VACATION IS HERE. NO HOMEWORK. NO EARLY BEDTIMES (MAYBE). TIME FOR POPSICLES, WATERMELON AND S'MORES. CAMPING AND BEING OUTSIDE....

> SUMMER VACATION DOESN'T MEAN A VACATION FROM GOD. WE MUST STILL PRAY EVERY DAY.

Here is a fun way to use each part of a smore to come up with a simple prayer.

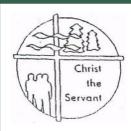
FIRST GRAHAM CRACKER: START WITH BREETING GOD.



MARSHMALLOW: LIFE CAN GET STICKY SO WE ASK GOD FOR HIS HELP. WE MAKE MISTAKES. SAD AND SCARY THINGS HAPPEN. ANYTHING YOU NEED, TURN TO GOD AND TELL HIM.

FINAL GRAHAM CRACKER: END YOUR PRAYER. THANK GOD FOR ALL THAT HE HAS SIVEN YOU. THEN END YOUR PRAYER WITH AN "AMEN!"

CHOCOLATE GOD'S LOVE IS SWEET. THANK GOD FOR ALL THE WAYS YOU FEEL GOD'S LOVE LIKE THE BEAUTY OF NATURE, YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY AND THE WARMTH OF THE SUN.



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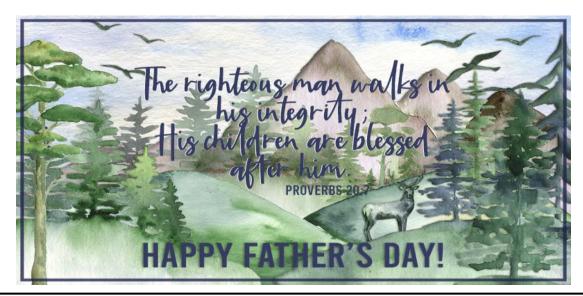
**Bible Study:** Bible Study will continue on Sunday mornings after Coffee Hour. Come join us for a great discussion about Scripture and how it impacts our lives.

**Men's Group:** Men's group will be meeting on June 10th at 8:00 AM. The topic of study is Book of James. See Pastor or Scott Carpenter for a study guide. All men are welcome to and encouraged to come!

**Farmer's Market:** Farmer's market is in full swing for the summer in our parking lot. The hours are Wednesdays from 2:00-5:30 p.m.

**Sleep In Heavenly Peace:** R. B. Melvold is organizing a new group at Christ the Servant that will be a chapter of a larger organization around the country. They will be making beds for youths in our community that do not have one of their own. A wonderful new ministry for Price County. If you want to get involved see R.B. You do not need to be a member of our church to join, help out or to donate! Donations to help get started are being accepted. You can make out checks to Christ the Servant noting SHP in the memo line.

**Thank You**: Thank you to all who donated books, Bibles and cash for the Love Packages collection. And big thank you to Jann Clark for taking care of this program once again this year.



~Christians Serving God By Serving Others~



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## **Volunteer Schedule June & July 2023**

Date	Assisting Minister	Altar Guild	Coffee Hour	Ushers
June 4th	Mary Rusch			
June 11th	Kurt Wolff	Jann Clark	Sarah Wolff	R.B. & Beth Melvold
June 18th				
June 25th			Paul & Nancy Miller	Paul & Nancy Miller
July 2nd				
July 9th				
July 16th				
July 23rd				
July 30th				