

by the Grace of God



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The Living Dead

There seems to be a pattern of paradoxes within Christianity. The Apostle Paul lists out the majority of these with some notable highlights: suffering leads to comfort (2 Co 1:3-7), poverty leads to riches (2 Co 8:9), and weakness leads to strength (2 Co 12:9-10). However, Jesus gives us some of the most striking paradoxes: blessed are those who mourn (Mt 5:4), the last shall be first (Mt 20:16), and what might be the most shocking paradox - *"Whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life because of Me and because of the gospel will save it"* (Mark 8:35).

Losing your life in order to save it... this is a difficult teaching. Some think that Jesus is speaking literally, in which case this paradox would only apply to martyrs. Others think that Jesus is only speaking metaphorically - He doesn't really expect anyone to physically die does He?! The answer to this dilemma can be found in the context and in the word Jesus uses for "life." The word that some translations record as "life" is actually the Greek word "soul." For Jesus then asks the rhetorical question, *"For what does it benefit a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his soul? Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul?"*

You see, what Jesus intends us to understand through this teaching is that our eternal soul is the most valuable thing we possess, and that the direction of the soul will inexorably determine the direction of our entire lives.

The Apostle Paul carries Jesus' teaching further with his assessment of the law when he writes to the Galatians, *"For through the law I died to the law so that I may live to God. I have been crucified with Christ, and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. So the life I now live in the body, I live because of the faithfulness of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me"* (Ga 2:19-20).

This is the beautiful exchange of the gospel, this is the paradox of God's grace - by dying to our own merited righteousness we are offered new life through Christ. The reception of this grace now makes us alive by God's Spirit, such that we have become those who, having died with Christ, now fully live. May this paradox be the defining hope of your life, that you may excel in Christlikeness knowing your eternal soul is held in safekeeping by the God who loves you!

For more study on this subject see: John 11:23-26; Romans 6:1-4; Colossians 2:20-3:5; Philippians 1:21

Blessings,
Pastor Ryan

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Lenten/Easter Schedule

- ~ Apr. 2 Palm Sunday
- ~ Apr. 6 Maundy Thursday
Seder Meal 6:00pm
- ~ Apr. 7 Good Friday
Combined Service at
Zion Lutheran 6:00pm
- ~ Apr. 9 Easter Sunday
Easter Brunch to follow

Our Youth



Grace Kids

I love the thought of the Spring newsletter because it means Spring is almost here...hopefully! Our kids have been busy this winter! We had our annual *Family Fun Night* at church in January, and it was super fun! I love seeing all the kids playing together at church!

In Sunday School the kids are being challenged to learn the books of the Bible, along with their weekly Bible verses. For me personally, I find so much joy in my daughter practicing her verses and Books of the Bible throughout the week.



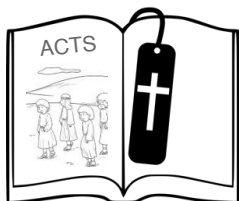
We have a wonderful volunteer, Pam Trask, who is starting a chime choir with our kids (and some adults) during fellowship on Sundays. She is also practicing songs for the kids to sing in church. I can't wait to hear all that our kiddos are practicing!

Summer camp is filling up fast, so if you have not gotten your kids signed up, do so soon. When you sign your kids up, be sure to let me (Emily) know so that we can plan for the camp budget. We will be having a bake sale this Spring to cover the cost of camp for the kids.

We are praising the Lord for all that He is doing in the lives of our little ones at Grace!

Children's Church PreK/ K+

While the older kids in Children's Church are learning and memorizing the Books of the Bible, the younger kids are getting a familiarization. They have learned that the Bible is one big book with many small books inside, each with its own name, and that these books have many stories and lessons for us. We will often hear a song that lists all of the books (found on YouTube: [The Bigsby Show Books of the Bible](#)) and have learned the first five books in order using hand motions to help us remember.

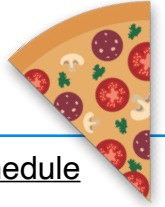


Each week, the teacher will point out where in the Bible the lesson is coming from for the day. In February, our stories were coming from the Book of Acts and the children heard how this is after Jesus was born, died, lived again and went to be with His Father God in heaven, and the people who knew about Him had begun to tell all the other people because "**Jesus is for...everyone!**"

Blessings, Donna Cline

Youth Group

Hello Everyone. Our Youth Group has been busy so far this year. We usually meet on **Wednesdays 5:30-7pm**. Dinner is provided and following our lesson we love to play a game of some sort. We have been learning new games together and we always end up having a great time, and sometimes make a mess -haha. We have had as many as 15 students come to youth group of a variety of ages, so we are just calling it Youth Group.



Come March 24th we will be making our "Famous" take and bake pizzas at our annual Lock-in. This year's proceeds go to our church's Mission projects. Please reach out to any youth group member to order your pizzas. We are hoping to be more involved in local missions this year and some of our members are hoping to go on the next International Mission Trip. The last few months have been busy and we look forward to the rest of the year. We hope to continue to help at the Community Meals by helping with clean up. We did a Children's Sermon at church on "plugging into God" and we may have been a bit nervous but God was with us the whole time. We plan to finish the school year with a picnic at Dawson Lake at the end of May. We are also going to get a sledding trip in to Ezekial's house. This crew continues to be super engaged in their faith and we could not be more proud of them. They are always willing to lend a hand and most importantly they support each other. Thank you church family for always supporting us and being a part of our lives. God Bless, Jessica and Natalie

Youth Group Schedule

March 1
 March 8
 March 15 - Pizza Forms are Due
 March 22 - Comm. Meal Clean-up
 March 24 - LOCK-IN Doors open at 7pm; Sat. Pickup is at 7am
 March 29
 April 5 - NO Youth Group
 April 12
 April 19
 April 26
 May 3
 May 10
 May 17 - NO Youth Group
 May 24
 May 31 - At Dawson Lake

March

- 2 Rod Bennetts, Sandra Haustein, Landon Jackson
- 3 Masyn Alexa, John Glodich
- 5 Maria DeWitt
- 6 Carol Felker
- 7 Paul Giltner
- 9 Lee Bowser, Dylan Schultz, Rod Bjorkman
- 11 Lila Chiamulera, Rose Kaetzl, Kristen Washburn
- 12 Bob Berg
- 13 Aubrey Applekamp
- 14 Sandy Blockland
- 15 Lonnie MacIntyre
- 18 Mara Klein
- 19 Seth Murray
- 21 Faith Johnson
- 22 Noah Holsworth, Jason Oman
- 24 Mark Mylchreest
- 25 Dan Felker
- 27 Sharry Sandberg, Larry Stroud
- 28 Robert Applekamp
- 29 Rob Boussum
- 30 Jase Washburn
- 31 Zeke Holsworth, CJ Kennard, Jean Panek, Carrie Scott

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



April

- 2 Erin Towns
- 8 Barry Holsworth, Pix (Pixie) Mayfield
- 10 Charlene Lee, Wyatt Mattson
- 13 Chris Kuzak
- 15 Joanne Dennis, Brianne Heyrman
- 16 Bruce Reimer
- 18 Luke Fleming
- 20 Elijah Langteau
- 22 Bernie Chiamulera, Olivia Hansen, Herb MacIntyre
- 23 Micah Flunker, Kathy Holsworth, Tony Rossi
- 25 Chelsea Knapp, Rae Process
- 27 Rosanna Glodich, Dawn McDonald, Terry McDonald
- 29 Geri Schwartz, MacKenzie Taylor
- 30 Avery Anderson, Fern MacIntyre

May

- 2 Kim Nichols
- 6 Emma Scott
- 8 Darlene Carlson, Cheryl Johnson
- 9 Robert Austin Boussum, John Schwartz
- 10 Jack Feak
- 12 Judy Steinbrecher
- 14 Austin Alexa
- 15 Pastor Ryan Flunker, Mae Olsen, Karanda Smith
- 17 Matt Cline, Delta Holsworth, Mason Murray, Jana Underwood
- 18 Shirley Bennetts, Tolisa Conery
- 19 Gabriella Schultz
- 21 Nehemiah Langteau
- 22 Shannon Ditzenberger
- 24 Mike Nylund, Elijah Schwartz
- 25 Penny Bowser
- 27 Violet Perron

Reaching Out



National / International Missions

The International Missions Committee has expanded to include National Missions as well. Our national missionaries include: Nick and Cory Ann Hulce at Camp JIM in Minnesota, Jerry and Jane Casey in Alaska, and Matt and Sukey Lynskey in Pennsylvania.

For our international missionaries, besides Sam and Cayla in the Middle East, and Pastor Sreeraj in India, we also added Dale and Lisette Bourne in Morelia, Michoacan, Mexico.

We are looking to have a national mission trip go later this year, with more details to follow. We are also working on planning other international and national mission trips, developing them in accordance with the "Great Commission" the Lord has asked us all to follow. We are working on the details for these trips and will be releasing the details in July. So much planning is currently being done behind the scenes at this point.

We will be working to revamp and update the missionary board in the fellowship hall as well. We want it to reflect a current representation of our missionaries in the U.S. and abroad. We also will have a mission committee member sharing information about one of our missionaries at the end of each month in our church service. We are hoping that by doing this, our church family will get to know more about our missionaries serving and how to better support them in prayers and finances.

Keep this committee in your prayers as there is much research and contacts to make in preparing for upcoming mission opportunities.

In Christ, Jesse and Shannon Hansen



Grace's Quilting Ministry *"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."*

1 Peter 4:10

Grace's quilting ministry serves others with gifts of quilts to individuals who need a message of hope through God's love. We were blessed to give 4 baby blankets to Grace's Closet, a ministry which helps new mothers with needs for their new infants. We also gave 5 lap quilts to church and community members who needed a lift from knowing we care.



Grace's quilting ladies meet every **Thursday from 9:30am-2:30pm** at Judy Paul's house. We would love to welcome new members. You do not need to know how to quilt. We will teach you.

Please call Jana Underwood, 906-396-6729, for questions or directions.

Food Ministry Carl is asking if possible to donate food every week. He will keep people informed on what is needed. Things that are needed are paper products and nonperishable products. We are serving 12 families. The next delivery dates are: **March 20, April 17, and May 22**

Have any questions call Carl (906)542-3872 from 8-5, or talk to him at church. Thank you very much for your donations and help making this food ministry work. Thanks, Carl and Bonnie Johnson



Helping Hearts

“Blooming Hearts of Love” February Outreach



Our Helping Hearts February outreach went to Freeman Nursing Home. The day was perfect, and lots of “Sunshine” filled the room! Our hands were busy filling beautiful vases with carnations, along with a goodie bag with lotions, raisins and chocolate hearts. The day was filled with lots of love, lots of help, lots of joy, and lots of flowers! Our ministry has been so blessed by God and by those who “Help.” All praise and glory to our Lord, King Jesus!



Soup for the Heart

Come join us for a few hours of fun and fellowship making soup and help deliver to our area families and friends who need a lift and a little conversation. **Fri., March 10, 9am-12 / Sat., April 15, 9am-12**

Helping Hearts Visit to ICMCF

Calling all Helping Hearts, or any heart interested in visiting some of the residents at ICMCF. Restrictions are off, but you still have to wear a mask when entering the facility. It would be nice to try to visit every other month, like we did before covid. The following date is planned for **Saturday, March 18, from 1-2pm**. We can carpool from the church at 12:30. Hope to see you there! For questions please call Lois at 906-396-3953.

Helping Hearts Annual Luncheon & Meeting

Come one, come all! Join us for our annual luncheon of the Helping Hearts! We gather to celebrate the past year's accomplishments and to discuss future events. Please come and join us, and bring your ideas! If you are looking to become a Helping Heart, or just have a big heart and want to help, come join us for our luncheon on **Saturday, April 1, from 11:30am-1pm**, at the Holiday Kitchen in Iron Mountain. Reservations are needed. Please contact Lois at 906-396-3953.

Helping Hearts "May a Flower Bless Your Day"

We like flowers! Everyone likes flowers! Flowers brighten a day! Flowers can bring a smile and happiness! Flowers are welcoming! They say, “I love you!” They say, “God loves you, and so do we!” Come see what is in the works for this Helping Hearts outreach to Victorian Heights on **Saturday, May 13, from 10am-1pm**.

"And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased." Heb. 13:16

♥ In His Service, Lois Daleen

Women's Ministries

Happy Crafters

Penny Bowser and I were talking one day about getting together to make cards. She suggested we meet at church so we could "spread out." We mentioned it to a couple of other ladies, then decided we needed a name. BING... BANG... BOOM... Happy Crafters was born! We made new friends, enjoyed some delicious treats, and have been able to encourage one another along the way. We welcome you to join us.



We are continuing to meet on the **first Wednesday of each month, from 10:00am-4:00pm**. You can contact Teresa Cram at 906-875-3114 or Penny Bowser at 906-282-6252 if you have questions.

Submitted by Teresa Cram



Bible Journaling

Hello Church! We're continuing our Bible Journaling in the devotional journal, "100 Days of Grace & Gratitude." I give ongoing ideas for you to use to be creative while you sit with Jesus and journal. You can follow along at your own pace, and participate on your own (if you can't make it to class). It's really fun, relaxing and easy, and encourages you to be in the Word. Plus it reinforces the subject of each devotion to help you remember God's truths.



Our class is monthly and does other projects. We follow the theme of the season. For example, for Spring and Easter we will be considering that we are a new creation (we have been crucified with Christ and risen with Him). Feel free to bring other ideas with you. The Bible Journaling class is on the same day as Happy Crafters, meeting at **1:00pm**. Come and join us! Blessings, ❤️ Dawn Dryjanski

(From Grace Flunker):

Here is a page from the journal, with a devotion and scripture verses on God's loving gifts of peace, mercy and forgiveness. The second page is blank for you to create whatever the Spirit prompts based on the devotion. Dawn gives ideas to work with. For this page she suggested we use at least 3 of these: the word "reward," "grateful," something purple, a bow, lace, a tag. Creating this page helped me to remember and dwell on these truths about God's gifts for me, and to offer Him thanks!



The Chicks

The Chicks just had a Prayer Connection event at church where we had prayer stations with prompts for specific prayer. It turned out beautiful and something we may want to do again. It was very touching and God drew each of us in, in a way that reached us personally.

Coming up this spring there will be a health presentation event on **Saturday, May 6**, time TBA. This summer we are looking at traveling to lower Michigan to hike at Hartwick Pines, do a Kirtland Warbler geocache trail, and hike to a church in the middle of the woods. More events will come up with God's guidance and I look forward to His leading. As always, I encourage any "Chick" to join us for any event and welcome any suggestions. I would appreciate prayer for God's guidance in anything the Chicks do. In Christ, Lisa



Faith & Friendship

Faith and Friendship has a wonderful group of ladies that love to laugh and learn together. If you think you would enjoy being with us, feel free to join any or all of our meetings. We would love to have you.



MARCH: **Sunday the 12th** we will be in charge of the coffee hour at church. Then, on **Thursday the 16th at 1:00pm**, Cheryl Johnson will teach us about *Essential Oils of the Bible*. (Her address is 557 Peterson Rd., Mansfield Township.) Many of us will be attending the Women's Retreat on **March 25th**. Hope to see you there.

APRIL: The *3rd Annual Mother, Daughter, Sister, Friend Tea* is scheduled for **April 29th at 2:00pm**. Also, at the end of April, we will be helping MaryBeth at *The Potting Shed* to unload plants and flowers off the delivery truck. This is always a fun day and it feels good to do an Act of Service for someone!

MAY: On **May 18th at 1:00pm** we will meet at Jorga Stewart's (640 Old 69 Rd., Mansfield Township) to discuss *Herbs of the Bible*. New Secret Sisters!

Have lots planned for the coming months, too! Love and Blessings to you all for keeping our group going. You are all a Blessing!
I Love you all!! Jorga and Penny

Mother, Daughter, Sister, Friend Tea - now including Secret Sister Reveal

April 29 at 2:00pm is the date and time to save for our *3rd Annual Mother, Daughter, Sister, Friend Tea* which will now include The Secret Sister reveal!! You do not have to be in Secret Sisters to attend, everyone is welcome. Secret Sisters can share some fun S.S. stories that happened this past year.

Come check out the incredible tablescapes, the delicious dainty snacks, and beautiful fellowship with the girls and ladies of our church and their friends and families. There are several ways to be involved:



1. Set up a table. It can be themed, such as woodland, farmhouse, elegant, picnic, etc., or just use your pretty china. Tables are set for 8-10, and you can fill each seat, or offer the extras to those attending but not providing a table.
2. Bring some "tea treats." Time to bring out your fancy recipes!
3. Attend! Bring your mother, your daughter, your sister, or your friend... hey, that would make a great name for our tea! All ages are invited, but we need reservations to be sure to have a special space for each lady or girl.

Any questions, please contact Jorga, Penny or CJ, (who may be there). 😊

New Secret Sisters

"Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourself. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord." Romans 12:10-11

New Secret Sisters will be picked on **May 7th** right after church service. **Secret sister forms will be handed out in mid April due back April 30th**. This secret sister session will be shorter with the revealing at a Christmas Party. Date TBA.



The main purpose of Secret Sister is to pray for your sister throughout the year. It would be nice to send her a secret birthday card & other cards throughout the year to encourage her.

WinSome Women wswretreats.org

Held at Bay Harbor, MI on **May 4 & 5** and **May 5 & 6**. Theme: "Victory in Jesus"

"Thanks be to God! He gives us victory through Jesus Christ our Lord." 1 Corinthians 15:57

Gathering in Prayer

Moms in Prayer

It has been a rough year for many teachers in our area schools as they find themselves having to deal with students who are not just disruptive to the classroom but also becoming violent and lashing out, sometimes injuring their teachers. This is a problem all the way down to the very youngest of students in schools. Not only do the teachers find this a difficult environment but the other students suffer as well, with classmates having difficulties controlling their emotions. With the final three months of school remaining, my focus is shifting not just to our children in schools but to the teachers and staff who deal with this issue and have become drained by the circumstances. If you are a parent with a child in school, please take time to pray for your children's teachers and ask God to give them the perseverance they need to finish the school year with power and confidence.

I will be adding some new resources to the prayer table in the entryway for moms and others interested in praying at home for their children, our schools, and our homeschoolers.

The remaining dates for Moms in Prayer meeting at **8:30am** at Grace Church are:

Monday, March 6th

Monday, April 10th

Monday, May 8th



Anyone interested in praying is welcome to join me; you need not have a child in school or even have a particular school in mind that you wish to pray for, or have knowledge about the area schools. For information, contact Donna Cline drfcline13@ymail.com or 906-221-7111 (feel free to text).

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Our Ministry started 8 years ago as a vehicle to bring the men in our church together with a focus on Prayer and Leadership among them, especially within the Church, their families and community, by building each other up to the task through sharing, scriptures, fellowship and prayer.

Our motto is... Proverbs 27:17 *As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.*



We meet the **last Saturday of each month**, unless notified per the church bulletin, from **8-9:30am**... sharing a light breakfast and coffee. We start with a Devotion or Bible verse to discuss and then pray for Church, Family and Community needs...which we follow in our prayer book until the next meeting. Since its inception, members have become involved in other ministries such as Elders, Deacons and Leadership.

In 2023 we will have a summer luncheon meeting with a speaker, and a fall Wild Game Feed where sons and young men from our church family will be invited to share with us...

Spring meetings: **March 25, April 29, and May 20**

Looking for growth and perseverance in 2023. Through God's blessings, Tom Gursky, (906) 396-9728

National Day of Prayer

On **Thursday, May 4 at 4:00pm**, we will meet at church to walk up to the corner of M95/M69. This is a unique opportunity to gather and pray for the seven centers of influence in our nation: Government (Federal, State, & Local), Military, Media, Business, Education, Church, and Family. Please join us!

+ **Prayer Circle**

Every **Saturday at 10:30am** you are encouraged to come to the sanctuary at Grace to pray. We lift up our church, pastor & leaders, ministries, as well as personal issues on our hearts. It's a blessing!

Fellowship & Comradery

Coffee Fellowship

I feel truly blessed that Debbie asked me to come alongside her and help with this ministry. As a fairly new member of this church community I was both grateful and flattered to be asked to fill a niche in the church. It has been a wonderful way to get to know more of the people that make up this great little church!

The coffee fellowship would not be possible without the support of our congregation. It may seem a little overwhelming to volunteer for this, but I recommend asking a couple of friends or maybe someone you want to get to know better and sign up!

Thank you to all who have participated in the fellowship! Debbie and I will be planning the Easter Brunch. Keep an eye out for details later!
-Amy Jackson

Community Meal

I was very happy to step in with Sarah Adams in January and help take care of the Chili Cook-off! Although not as well attended as we had hoped, it was still a really great time and a learning experience on how much goes into planning a community meal.

That being said, I have decided to take on the **March 22nd** community meal. Pasty casserole is the main dish! If you all liked the pasties that were made for the sale a couple weeks ago, then you won't want to miss this! Jean Panek is preparing the entree', and I will have the sign up board ready to round out the menu.

I encourage you to sign up and grab your neighbors and come out for a wonderful time of food and fellowship.

Thank you to all who volunteer! -Amy Jackson

Life Groups

Life groups are a wonderful support and time of Christian fellowship. If you would like to know more about life groups, please contact Paul Jacobs.

Christian Comradery returns

For the months of **April, May and June** join us on the **third Thursday of each month at 5:30pm** at R Cabins located north of Channing on M95. Music, prayer, discussion and comradery.

Each month has a theme:

April is death and resurrection. What does it mean to you?

May is new birth young Christian.

June is growing in Christian faith.

Look forward to seeing you,

Robin and Don

906-543-6995 Rcabinsm95@gmail.com

Dawn McDonald
our Chili Champion



An abundance of great food at the Chili Cook-off

Let everything that has breath,
praise the LORD.

Psalms 150:6



God is

faithful

in Every Season



Women's Break-Away

Join us for a day of retreat and renewal at
The Four Seasons Island Resort in Pembine, WI.

Saturday, March 25

9:00am - 4:00pm

*\$*40 (includes lunch)

Our Speaker: Pat Filyes

Women's & Children's Ministry, Biblical Counselor,
Conference Speaker from Green Bay

Plus music, gifts, fun activities, quiet or free time, and a time to be...
Pampered!

The Four Seasons Island Resort N16800 Shoreline Dr., Pembine, WI 54156

See Penny Bowser or Emily Flunker for more information

Your faithfulness endures to all generations. Psalm 119:90a

A Taste of Grace

Pasty-making
FUN!

Many of us have enjoyed the wonderful pasties by Jean Panek the last couple years served at a few of our events, and most recently as a fundraiser for the Women's Break-Away retreat. A new record was achieved as the group made and sold **365 pasties!** Here you'll find Jean's recipe, and pictures of the crews that helped her over three days. (Thankfully the ingredient list is pared down from 365 pasties to 40-45.) 😊



Pasties

Crust:

Work together { 5# flour
3 T Kosher salt } Mix together
1# butter
1# lard
4 c water

Filling:

2# pasty meat (coarse ground
beef/ pork)
Mix 1 T + 1 tsp salt &
2 tsp pepper into meat
3½# potatoes - diced small
½#-¾# onions

Bake at 400° for 1 hour. Makes 40-45.



Working Together



Helping Hands

We begin a new chapter in the Helping Hands ministry at Grace Church as we look to pick up on some projects that have been done piecemeal in the past - the most common being the cutting and stacking of firewood - and start again with new ideas for meeting the needs of those who are stretched thin during the winter heating months, as well as some thoughts on starting new projects.

Some input is needed to consider what can be done to help others in our church family, as well as others in our communities, that require assistance in physical labor to complete a project. If you or someone you know will be needing assistance come warmer weather (thinking May, June, July and August), please contact Mike Cline in person or at majcrna2613@yahoo.com or Donna Cline at drfcline13@ymail.com to discuss what can be done to help. Also, if you are interested in being added to the Helping Hands ministry list and contacted when projects arise, please email Donna with your name and email as she will coordinate the list.

We are looking to involve our youth in projects, as well, and hope to make this summer a time when much can be done to help our family, friends, and neighbors in need.

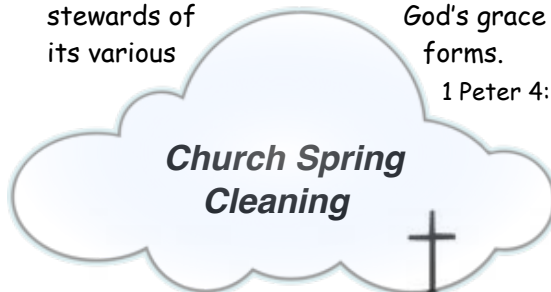
To Meet Budget	General Fund (Weekly)	Building Fund (Weekly)	Attendance is in person & on Zoom.
Needed:	\$3,329.00	\$233.00	

Dec 2022	General Fund	Building Fund	Attendance
4	2,724.00	225.00	138
11	3,840.00	0.00	157
18	3,926.00	100.00	125
24	canceled	with Zoom	70
25	canceled 980.00	no Zoom 85.00	7
TOTALS	\$11,470.00	\$410.00	Average: 124

Jan 2023	General Fund	Building Fund	Attendance
1	5,141.00	0.00	110
8	2,724.00	200.00	142
15	3,070.00	100.00	134
22	4,765.00	100.00	152
29	2,844.00	85.00	162
TOTALS	\$18,544.00	\$485.00	Average: 140

Feb 2023	General Fund	Building Fund	Attendance
5	6,928.00	200.00	120
12	2,196.00	0.00	125
19	2,286.00	100.00	123
26	2,518.00	125.00	124
TOTALS	\$13,928.00	\$425.00	Average: 123

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.
1 Peter 4:10



Roll up your sleeves and use that elbow grease to help spruce up our church for Spring! Contact Patty Carpenter or Lois Daleen for info.

**Saturday
April 22
9am-12**







Thrivent Choice Dollars

Each year, by March 31, Thrivent Financial members are able to designate Thrivent's charitable outreach donations to a non-profit, including Grace Church. In 2022 our church received **\$278.00** through this program. Any member of Thrivent can take advantage of this unique and helpful offer.

March 2023

*To everything there is a season,
a time for every purpose under heaven.. Ecc. 3:1*

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Photo by Micah Flunker			1 Chicks Walk 7am Bible Study 8am Happy Crafters 10am-4pm Bible Journal 1pm Youth Group 5:30-7pm	2 Grace Quilting Ladies 9:30-2:30 at Judy Paul's home 7pm Dickinson Area Ultreya at American Martyrs	3	4 Prayer Circle 10:30
5 Worship 9:30am	6 Moms in Prayer 8:30am at Church 6pm Leadership Team & Deacon Planning meeting	7	8 Chicks Walk 7am Bible Study 8am Youth Group 5:30-7pm Counsel Class 6pm (unless noted otherwise)	9 Grace Quilting Ladies 9:30-2:30 at Judy Paul's home	10 H. Hearts Soup- Making 9am-12	11 Prayer Circle 10:30 <i>Set Clocks Tonight: Spring Forward</i> 
12 <i>DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS</i> Worship 9:30am	13 	14 Nat./International Missions Comm. 6pm at Church	15 Chicks Walk 7am Bible Study 8am Pizza Forms DUE Youth Group 5:30-7pm Counsel Class 6pm (unless noted otherwise)	16 Quilting 9:30-2:30 Judy Paul's home Faith & Friendship 1pm at Cheryl Johnson's home	17 <i>ST. PATRICK'S DAY</i> 	18 Prayer Circle 10:30 H. Hearts Visit to ICMCF 1-2pm, Car- pool at 12:30pm
19 Choir Practice 8:30 Worship 9:30am	20 <i>1st DAY of SPRING</i> Food Ministry Delivery	21	22 Chicks Walk 7am Bible Study 8am Comm. Meal 5:30 Youth Group: Com. Meal Clean-up Counsel Class 6pm (unless noted otherwise)	23 Grace Quilting Ladies 9:30-2:30 at Judy Paul's home	24 Youth Grp. Lock-In Doors Open at 7pm	25 Lock-In Pickup 7am 8-9:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast Women's Break- Away 9am-4pm at Four Seasons
26 Worship 9:30am Confirmation Class follows	27	28	29 Chicks Walk 7am Bible Study 8am Youth Group 5:30-7pm Counsel Class 6pm (unless noted otherwise)	30	31	

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*Christ Jesus who died - more than that, who was raised to life -
is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.*

Romans 8:34

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						
2 PALM SUNDAY  Worship 9:30am	3 6pm Session & Leadership Team	4	5 Chicks Walk 7am (No Bible Study) Happy Crafters 10am-4pm Bible Journal 1pm (No Youth Group) (No Counsel Class)	6 MAUNDYTH.  Grace Quilting Ladies 9:30-2:30 at Judy Paul's home Maundy Thursday Seder Meal 6pm	7 GOOD FRIDAY 	1 Prayer Circle 10:30 H. Hearts Luncheon Meeting at Holiday Kitchen 11:30-1pm 8 Egg Coloring & Egg Hunt 10am Prayer Circle 10:30
9 EASTER  <i>He is risen!</i> <i>Alleluia!</i> Worship 9:30am Easter Brunch to follow	10 Moms in Prayer 8:30am at Church	11 Nat./International Missions Comm. 6pm at Church	12 Chicks Walk 7am Bible Study 8am Youth Group 5:30-7pm Counsel Class 6pm (unless noted otherwise)	13 Grace Quilting Ladies 9:30-2:30 at Judy Paul's home	14	15 H. Hearts Soup- Making 9am-12 Prayer Circle 10:30
16 Worship 9:30am	17 Food Ministry Delivery	18	19 Chicks Walk 7am Bible Study 8am Youth Group 5:30-7pm Counsel Class 6pm (unless noted otherwise)	20 Grace Quilting Ladies 9:30-2:30 at Judy Paul's home R Cabins - Christian Comradery 5:30pm	21	22 Church Spring Cleaning 9am-12
23 Worship 9:30am	24	25	26 Chicks Walk 7am Bible Study 8am Youth Group 5:30-7pm Counsel Class 6pm (unless noted otherwise)	27 Grace Quilting Ladies 9:30-2:30 at Judy Paul's home	28	29 8-9:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast Prayer Circle 10:30 Mother, Daughter, Sister, Friend Tea 2pm
30 Choir 8:30am Worship 9:30am Confirmation Class follows						

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I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone - for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. 2 Timothy 2:1-2

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	1 6pm Session & Leadership Team	2	3 Chicks Walk 7am Bible Study 8am Happy Crafters 10am-4pm Bible Journal 1pm Youth Group 5:30-7pm Counsel Class 6pm	4 NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER - 4pm at Church to M95 Quilting 9:30-2:30 Judy Paul's home 7pm Dickinson Ultreya at Am. M.	5	6 Prayer Circle 10:30 Chicks Health Presentation (TBA)
7 Worship 9:30am New Secret Sisters	8 Moms in Prayer 8:30am at Church	9 Nat./International Missions Comm. 6pm at Church	10 Chick's Walk 7am Bible Study 8am Youth Group 5:30-7pm Counsel Class 6pm (unless noted otherwise)	11 Grace Quilting Ladies 9:30-2:30 at Judy Paul's home	12	13 H. Hearts Flower Event 10am-1pm Prayer Circle 10:30
14 MOTHER'S DAY Worship 9:30am Brunch to follow 	15	16	17 Chick's Walk 7am Bible Study 8am (NO Youth Group) Counsel Class 6pm (unless noted otherwise)	18 Quilting 9:30-2:30 Judy Paul's home Faith & Friendship 1pm at Jorga Stewart's home R Cabins - Christian Comradery 5:30pm	19 Rummage Sale 8am-4pm	20 Rummage Sale 8am-12pm 8-9:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast (Location TBA) Prayer Circle 10:30
21 Worship 9:30am	22 Food Ministry Delivery	23	24 Chick's Walk 7am Bible Study 8am Comm. Meal 5:30 Youth Group 5:30-7pm Counsel Class 6pm (unless noted otherwise)	25 Grace Quilting Ladies 9:30-2:30 at Judy Paul's home	26	27 Prayer Circle 10:30
28 Choir Practice 8:30 Worship 9:30am Confirmation Class follows	29 MEMORIAL DAY 	30	31 Chick's Walk 7am Bible Study 8am Youth Group 5:30-7pm at Dawson Lake Counsel Class 6pm (unless noted otherwise)			



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