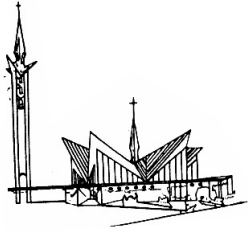


## GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS)



**September 15, 2024**

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### Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

**Sermon Notes:**

*Grace Lutheran Church*

**75<sup>th</sup>**

*Anniversary  
Celebration*

*October 12 & 13, 2024*

**BIBLE STUDY IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL...**Join us for Bible study: *a Study on Exodus*.

Lutheran Church, 15424 Lake Michigan Dr, West Olive, MI 49460.

**OF CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS...**Today during the Divine Service. Names & offices/positions that candidates have been elected to:

- President – Jeff DeYoung
- Chief Financial Officer – Chuk Gottschall
- Secretary – Amy Woods
- Council Member at Large – Kathy Helak
- Council Member at Large – Karen Gorman
- Endowment Committee – Nicolas Dykstra
- Endowment Committee – Melissa Eastland
- Endowment Committee – Thomas Vodry

**NEW PROCESSIONAL CROSS...**We are excited about our new processional crucifix cross made by Edward Riojas! We will bless the cross next Sunday (the 22nd) at the beginning of the Divine Service. Today, it will be located next to the Showcase to be observed.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY...**Meets Tuesdays at 9:15 a.m. for the study of *Luke, Good News of Great Joy*. Born in a lowly manger, Jesus might not have been the messiah people expected, but He was the Messiah they needed. See Barb Quist for a study book. We look forward to seeing you this Tuesday!

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY...**Will meet with others from Hope, Epiphany & Christ Evangelical as well as their pastors and will rotate as to location. The next men's Bible study will be here at Grace this coming Saturday, September 21 from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.

**PORTALS OF PRAYER, Oct–Dec '24...**The *Portals of Prayer* for October thru December 2024 are available on the devotional table (to the right of the mailboxes). Please help yourself.

Please contact Pastor with any questions.

and receive a Faith Alive Student Bible ESV.

**A REMINDER...**The “Help Support the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary...” envelope does not reserve your ticket for the event. This envelope is strictly for donation purposes only. Thank you for your understanding.

**QUILTERS WORKSHOP...**The next work session is planned for this Wednesday, September 18. We welcome any and all help of those who can tie knots, layer and/or design Quilts. It's a great way to get to know your fellow Grace members while working on a worthy mission.

**LUTHERAN CHURCH EXTENSION FUND...**If you are looking for a place to keep your money safe and you are a member of the LCMS, check out the LCEF information and rates on the bulletin board just outside the church office. Feel free to contact Tyler Fewins with any questions or further assistance. [Tyler.Fewins@lcef.org](mailto:Tyler.Fewins@lcef.org).

**GLC 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY...**The ornaments that the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee purchased to sell to raise money for the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration events in October are still available and can be purchased thru the church office. The cost is \$7 each. We accept cash or check.

**HANDBELL & CHOIR SEASON...**A warm welcome to all our past members and any new members to join us for the new Handbell and Choir season. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings in the Sanctuary. Handbells at 5:45 and Choir at 6:30. ALL ARE WELCOME. Looking forward to praising God through ringing and singing!

**SAVE THE DATE - FALL SYMPOSIUM...**Our Savior Lutheran School Grand Rapids is honored to be the location for the Consortium for Classical Lutheran Education's Fall Symposium on Saturday, October 19. Come learn more about this growing movement in Christian education from a variety of Lutheran speakers including Mollie Hemingway, Katie Schuermann, and Dr. Geoffrey Boyle. Registration/sign-up information to follow.

**NEW FACEBOOK PAGE...**It is up and running for Grace Lutheran Church, Wyoming, MI! Please find, like, and share!

**JUST A HEADS-UP FOR TRUNK OR TREAT...**We will begin collecting Halloween candy for the Grace Lutheran Trunk or Treat in the weeks to come. A bin will be placed outside the Sanctuary. Trunk or Treat will be on Saturday, October 26, time is TBD. More information will follow.

**CALLING ALL KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS...**The Yarn Bender ministry is making winter hats for Wyoming Public Schools and we would love to have you join us in this endeavor. All colors and sizes are needed for children from Pre-K right through high school. We'll be working on this until mid-October when they will be delivered. Finished hats can be given to Diane Long or Kathy Helak.

**SCRIP/RAISERIGHT...**If you would like to order Scrip you can find order slips as well as a list of all of the RaiseRight retailers on the showcase. Please be sure to turn in payment at the time you place your order. Make checks payable to Grace Beginnings Preschool. Orders are due on the first Monday of each month (next due is October 7) with delivery likely on Wednesday or Thursday of that week.

**DOXOLOGY...**Now that Pastor Marklevitz is a Doxology graduate, we are invited to attend future conferences! There is an annual conference called "Doxology: Encore," in which lay members are invited to attend. This is a unique opportunity to travel, getaway, and receive professional insight into church ministry and its impact. The next Encore Conference will be in Middleton, WI, from May 30 to June 1, 2025. Please contact Pastor Marklevitz, Tom Hoffman, or Jeff DeYoung with any interest or questions.

### **ADDRESS CORRECTIONS...**

- Richard & Jan Kutschinski: 1156 Angels Trace Drive SW, Wyoming, MI 49509
- Sarah Summers: 147 Union Avenue NE, Apartment 4, Grand Rapids, MI 49503

**TO MY CHURCH FAMILY...**Thank you to Pastor and everyone who had a hand in assisting with preparations for my husband's funeral, and the luncheon that followed. Thank you also for everyone's expressions of sympathy, love, support, and most importantly your prayers. You have truly touched my heart and I am beyond blessed to have such a wonderful church family. May God continue to bless each of you as you have blessed me and my family.

In Christ's love, Cindy Johnston

**GRACE LUTHERAN CONGREGATION...**We so appreciate the support from you in regards to the items & very generous check. We will utilize these items to help serve & meet the needs of the families we serve. We are so very thankful to have your partnership and support to help local youth in foster care.

Wellspring Leadership Team



**WinGS will have Apple Pies available beginning on September 23...**



Impress your friends by baking a home-made apple pie! If anyone would like to purchase a frozen pie, please see Carol Klein or Diane Long. The price is \$13 per pie. If you would like to order some for the future, fill out an order form (available on the showcase) and give it to us, or put it into our mailbox. Freshly made (unfrozen) pies are available for pick-up on Monday mornings Sep 23, Oct 14, Oct 21 and possibly Oct 28.

A great way to get to know your fellow Grace members is to join us Sunday, Sep 22 from 6:30-8:00 pm when we make dough, mix sugar, peel/core/slice apples, etc. Or, Monday the 23rd when we prepare the rest of the apples and make the pies. No better way to get to know one another than working together!

God Bless all our workers, buyers and sellers

Women in God's Service

## GRACE LIFE COMMITTEE

† “I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.” John 10:10 †

**Lutherans For Life of Michigan is pleased to announce a double event!** Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz, Executive Director of The Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty (lcrfrees.org), will present *Speaking the Truth in Love on Life Issues During Elections* on Saturday, October 5 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at St. Luke Lutheran Church, 21400 S. Nunneley Rd., Clinton Twp., MI 48035. The event is free. Lunch will be provided. Please contact Lauren Schaidt at schaidtl@gmail.com or 586-214-3116.

**Rev. Dr. Seltz** will also present *Life Issues Today and in the Upcoming Election* on Sunday, October 6 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at St. Mark Lutheran Church, 1934 52<sup>nd</sup> ST SE, Kentwood, MI 49508. The event is free. Refreshments will be provided before, during a break, and after the presentation. Please register by September 23 to Earl Iseler at iselerea@comcast.net or text or call 616-485-9589.

**“A Childless World: Utopia or Disaster?”** will be presented by Pastor Michael Salemink, Executive Director of Lutherans For Life, at Hope Lutheran Church, 1180 W Herbison Rd, Dewitt, MI 48820 on Saturday, October 19. Registration will be from 8:00 to 8:30 a.m. There will be a Matins service at 8:30 a.m. The presentation will be from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and will include lunch. Preregistration is required by email to revsikora@gmail.com or by calling the church at 517-669-3930 and leaving a message. Registration fees of \$25 for adults and \$15 for students will be collected upon arrival.



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**WML CHOIR DIRECTOR/TEACHER NEEDED...**This position is for one day a week on Wednesdays. If you or someone you know would be interested in the position of choir director/teacher at West Michigan Lutheran High School, please email Principal Angers at kangers@wmlhs.org or call the school office at 616.455.2200.

**ENROLL TODAY!...**Looking for an affordable and exemplary Christ-centered education? Then check out West Michigan Lutheran High School. Contact the WML office at 616-455-2200 or email office@wmlhs.org to get the simple and easy enrollment paperwork.

**WEST MICHIGAN LUTHERAN AMAZON WISH LIST...**Want an easy way to support WML? Check out our Amazon Wish List using the following link: <https://a.co/2PhGqKG>. This is a list of needed school supplies. You can order any item and it will be sent directly to the school.



**IN OUR PRAYERS...**

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE WITH HEALTH CONCERNS & OTHER NEEDS:**

Anna Barber; Debra Barber; Timothy (Tim) Barnes; Rev. Ryan Beffrey; Mae Conkright; Jeanne DeMeester; Jeffrey (Jeff) DeYoung; Janet Dykstra; Michael (Mike) Dykstra; Willis (Jack) Edwards; Marilyn Franks; Ronald (Ron) Hansen; Barbara (Barb) Hoffman; Theresa Holzhausen; Cindy Johnston; Iris Kamradt; Vicki Kik; Lois Klooster; Elfriede (Elfie) Koehler; Janet (Jan) Kutschinski; Terry Larson; Norman (Norm) Long; Sandra (Sandy) Melville; Allen (Al) Miiller; Margaret (Marge) Morgan; Carol Pellerito; James (Jim) Pellerito; Jennifer (Jenny) Peterman; Mark Schrader; Albert (Al) TePastte; Joseph (Joe) Theuerkauf; Sharon Theuerkauf; Randal (Randy) Wynsma.

**PRAYERS FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN NEED:**

Amber (Key); Anacaletto Ayala (Gorman); Alice Barnes (Barnes); Dawsyn Bates (Schrader); David & Jane Boedecker (Marklevitz); Douglas Christensen (Christensen); Vicky Drougl (Barnes); Margaret Eastland (Keith's mother); Phil Edgerton (Cutler); Maizey Rue Danielle Ennis (Neitzel); Izabella Ferguson (Schrader); The Gerdes family; Nicole Girth (Gorman); Brian Hague (Larson); Bruce & Ruth Harder (Kik); Jim Hoard (Larson); Liz Hoffman (Hoffman); John Hume (Quist); Donald Karel (DeYoung); Jakaila Key (Key); Bridget Kimmel (Gorman); Brian & Dawn Klein (Larson); Laura Kooienga (Zwar); Cathy Kutschinski; Tom Murrphy (Larson); Richard Ohse (former member); The Pattok family (Hoffman); Dalton Palmer (Kutschinski); Violet Redner (Marklevitz); Warren Rentz (father of Brian Rentz); Carissa Richmond (Pellerito); Bonnie Seher (Kamradt); Aaron Spratling (Hoffman); Katie Stevenson (Schrader); Ty Tanis (Kutschinski); Donna TePastte (TePastte); Vicky Thompson (Hoffman); John Trygier (Peterman); Maggie and Josiah Whitley (Helak).

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY & THEIR FAMILIES:**

Robert Barber (Barber); Klorissa Brown, Katie Collins & Nick Payne (Gorman); Skylar Eriks (Kamradt); Christopher Ferguson & Alex Gaunt (Schrader); Blake Hoffman & Austin Spratling (Hoffman); Jackson Miller (Miller).

**PRAYERS FOR OUR GRACE SUPPORTED MISSIONARIES:**

Nora Leon; Rev. Steven & Martha Mahlburg.

**PRAYERS FOR OUR GRACE SUPPORTED SEMINARIANS:**

Nathan Bublitz; Noah Dunsmore.

**WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO WILL BE CELEBRATING** birthdays and anniversaries this coming week that their celebrations would lead to rejoicing in God's goodness once again this year and to give Him thanksgiving for all His blessings.


**Happy Birthday this week To:**

Monday, September 16 - Evelyn Ann Marklevitz

**No Anniversary this week**

**TOGETHER AS A CHURCH FAMILY IN WORD AND STEWARDSHIP**  
Sunday, September 8, 2024 9:00 a.m. Worship Attendance: 97 Communion: 75  
Sunday, September 8, 2024 Offering & Joyful Response: \$4,127.00

## Those serving this week and next at Grace:

	<b>Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	<b>Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>
	9/15/2024 9:00 a.m.	9/22/2024 9:00 a.m.
<b>Communion Assistants:</b>	Tom Hoffman	Keith Eastland
<b>Deaconess/Deacon:</b>	Dave Helak	Norm Long
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Barb Edwards Linda Franks	Janet Dykstra Martha Gottschall
<b>Acolytes:</b>	John Gottschall James Gottschall	Hailey Morse Elizabeth Reynolds
<b>Sound:</b>	Doug Klein	Gray Ferguson
<b>Fellowship:</b>	Gottschall	Gorman

Sanctuary Choir and Handbell Ensemble Director: Diane Long

Organist: Charles Gottschall

Finance Team September: Cindy Johnston & ANY other available count team members.

Altar Flowers: In thanksgiving to God for His many blessings.

## THE SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK AT GRACE

### Sunday, September 15, 2024 (Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost)

Divine Service . . . . . 9:00 a.m.  
*Installation of Congregational Officers*  
 Fellowship following Worship . . . . .  
 Bible Study/Sunday School . . . . . 10:45 a.m.  
 Subcommittee for WMLHS Relocation . . . . . 12:00 p.m.

### Monday, September 16, 2024

### Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Women's Bible Study . . . . . 9:15 a.m.

### Wednesday, September 18, 2024

Quilters Workshop . . . . . 9:00-11:30 a.m.  
 Handbell Ensemble . . . . . 5:45 p.m.  
 Sanctuary Choir . . . . . 6:30 p.m.

### Thursday, September 19, 2024

Pastoral Care . . . . . 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.  
 Budget Meeting . . . . . 6:30 p.m.

### Friday, September 20, 2024

### Saturday, September 21, 2024 (St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist)

Men's Bible Study at Grace . . . . . (9:30-11:00 a.m.)

### Sunday, September 22, 2024 (Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost)

Divine Service . . . . . 9:00 a.m.  
*Blessing of the Processional Cross*  
 Fellowship following Worship . . . . .  
 Bible Study/Sunday School . . . . . 10:45 a.m.