



Good News of Grace

Grace Lutheran Church

Green Bay, Wisconsin
May 24, 2017

*We celebrate Christ,
teach Christ,
witness to Christ,
and care for others
as though they are Christ.*



East Central Synod of Wisconsin
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

Besides our synod's budget, the members of our synod's assembly passed the following resolutions at our Synod Assembly in Green Bay on May 19 and 20.

Resolution #3

Because there are 48 million Americans including 1 in 5 children living in food insecure households and 836 million people (1 in 8) worldwide experience extreme poverty ... the East Central Synod of Wisconsin will encourage our synod members

- to support **ELCA World Hunger** initiatives like **Global Barnyard**, through opportunities found in the **ELCA Good Gifts Catalog, Act 2 Day 4 Tomorrow**, and many others found at elca.org/hunger.
- to sign up for the **ELCA e-Advocacy Network** ... joining thousands of ELCA members ... to educate, advocate, lead, donate, and serve. elca.org/Our-Work/Publicly-Engaged-Church/Advocacy.

Resolution #4

The ECSW directs the Office of Bishop in consultation with the Synod Council to coordinate with the Synod Global Mission World Hunger Action Team to share information from the **Wisconsin Council of Churches** and other participants in the "Faith Citizenship" Campaign with each congregation of our synod ... including the power point presentation titled "Faithful Citizenship Child Poverty Initiative" group.

This assembly also encourages

- conferences and the synod to provide opportunities for dialogue and continued learning about childhood poverty and hunger in Wisconsin,
- synod leadership, pastors, conference leaders, and congregational leaders to encourage individuals in congregations from across our synod to endorse the goal by going to tinyurl.com/cutchildpoverty to sign the Faithful Citizenship Child Poverty Initiative goal statement.

Resolution #5

The ECSW in assembly:

- encourages all congregations and families to welcome refugees into their churches

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and homes and help them to integrate into their new communities,

- supports past and present work of the US Government departments working with refugees seeking legal entrance into the US as the government departments are carefully vetting and screening refugees,
- supports future vetting and screening processes of the US government that do not discriminate against refugees based on their nationality, ethnicity, gender, or religion,
- encourages all congregations to pray for all those who have been affected by war including refugees fleeing Syria, Somalia, and Afghanistan and other war torn or drought ravaged countries,
- asks that the Office of Bishop in consultation with the Synod Council of the ECSW provide information to pastors and congregations of our synod about refugees and answers to questions concerning refugees through reliable sources including **LIRS (Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services), Wisconsin Council of Churches, ... Lutheran Social Services, etc.,**
- encourages congregations to work through **LIRS** or other Lutheran organizations to advocate that the US government seek ways to end conflicts in unstable countries and to reduce conflict and violence that are significant reasons for refugees fleeing from their countries of origin,
- encourages congregations to hold a Refugee Sunday ... including information materials ... from the **UN Summit on Refugees** and the annual **LIRS** Refugee Sunday ... on or around June 20,
- and asks that the Office of Bishop in consultation with the Synod Council appoint/create a refugee resettlement ... committee to explore the possibility of forming an ecumenical refugee resettlement center in the Western and Northern conferences of our synod to compliment the work already being done in the Fox Valley.

Resolution #6

The ECSW will

- encourage all congregations and members to support campus ministry with prayer, offerings ... and its requests for help,
- encourage our synod congregations and its

members to inform **The Gathering Place (University of Oshkosh Lutheran Campus Ministry)** of their young adults living in the area, attending UWO or Fox Valley Technical College,

- support the ministry by assisting with facility maintenance on scheduled workdays each spring and fall with congregational support,
- support The Gathering Place with gifts as they are able to repair the roof of the facility this year.

More reports from our Synod Assembly will appear in the next newsletter.

Pastor Larry



Each month there will be the listing of all the programs scheduled for Young at Heart Luncheons. Mark the 2nd Friday of each month on your calendar for Young at Heart. We meet at Noon in the North Basement for food, fun, & fellowship. The cost of the meal is \$8.00.

Here is the schedule for 2017:

JUNE 9	Melanie Skalmoski, Green Bay Police Dept./ Identity Theft
JULY 14	“Hands on Deck”, Mark Hawkins/Woodworking
AUGUST 11	Father Eric & Sue Mills/ Walking Camino Trail in Spain
SEPTEMBER 8	Casa Alba, Sister Melanie
OCTOBER 13	NEW Community Clinic/ Dr. Paul Kollath & Bonnie Kuhr
NOVEMBER 10	To Be Announced
DECEMBER 8	Don Crane/Christmas Music

Hope to see you at many of the interesting programs scheduled.

Bev Larsen, Health Ministries Coordinator



From Bev Larsen, Health Ministries
Coordinator



As I mentioned in last month's health article, this month Non Hodgkin Lymphoma will be discussed. Non Hodgkin Lymphoma is the 5th most common cause of cancer.

Researchers found that life style can contribute to the formation of Non Hodgkin Lymphoma. People who are obese will have a 32% more mortality rate than those who are not obese. People who have smoked for a long period of time have a 76% chance of dying than a non smoker. The risk from smoking is greater if that person has smoked longer than 20 years and smoked a lot of cigarettes. Alcohol is another contributing factor. If a person drinks more than either 3 cans of beer, 5 glasses of wine, or 3 shots of liquor each week has a 55% greater chance of developing Non Hodgkin Lymphoma.

The most common sign of Non Hodgkin Lymphoma is swelling of 1 or more lymph nodes in the groin, neck, or armpit. Some of the usual symptoms are unexplained fevers, night sweats, fatigue, loss of appetite thus causing loss of weight, cough, chest or abdominal pain, and enlarged spleen or liver.

This cancer is diagnosed by having the enlarged node biopsied. After the diagnosis is made, the oncologist examines where the disease is and how severe it may be. The oncologist will do a physical exam. Blood tests will be ordered to determine liver and kidney functions, blood protein levels, platelet count, and if anemia is present. Imaging tests may include chest x-ray, MRI, or CT scan. A bone marrow biopsy may also be done to make sure the disease has not spread. The bone marrow biopsy will also help to determine the type of treatment such as a combination of radiation and chemotherapy.

Treatment for Non Hodgkin Lymphoma includes chemo and drug therapy, radiation which is usually combined with chemotherapy, or a stem cell transplant. The survival rate is about 67% after 5 years and 55% after 10

years. The treatment will be different if diagnosed with aggressive Non Hodgkin Lymphoma or indolent which means slow growing. Aggressive Non Hodgkin Lymphoma is usually treated with 4 or more chemotherapy drugs. It has been found that this type of treatment works well. Radiation may be included when large masses are found during diagnosis. Indolent or slow growing Non Hodgkin Lymphoma treatment consists of radiation, watchful waiting where tests are done frequently to check the stage of the disease. Chemotherapy may also be used if radiation is not possible.



We ask that you lift up in prayer the following people:

- Dr. Art & LaVerne Haines
- Julie Miller
- Toni Lawson (eye surgery)
- Esther Wach

If you would like to include the names of people for publication in the church newsletter prayer list please note the following:

- ◆ members of Grace may call the church office and request that first and last names of individuals be placed on the list.
- ◆ Names must be **called** into the church office (no email).
- ◆ The caller will be asked to confirm that the name being placed on the prayer list was done so with that person's permission. Please do not submit names for publication without first receiving permission from the person for whom you are requesting prayers.
- ◆ The prayer list is open to anyone for whom you have a prayer concern whether they are members of Grace or not.
- ◆ Please note there will be no other identifying information published in the prayer list beyond the person's first and last name.

(You may share the reason(s) for the prayer request if you wish but permission is needed for that as well.)

FROM THE PARISH ADMINISTRATOR



Reminder!

to Simply Giving participants

Increasing your pledge does not automatically increase your Simply Giving contribution. Contact Sharon at admin@gracegb.org or 432-0308 for a form to update your Simply Giving.

If you'd like more information on the electronic giving program called Simply Giving, please contact Sharon!

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow!"



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Monday, July 31 ~ Friday, August 4th, 2017 - 1~4 pm

3 year olds through 6th grade (grade completed)

Friends are welcome!

**Morning child care available!
We will serve breakfast! You bring lunch!**

**Family Event!
Thursday, August 3rd**

puppet skits...rockin' music...
hero masks and crafts...tasty treats...
science experiments with Miss Jessi.....
games...
group open and close...videos and drama...
new friends and old friends....
much more!

email Carrie Crane at education@gracegb.org or call the Church Office, 432-0308, for registration forms

Suggested donation:
\$15 per child
Family plan: \$15 first child/\$10 each additional child
Child care: \$10/family/week
Scholarships are available!

General Fund as of April 30, 2017

Budget /Anticipated income	\$	52,564
Actual income	\$	48,447
Actual expenses	\$	37,780
Year-to-date budget	\$	525,640
Year-to-date actual income	\$	528,502
Year-to-date actual expenses	\$	500,824

JUNE 2017

For Room Numbers see "Today at Grace" on the monitor in the Lobby.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 5:30-Worship 6:15-Fair Trade Coffee/Tea/ Chocolate sale	2 9:00-Food Pantry	3
4 8&10:00-Worship 9:00-Fair Trade Coffee/Tea/ Chocolate sale 9:00-Coffee Hour 9:00-Safety Com. 9:15-Adult Ed. 11:00-Youth Board	5	6 10:30-Women's Bible Study 1:00-Food Pantry 6:30-Bd Outreach 6:30-Bd Structures & Grounds	7	8 8:30-Mission Sewing 5:30-Healing Worship Service	9 9:00-Food Pantry 12:00- "Young at Heart" Lunch	10 8:00-Men's Bible Study 10:00-Visitation for Elsie Schroeder 11:00-Funeral for Elsie Schroeder 4:30-NEW Com. Shelter Meal
11 8&10:00-Worship w/New Members & Healing Service 9:00-Greeter Brkfst 9:00-Coffee Hour 9:15-Adult Ed. 11:00-Mission Trip Mtg.	12 10:00-Animal Policy Mtg. 6:00-Personnel Com. Mtg.	13 9:15-Sarah Circle 1:00-Food Pantry 6:00-Bd Education 6:30-Bd Personal Growth	14	15 5:30-Worship	16 9:00-Food Pantry	17 9:00-Worship Band Reh.
18 8&10:00-Worship 9:00-Coffee Hour 9:15-Adult Ed.	19	20 10:30-Women's Bible Study 1:00-Food Pantry 6:30-Stewardship 6:30-Celebration	21	22 5:30-Worship	23 9:00-Food Pantry	24 8:00-Men's Bible Study
25 8:00-Worship 10:00-Worship w/ Lifeguard Band 9:00-Coffee Hour 9:15-Adult Ed. 9:15-Easter Dinner Mtg.	26	27 1:00-Food Pantry 6:30-Council Mtg.	28	29 5:30-Worship	30 9:00-Food Pantry	

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The Board Board



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Next meeting: June 6

- ◆ Personal Care Kit assembly was May 7th.
- ◆ May 13th was the mail carriers' food drive.
- ◆ July 9th will kick-off the Undy 500 – get ready!

Next Meeting: June 13

- ◆ New ideas are being forwarded to revamp the Tables of Eight.
- ◆ The Super Happy Fun Picnic will be held on September 10th.
- ◆ Planning continues for September 30th Women's Retreat.

Next Meeting: June 20

- ◆ The 2017 stewardship drive will be held on the weekends of November 5th, 12th, and 19th, with the theme: *"Where your heart is, there your treasure will be also."*
- ◆ The cards for electronic givers are now available, and people appreciate having them.



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Next meeting: June 13

- ◆ The Board of Education challenges all Board and Council members to initiate Jim Ladoux's vision of being more welcoming.
- ◆ Wednesday Night Live will continue through May 17th and will conclude with a talent show and celebration.
- ◆ Save the date! VBS will be July 31st – August 4th - watch for registration information.

Next meeting: June 4

- ◆ Discussed ideas and feedback from the Jim Ladoux video.
- ◆ Congregational calendar work – Dana and/or Pastor Julie will get confirmation dates.
- ◆ April 30th fellowship event.

Next Meeting: June 6

- ◆ The Board of Outreach reported that they do not want to move the food pantry.
- ◆ Waiting for one more bid on the carport overhang before proceeding with repairs.
- ◆ The Board will research better control of heating in various rooms.
- ◆ A carpet selection for the parlor/dining rooms has been approved. Competitive bids will be secured.



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Congregational Council

Next Meeting: June 20

- ◆ The service times change for the summer beginning with Thursday, May 25th (5:30 p.m.) and Sunday, May 28th (8:00 and 10:00 a.m.).
- ◆ Music Scholarship applications are available in May for interested students.
- ◆ Healing Services: Thursday, June 8th at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday, June 11th at 8:00 and 10:00 a.m..
- ◆ 2nd Annual Organ Recital at Grace and other downtown churches coming in August. Times and locations will be posted at a later date. Denise Zenko and John Kopp to perform.

Next Meeting: May 23

- ◆ Evaluated fiscal year 2018 budget proposals, reviewed feedback from budget forums, and determined the budget proposal for presentation to the congregation. Budget meeting is May 7th.
- ◆ Received an update on the visioning process and plan for the May 20th session with Jim Ladoux.



PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

**Thursday, May 25 & Sunday, May 28 at
8:00 & 10:00 m**

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Events:

Memorial Day Weekend

Readings:

Acts 1:6-14, Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35, 1 Peter
4:12-14, 5:6-11, John 7:1-11

**Thursday, June 1 & Sunday, June 4 at
8:00 & 10:00 am**

Day of Pentecost

Events:

Fair Trade Coffee/Tea/Chocolate Sale
Safety Committee Mtg.

Readings:

Acts 2:1-21, Psalm 104:24-34, 35b, 1
Corinthians 12:3b-13, John 20:19-23

**Thursday, June 8 & Sunday, June 11 at
8:00 & 10:00 am**

The Holy Trinity

Events:

Healing Worship
New Member Sunday
Mission Trip Meeting

Readings:

Genesis 1:1-2:4a, Psalm 8, 2 Corinthians
13:11-13, Matthew 28:16-20

WORSHIP TIMES

Thursday at 5:30 pm and
Sunday at 8:00 & 10:00 am



Our Worship is Broadcast on
Radio 1400AM at 8:00 a.m.

Grace Music Scholarship

*...learning to
share*



Who is the scholarship for?

The Grace Music Scholarship used to be just for organists. Now it's for any member of Grace Lutheran Church of any age who wants **to learn** to play music and **to share** it in the life of our congregation. So now we offer a maximum of four \$320 scholarships each year.

- organ / keyboard
- vocal
- instrumental (non-keyboard)
- beginner (limited to one scholarship per year)

Because there may not be applicants for each of these categories, the Scholarship Committee may choose to award two or more scholarships in the same category.

For an application and all the details ...

Pick up a scholarship information sheet and application in the lobby, church office, buzz room, or parlor desk. Deadline for scholarship applications is August 27.

Questions?

Contact Pastor Larry at
pastorlarry@gracegb.org.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

ECCLESIASTICAL AUDIO RECORDING TECHNICIAN (EART)

We're looking for one more EART to record sermons on the fourth weekend of every month (any service is fine).

Training will be provided (Pastor Larry or Dean will show you what button to push when ☺)

Please contact Pastor Larry if you would like to serve in this way!

In Your Church Library...

***The Applause of Heaven* by Max Lucado**

A review by Amy Vanko

Max Lucado uses the Beatitudes that Jesus taught during His Sermon on the Mount as the outline for ***The Applause of Heaven***.

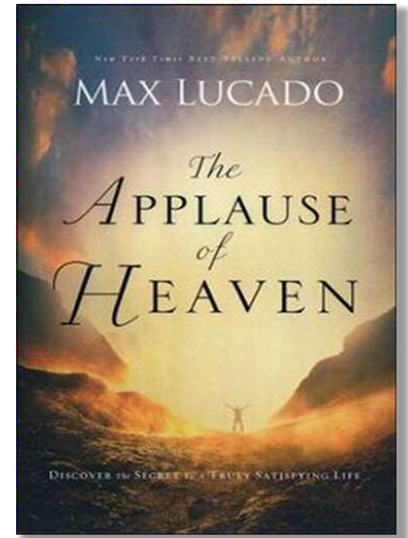
“Blessed are the poor in spirit”, “Blessed are those who mourn”, “Blessed are the meek”. We’ve all heard them at one time or another. But have we really understood them? This book takes the reader on a journey through the Beatitudes, segment by segment, offering examples of how these age-old teachings can relate to life today.

Pictures depicting the Sermon on the Mount generally show Jesus in the midst of a gathering of people listening intently to all He has to say. While reading this book, I liked to imagine myself sitting on that same hillside hearing these words coming from Jesus himself. However, each reader will relate differently to the stories and examples the author offers.*

According to the Merriam-Webster website, the word “beatitude” means “a state of utmost bliss”. How awesome would life be if we lived it in a “state of utmost bliss”? As unrealistic as that may seem to us here on earth, I believe that is exactly what is heaven will be. So, one could say the beatitudes are a glimpse into what awaits us in heaven.

And, ***The Applause of Heaven*** is a good read that awaits you in our church library. Why not find a sunny hillside or comfy chair and check it out.

*The only drawback of the book is how Max Lucado consistently emphasizes how people should make decisions to connect to God, while Lutherans are much clearer in giving credit to God for giving us the power to make such decisions. Pastor Larry



MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

USHERS NEEDED FOR THE 8:00 & 10:00/10:30 SERVICES:

- Ushers serve one worship service a month at the service time they prefer.
- Ushers start serving a half hour before the service and have a few duties after the service.
- An usher orientation will be provided.

Please call the Church Office at 432 0308 to connect with our Head Usher Team.

Thank you!

ALTAR GUILD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR 8:00 OR 10:30 SERVICES:

- The Altar Guild Teams set up and clean up after communion once a month (and sometimes on a 5th Sunday).
- Families are welcome!
- Please contact Pastor Larry or Pastor Julie or call the Church Office if you could help with this ministry.

WORSHIP MINISTERS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, MAY 28, 8:00 & 10:00 AM

Lector & 8:00 – Byron Froelich, L&CA
Com. Assist.: Lisa Herman,
Pam Bins, CA
10:00 - Dick Schmeling, L&CA
Gayle Schmeling,
Kitty Nagel, CA
Ushers: 8:00 - Amy & Matt Vanko,
Ty & Diane Pyan, Julia Nava,
10:00 - Robert Goelz, Jim Poels,
Robin Powell, Joe Terrien,
Alyssa Rettke, Ashley
Muehrcke, Joseph Eaton,
Acolytes: 10:00 - Zoe Quasius,
Skyler Vandenaack
Altar Guild: 8:00 - Linda & Dave Rabe,
Debra LaHaye, April Swim,
Reni Krafft, Hannah Willi
10:00 - Diana Perrault,
Susan Lambert-Tease,
Sharon Lambert-
Rademacher, Kathy Poels,
Gus Terrien
Accompanist: John Kopp
Greeters: 8:00 - Marlene Flom,
Karen Peterson
10:00 - Dick & Gayle Schmeling

THURSDAY JUNE 1, 5:00 PM

Lector & Comm. Assist: Scott Ashmann
Ushers: Bev Larsen, Lori Ashmann
Accompanist: John Kopp

SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 8:00 & 10:00 AM

Lector & 8:00 - Mildred Watermolen, L&CA
Comm. Assist. Pat Zager, CA
10:00 - Josh Moyer, L&CA
Bob Mead,
Kathy Chase, CA
Ushers: 8:00 - Scott & Sharon Papham,
Katie Papham,
John & Cheryl Kollath
10:00 - Dick Destree, Daniel Selissen,
Bob Lotter Jazmin Vandenaack,
Rose Schumacher, Amber Smith
Acolytes: 8:00 - Alivia McNabb
10:00 - Anna Broeckel
Accompanist: John Kopp
Altar Guild: 8:00 – Amy Vanko,
Karen Neumann,
Warren Neumann,

Lisa Herman,
Ryan Davidson
10:00 - Kitty Nagel, Linda Wier
Judy Taylor,
Gayle Schmeling,
Kayla Miller

Greeters: 8:00 - Lisa and Grace Herman
10:00 - Pau & Helen Gubics

THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 5:30 PM

Lector & Comm. Assist: Bev Larsen
Ushers: Dave Branger, Margaret Nelson
Accompanist: Denise Zenko

CONGREGATION NEWS

REV. RALPH MARQUARDT, who was born and raised at Grace, will be at the 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, June 4 ... the 50th Anniversary of his Ordination at Grace! Son of Roland and Lois Marquardt and a Wartburg Seminary graduate, Ralph was ordained at Grace on June 4, 1967. He served congregations in Dundee and Lamont, Iowa, Cornell, Illinois, Dubois, Indiana, Somonauk, Illinois, and Dallas and New Scandinavia, Wisconsin. After retiring, Ralph has continued to serve at nursing homes, funeral homes, and churches in the area surrounding New Auburn, Wisconsin where he now lives. Joining him on June 4th will be his wife Dorothy and their sons and their families including Mike and Janet Marquardt, Scott and Kim Marquardt, and Jon and Lynda Marquardt. Welcome, congratulations, and thanks for your years of faithful service!

WOMEN'S RETREAT:

Save the date! A Women's Retreat, "Water for the Journey," will be held at Grace on **September 30**. More details will follow!



ACCESS TO GRACE

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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www.gracegb.org office@gracegb.org
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Worship Service Times:

Fall & Winter

Saturday at 5:00 p.m. with Holy Communion
Sunday at 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. with Holy Communion

Christian Education each Sunday from 9:15-10:15 a.m. (fall & winter)

Memorial Day Weekend thru Labor Day Weekend

Thursday at 5:30 p.m. with Holy Communion
Sunday at 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. with Holy Communion

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Organist: Denise Zenko

Parish Administrator: Sharon Haapala, admin@gracegb.org

Parish Secretary: Ann Zehms, office@gracegb.org

Maintenance Supervisor: Dean Ahrens, grounds@gracegb.org

New Song Chorus and LifeGuard Band Director: Don Crane

Adult Choir Director: John Kopp

Chancel Bells Director: Pam Anderson

OUR SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE IS BROADCAST EACH WEEK AT 8:00 A.M. ON WDUZ RADIO 1400 AM

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