

**Good Morning and Welcome to Grace!  
Announcements for September 3, 2017**

**In our prayers:** Deb Bradwell (Mother of Jason Bradwell), LaRue Buihner, Leanne Davis, Dorothy Duleepsingh, Shirley Dyson, Maxine Fischer (Janet Habick's Mother), Arnold Johansen, Joanne Johnson, Lucy Krauss, Joseph Mattes, Paula Rissman (Jon Rissman's Mother), Glenda Fontanini (Dana Roby's Mother), Verda Swanson, Dennis Thurston (Ellen Batten's Brother), Ted Tussing, Pattie Woztkiewicz (daughter-in-law of Carl Feilmann), the family of Betty Hirschauer, the family of Betty Farrington (Sister of Bev Anderson), the family of Juanita Garmin (Mother of Linda Rundle), and the others we name before you...

*Praying for one another is an important part of the life of a community of faith. In order to do this it is important that the prayer list be as current as possible. If you or a relative would like to be included in the prayers, please contact the church office. Thank You!*



**Flowers on the altar** glorify God and are given by Janet and Norm Trentmann in memory of their parents.

**Quarters** placed in the offering plate today and every first Sunday of the month are for Hunger.



**Happy Birthday!** Nylya Bartelt, Richard Snyder, Kiley Brandsfield, Nely Ruiz, Denny Rehder, Ethan Meadows, Grace Calhoun, Lois Slye, Joie Gronert, Carrie Schall, Alex Mulvihill

**Happy Anniversary!** Brent and Val Culp, Todd and Elizabeth Prescott, Donald and Gail Peterson, Charles and Tammy Denton, Lon and Denise Friesth, Aaron and Martha Page

**Please Welcome** our newest members, baptized in the past few weeks: Livia Ocken, Cecelia Stammer, Kylie Radermacher, and today we welcome Zoe Elizabeth Volious, We also welcomed Ashley Ocken as a new member!

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**The Office will be closed on Monday in observance of Labor Day. See you Tuesday!**

**September 9 - 10: Make it a weekend and Hang out with Grace!**

**September 9**

Grace Players Presents Superhero Sanitarium

4 p.m. Grace Hall. Join us!

**September 10**

Worship: 9:00 a.m., Sanctuary

God's Work, Our Hands Activities in Grace Hall

- Kit packing: we will be making 150 Care for Camps kits, and 75 Teacher Kits for Moore Elementary and GKC teachers. **See the items needed list on the back page.**
- Neighborhood Cleanup: Small groups will walk the neighborhood to pick up trash before heading back to Grace.

**Picnic:** Bring a dish to share, we'll provide the burgers, brats, music, and games. YES, there will even be live music, provided by Mason's Basement. Pastor Mike's brother is a member of the band - is there a chance Mike will join in? You'll have to be here to find out!

**Grace Kids Care Open House Noon - 2 p.m.** Before you head home you are invited to stop in and say hello, and to check out the classrooms.



**God's Work, Our Hand Kit Supplies Needed!** Q-tips, Aspirin, Band aids, Combs, Expo Dry Erase Markers, Pencils, Hand Sanitizer. Please bring your donations to the Gathering Hall by Wednesday, September 6.

Your Teeshirts have arrived! If you haven't picked them up already, find them on the table in the Gathering Hall.

**Chancel Choir and Grace Bells** will kick-off on Wednesday, September 6, all are invited! Rehearsals take place in Msindo hall (the level below the Sanctuary.)

- Bells: 6:45-7:30pm
- Choir: 7:30-8:30pm

Questions? Contact Emma, [emma@gracedm.org](mailto:emma@gracedm.org)



### Presentation of Bibles

For all students entering Kindergarten, Third Grade, and 6th Grade Sunday, September 17, either service (8:15 or 10:45 a.m.)



### Registration for Sunday School

Friends and visitors are always welcome at Sunday school, but registering children who will attend on a regular basis is helpful to staff and leaders in preparing activities, sharing and communicating upcoming events and information, and in case of emergency. *Look for the registration link on our website under Education Tab, halfway down the page under the Sunday School heading. Or, go to the Facebook page and look for today's post for the handy link.*

**You are invited to learn more about Grace Sunday School Thursday, September 7, 5:30-7:00 pm!**

Sunday School Parents and volunteers are encouraged to come for food, fellowship and to hear more about Spark Sunday School curriculum and how we use it to help form the faith of our youngest Grace members. Thursday, September 7 we will gather In Grace Hall for dinner at 5:30 and then Erik Ullestad from Sparkhouse publishing will share some background on the Spark curriculum and offer some tips and tricks for how it can be used in the church and in the home.

Childcare will be provided, just let Minister for Youth and Family Ellen Rothweiler ([ellen@gracedm.org](mailto:ellen@gracedm.org)) know if you will make use of that and how many from your family will attend and be joining us for dinner by August 31 so we can plan accordingly. We are excited to partner with families in faith formation this coming year, and look forward to this opportunity for us all to be better equipped to keep the baptismal promises that we all made to these children of Grace Lutheran.



### Acts of Grace Project

We are continuing our Kindness projects, both at God's Work Our Hands, and with an opportunity to post and share ideas on the bulletin board. Right now we have ideas for back to school posted, but feel free to branch out and do what feels right!

**September 17:** we will return to two worship services at 8:15 and 10:45 a.m., with Sunday School, Adult Education at 9:30 a.m. We will also have an opportunity to pose for a photo with Sandy Briggs and a cool "travel bug" from Tanzania that has made it's way to Grace's Geocache! Read more in the Friendly Visitor.



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