

Please Contact the Church

- if you have a prayer request for the Prayer Chain or for worship services.
- if you are entering the hospital. Hospitals no longer contact churches with patient information. We would love to visit you in the hospital, but you must contact us or have someone on your behalf contact us so that we know when and where you are in the hospital.
- when you have a new baby to be included in the prayers.

This Week—

Flowers on the altar have been placed in thanksgiving and the Glory of God for the 90th birthday of Arnie Neumueller. *Happy Birthday!*

Flowers on the altar have also been placed by Curth & Ruth Orth in honor and memory of Norman Tesch. *God's Blessing!*

Calendar Highlights

Catechization	May 1
G3 Prayer Breakfast	May 3
Bake Sale for VBS	May 4 & 5
Confirmation Service	May 5
Blood Drive	May 7
G3 at Arboretum	May 13
Grace Gardener's Geranium Sale	May 18 & 19
Widows/Widowers Lunch	May 19
Grace School Walk/Run	June 1
Celebration for Sharon Laabs	June 2
Forum on Youth Ministry	June 2
Rummage/Bake Sale	June 7

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Special Announcements

Change is part of life and our school will be undergoing change as Sharon Laabs, Joy Yurk, and Tracy Parker follow the Lord's guiding to new places and in new ways to serve Him. *"Many are the plans in the mind of a man, but it is the purpose of the Lord that will stand."* (Proverbs 19:21) With this in mind, Grace will continue to pursue educational excellence as we find replacements for these positions in our school.

1. Assisted by the South Wisconsin District of the LC-MS, we are in search for an intentional Interim Principal who will help lead Grace during our time of transition until we find our next permanent principal.
2. By May 1 the Board of Directors will have two search teams in place – one for the principal position and another for the teacher positions.
3. You are invited to a **congregational town hall meeting on Wednesday, May 8, at 6:30PM in the sanctuary**. We will share our plans for the future and invite you to ask questions about the school as we move forward.

Confident in our Lord's ability to provide in abundance, we follow Him through this time of change. Keep Sharon, Joy, Tracy and this transition in your prayers. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me. —*Pastor Rob Goodwin*

Happy 90th birthday to Arnie Neumueller, whose birthday is May 1. Stop in the narthex after the 8:00 service to wish Arnie a happy birthday and celebrate with him and his family by having a piece of birthday cake.

Servant Saturday Blessings! Thank you to all who participated in or helped to make Servant Saturday possible! We had over 200 members of Grace serving in our community. What an awesome picture of how God "blesses us to be a blessing!" Today in worship you can see many pictures of different servants who gave their time in service to the Lord. May this weekend inspire all of us to continue to serve as the Lord has blessed us.

Youth Group is canceled on May 5 due to the Confirmation Service that is taking place at 1:30. Have a wonderful day with your family and friends (or come and celebrate this awesome day with your fellow youth in Christ!)

Blood Drive - Tuesday, May 7 3:00 - 7:00PM Church Commons. Giving blood is a fulfilling, powerful and enriching experience that saves lives. It's a quick, simple and amazing way to give back to the community. Appointments are encouraged; walk-ins are welcome. Appointment link: <http://www.bcw.edu/GraceLutheran>.

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Parent and Volunteer Forum on Youth Ministry—If you are a parent or adult interested in learning about the future of youth ministry at Grace, and helping to move us into this future, we invite you to a discussion on Youth Ministry in the narthex on June 2 at 2:30PM. Anyone else interested in helping out the youth ministry at Grace is also encouraged to attend.

Give 5 For the Journey"- As we continue to stand together in supporting God's ministry through Grace, please pray about committing to the life-changing ministry by giving an extra \$5 per week. The "Standing Together" envelopes can be used for this special offering. Please mark the envelope "Give 5." Thank you.

Our Serving Ministry at Grace

Identifying, equipping and releasing people to do ministry

Pick up beautiful 4" Shady Lane geraniums at a sale taking place on May 18 & 19 to support our Grace garden.

Prayer Time is available for you in communion services. If you would like to have someone lift your needs in prayer, walk to the back of the church after communion before you return to your pew. Someone will be there to say a short private prayer with you. All information shared will be held in confidence.



To learn more about serving opportunities contact the person coordinating that ministry or Deaconess Marlene Anderson. We look forward to hearing from you!

Connections-because life is better together! Make Bible study a part of your weekly schedule.

Sunday mornings— **Bible Study on Ephesians**, led by Sarah Mueller from 9:30-10:30AM, in the Conference Room.

Tuesdays in the Conference Room, 11:45-12:45PM—**Book of Acts** led by Deaconess Marlene.

4th Thursday of the month at 9:30AM in the Conference Room, "**The Study of Colossians and Philemon**" led by Myrtle Boese. Come join us. For questions call, 262-251-2579.

Mondays biweekly—Bible Class at Ken & Betty Bahr's home. **Genesis Matters!** Discussion, Bible reading, videos. Call 262-255-4643.

Faith and Fellowship at the Heidens

2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month from January 22 through May 28. 7:00PM. 6486 W. Pierner Place, Brown Deer, 414-362-0429.

Missions & Service

Volunteers from Grace are setting up and providing desserts for Community Banquet on May 9. We are in need of dessert for 200 people. Please contact the church office if you can help out.

The Manna Committee is in need of nonperishable items, especially peanut butter, jelly, rice and powdered milk. Also needed are paper items, pots & pans and kitchen utensils. Bins for donation are located in the hall adjacent to the Commons.

The Economy Center Thrift Store, located at 7814 W. Burleigh Street, is accepting and would welcome donations of items that are in good repair. Please call 414-442-2272 for donation times.

Adult Ministry

The Widows and Widowers will meet Sunday, May 19, 11:30AM at the Olive Garden Restaurant, 18180 W. Blue Mound Road, Brookfield. Please call Sandy Heckler at 262-617-3156 if you plan to come, need a ride or directions. A count is needed for priority seating so call by Sat. prior. Please join us for food and fellowship.

G3 – Prayer Breakfast- In connection with the National Day of Prayer, the Golden Grace Group (G3) will be hosting a Prayer Breakfast on May 3 from 8:30-11AM in the Grace Commons. The event will include breakfast, a time of fellowship, and a chance to talk with and hear from a prayer panel regarding the role of prayer in the Christian life. For more information and to RSVP please contact Sue Gering (262-251-7087) or Pastor Kuehn (262-251-0670).

The G3 Nursing Home Ministry Group will meet at the Arboretum on Monday, May 13, from 2-3pm. Please join us as we talk and interact with these senior citizens. Please call Sandy Heckler, 262-617-3156, or Pastor Kuehn, 262-251-0670, for more information.

Women's Ministry

Save the Date! Our Women's Daybreak Event will be held on Saturday, October 19 8:30AM - 4:00PM. This year's keynote speaker is Rachel Inouye. Rachel's transparency and authenticity in her relationship with Christ makes an impact on the lives around her. She is a gifted communicator with great ability to articulate and apply God's word in everyday language for everyday situations through stories and scripture. She desires to encourage women in their relationship with God. Rachel will be speaking on *Words, Words, Words*. We spend money on lipstick, toothpaste, and breath freshener. Ever consider the importance of what comes out of the mouth? Some words need to be silenced, some spread around, and the WORD of God we must soak up.

We will also have inspirational breakout sessions and great music. More details to come!

Youth Ministry

National Youth Gathering Support

If you were wondering what you could do to support our youth who are going on the National Youth Gathering, here are a few ideas:

1. Please pray for us. There are 14 people attending the gathering in San Antonio, TX from July 1st—5th. Pray for safe travel, a wonderful experience, and God's work in our lives.
2. Adopt-a-Youth: The gathering is a once in a lifetime opportunity that is truly amazing for those who attend; it is also expensive. You can help fund a portion of their trip through a direct donation or by buying "stock" which is a certificate that will give you a postcard and a dinner after the gathering, put on by the youth. If you are interested in either of these, please see Pastor Howard.

Thank you for supporting our youth and their opportunity to go to this amazing gathering.

The **Youth Groups** meet in the youth room at the Kenwood campus on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of most months. Parents are needed to assist Pastor Howard with gym activities.

Junior Youth (6th – 8th grade) 5:00 – 6:30PM

Senior Youth (high school) 7:00 – 8:30PM

Children's Ministry



VBS—Vacation Bible School registration is underway for the summer program which runs July 29-Aug 2 from 9:00AM to noon. All children 3 years old through 5th grade are welcome to attend. This year the theme is *Kingdom Rock—Where*

Kids Stand Strong for God. Volunteers are also needed. Registration forms are available in the Connections Corner.

JAM – for children 3 years old – 5th grade is held on Sunday mornings at during the 9:30 worship service during the school year. Children begin in worship with their families and are dismissed to the Commons during the service. Pre-school age children need a wristband that parents should pick up in the Commons before the 9:30AM service.

Baptism Information - If you are planning to have a baptism before August, 2013, plan to attend the quarterly baptism class in the Commons at noon on Sunday, May 19. Plan ahead if you will be welcoming a baby.

Grace Lutheran School

Please visit the school section of our website www.grace-connect.org for information, calendar, and a link to Fast Direct.



Grace Lutheran School families and friends, **IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE!** I just received our Iowa Basic standardized test scores. The faculty's goal was

to improve our math scores this year. I am proud to announce that we certainly did. Last year our percentile rank compared to other schools in the country was 80%. This year as a school we scored in the 94th percentile. We attribute this improvement to teachers who insist upon excellence, students who commit to setting goals and a rigorous, new Saxon math curriculum. Thanks to parents for supporting this change and to the golf outing for providing needed funding. *Sharon Laabs*

GLS PARENTS & ALUMNI-WE NEED YOUR HELP! Do you have any photos of Mrs. Laabs with your child's/your 4th grade class or during the last 4 years as principal? If you do, please email to nesteffan@gmail.com.

Did you know . . .

that Grace students are rising to the challenge through their Chapel offerings of supporting a student for a year at Concordia Lutheran School in the Dominican Republic?

that 3rd graders created a company while studying economics in Social Studies? They made and sold brownies to help Chasing Chad-brain tumor research, Hearts for Jesus, and to help Peter, a missionary in Kenya. After selling their company, they raised a total of \$510.

Final 50th Anniversary Grace School Celebration—Picnic with 3-mile Walk/Run, Sat., June 1, 10:00AM-2:00PM at Rotary Park, N85 W14199 Fond Du Lac Ave. in Menomonee Falls. Registration forms in Connections Corner. Feel free to bring lawn chairs, blankets, your own food/drink, and yard games. Cousins bag lunch is available for a nominal fee. See form to order Cousin’s lunch. Return registration forms, (checks payable to Grace) by May 15.

Appreciation Dinner for Sharon Laabs—celebrating 26 years of service, June 2, 4:00PM. Please see pink flyer, attached, to register.

As the summer calendar begins to fill up, we are happy to announce the 3rd **Annual Grace Lutheran School Golf Outing** to be held on Sat., September 14, at 1:30PM at Scenic View Country Club. Put it on your calendar as this year’s event should be even bigger and better than last year. More details to come. Remember to invite those outside of the Grace family to participate. If you have any questions, please contact Bryan Laabs at 262-345-5066.

Lutheran High Schools

LAKE COUNTRY LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

Families are needed to **Host Foreign Exchange Students** for the 2013-2014 school year. Contact Principal Dwayne Jobst at djobst@lakecountryhs.org. NOTE: One of the organiza-

tions we work with, EF Foundation for Foreign Studies, will donate a \$500 grant to the school for each host families.

LIVING WORD LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

Be sure to check out the Summer Camp brochures, available in the Connection Corner and the school office. Classes are available in Art, Drama, Sports and Technology. For more information contact Tim Gast at tgast@lwlhs.com or call 262-677-9353.

MARTIN LUTHER HIGH SCHOOL

The annual **Rummage Sale** will be held on Wednesday, May 8 from 9:30AM – 7:30pm, Thursday, May 9 from 9:30AM – 3:30PM and Friday, May 10 from 9:30AM -1:00PM.

The **Annual Spring Concert and Art Exhibition** will be held on Friday, May 17 and Saturday, May 18. Call the school at 414-421-4000 to order tickets.

Summer Programs 2013 are now available. Call the school (414-421-4000) for more information.

Other News

Attention Motorcyclists – LCFS of WI will have its 9th Kruz for Kinder ride on June 1st 2013 at 9AM. Please join us for the Kruz, lunch and door prize drawing. This year’s Kruz will benefit the Special Times of Need Program. To request a registration form, please visit our website at www.lcfswi.org or email DrMeseck@lcfswi.org. The route will be posted prior to the ride at the LCFS website and will be available during registration at Divine Savior Lutheran Church in Hartford.

You are encouraged to be a part of Buckets for Bob Fund-raiser for Bob Aker, member of Grace. Bob was recently diagnosed with ALS and it has become necessary to have their bathroom upgraded for handicap access. If you are not able to participate in the fundraiser, cash donations can be made. See the flyer in the Connections Corner for details.

Serving at Grace:

This Week: 4/28	Saturday, 5:00PM	Sunday, 8:00AM	Sunday, 9:30AM	Sunday, 11:00AM
Readers	Carol Bird		Jacque Vraney	Jon Schumacher
Elders	Be Ware Doug Lessila	Dave Maaske Gary Lippert	Al Heiden Doug Lessila Dave Maaske Gary Lippert	Jon Schumacher Al Heiden Be Ware Doug Lessila
Usher Teams	3	2	8A	2A
A/V	Lukas Jaeger	Ron Bernardini	Ron Bernardini	Ron Bernardini
Acolytes	Emily Neils	Andrea Busalacchi	Josie Cronce	Jenna Agbuis
Nursery			Julie Kren Hanna Schuricht Jasmyn Ware	
Altar Circle	Jane Fritsch, Karen Kangas		Susan Sutherland, Chris Stuetgen	
Greeters	Karen Huettner	Chuck & Cindy Knade	Karl & Kristin Knorr Glenn & Kris Erdmann	Gene & Heidi Farrell Robert & Debra Cutler
Partners in Prayer	Marlene Anderson		Bryan Buchholz	Sandy Heckler
Coffee Hosts			Sara Lueck	

Next Week: 5/5	Catechization May 1, 6:30pm	Saturday, 5:00PM	Sunday, 8:00AM	Sunday, 9:30AM	Sunday, 11:00AM	Confirmation 1:30PM
Readers		Curt Huettner			Brian Drewes	
Elders	Team C	Team C	Team C	Team C	Team C	
Usher Teams	3A	4	6	5A	6A	4A
A/V	Dan Stiller	Mike Guilfoyle, Ken Alvord	Ken Alvord	Todd Behrens	Todd Behrens	Ron Bernardini Kent Hein Dan Stiller
Acolytes		Ashley Gouthro	Kyle Behrens	Noah Brozowski	Miracle Simpson	Hannah Kastens
Nursery				Milisa Beay Mikayla Bardele Thomas Baumann		
Altar Circle			Karen Mueller Sheila Beyer			
Greeters			Gary & Nancy Fick	Dick & Sharon Laabs Ernie & Shirley Polster	Doug & Lori LeClair Howie & Georgene Fletcher	
Partners in Prayer			Gretchen Mauritz			
Coffee Hosts				Dale & Marilyn Sutherland		

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR GRACE FAMILY				
<i>Collect for the week</i>	O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.			
<i>Hospitalized or Health Issues</i>	Gabriela Vesche, Ruth Hansen, Marjorie Fick, Esther Uschold, Wallie Weiss, Debbie Norris, Mike Baka, Pat Vinogradsky, Carolyn Jaeger			
<i>Deaths</i>	Patricia Witt, Kenneth Sawitzke, Patricia Schuettpelz			
<i>Shut-ins</i>	Marlene Arndt Virgil Boese Marguerite Buchmann Virginia Dieringer Evelyn Dietz Eleanor Gobis	Ed Hallisch Marilyn Harthun Shirley Hermann Erna Jernberg Lorna Keeler Helen Koebert	Ruth Loppnow Bernice Manteufel Louise Mueller Evelyn Murray Arnie Neumueller Shirley Podjaski	Norma Radmann Phillip Sikes Geraldine St. Lawrence Lu Wogsland Josephine Wolf
<i>Birthdays</i>	April 28 Maggie DeCleene Heather Hacker Laura Kalsow Sonny Okrasinski Annette Sachse Karen Scholz April 29 James Dow Brenda Kunz Spencer Lulloff Tom Pearson Lindsay Husslein Dorothy Ruta Jacob Wagner	April 30 Judy Haas Elizabeth Heine Samantha Husslein Trent Metzger May 1 Maxwell Davis Casey Ehler Karen Ludin Sean Mann Arnie Nuemueller Stacey Vincent Michael Wachs Eddie Wehrman	May 2 Jennifer Andrus Stacey Bieri Christine Palmert May 3 Shannon Engelhardt Marianne Franz Craig Hahn Ashley Ludin Jennie Neubauer Tammy Pintor Anna Trokan Nicole Ventzke Joseph Wachs	May 4 Michelle Filzen Michael Hahn Sue Kannenberg Jeremy Layman Kiera Levandowski Grace Lyczak Maxwell McGillvray Emma Weber
<i>Anniversaries</i>	April 30 Thomas & Betty Flaherty Kyle & Diane Polster Steven & Cathy Sandow Michael & Tracy Staedler Robert & Janet Stewart	May 1 James & Beverly Brauer May 3 Michael & Amanda Kosanke	May 4 James & Kathleen Borkowski	
<i>Families</i>	Marjorie Fick Scott & Denise Fields Kurt & Tina Fies Nathan & Michelle Filzen Tom & Betty Flaherty	Howie & Georgene Fletcher Melissa Flynn Patrick & Kelley Foran Mike & Pam Ford Royal & Phyllis Fraedrich	Marianne Franz Mike & Stephanie Fredrich Jerome & Jane Fritsch Brian & Sataya Froemming	Leo & Marilyn Froemming Nick & Tara Froemming Frank & Heidi Fuchsberger Casey & Christina Gabrielson Jason & Tammy Gahagan
<i>Church and School Staff</i>	Joy Yurk Marlene Anderson	Barb Baas Ken Bahr	Carol Bird Tammy Breckenfelder	Bill Cahill Heather Culli
<i>Military</i>	Taylor Bauer, Leesa Klatt, Lance Klatt, Anthony Kondziella, Tom Kondziella, Alex Kubiak, Spencer Lulloff, Christopher Micklitz, Nathan Morgan, Andrew Wahl, Danielle Zandi			
<i>South Wis. District Missions</i>	In your prayers this week, please remember Rev. Gui Kasongo, French African immigrant and LCMS pastor who has a vital role as missionary to French-, English-, and Swahili-speaking members in our District.			