



**Welcome to
Grace Lutheran Church
May 17th, 2026
Founded 1924**

*He looked toward heaven and
prayed...*



John 17:1

~Preservice Music: *“The King Is in the Room”*
“Desert Song”

~Welcome and Announcements

~Prayers of the Day

*~In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.~*

~Prayer of Invitation:

*P: May God arise, may his enemies be
scattered;*

C: may his foes flee before him.

*P: May you blow them away like smoke—as
wax melts before the fire,*

C: may the wicked perish before God.

*P: But may the righteous be glad and
rejoice before God;*

C: may they be happy and joyful.

*P: Sing to God, sing in praise of his name, extol
him who rides on the clouds;*

C: rejoice before him—his name is the LORD.

*P: A father to the fatherless, a defender of
widows,*

C: is God in his holy dwelling.

*P: God sets the lonely in families, he leads out
the prisoners with singing;*

C: but the rebellious live in a sun-scorched land.

P: When you, God, went out before your people,

C: when you marched through the wilderness,

P: the earth shook, the heavens poured down rain, before God, the One of Sinai,

C: before God, the God of Israel.

P: You gave abundant showers, O God;

C: you refreshed your weary inheritance.

P: Your people settled in it,

C: and from your bounty, God, you provided for the poor.

-Psalm 68: 1-10

~Hymn of Praise: "Rest in the Father"

~Confession of Sins:

Heavenly Father, Your blessed Son asked that His Church be one as You and He are one, but Christians have not been united as He prayed. We have isolated ourselves from each other and have failed to listen to each other. We have misunderstood and ridiculed and even gone so far as to attack each other. In doing so we have offended against You, against all our brothers and sisters in the Church and against all who have not believed in You because of our lack of love.

Forgive us Father, and make us fully one. Blot out our sins, renew our minds, rekindle our hearts, and guide us by Your Holy Spirit into the oneness that is Your Will. Amen

~Absolution

~Readings:

Acts 1:1-11

1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11

John 17:1-11

~Prayer:

Lord Jesus Christ, who prayed for your disciples that they might be one, even as you are one with the Father; draw us to yourself, that in common love and obedience to you we may be united to one another, in the fellowship of the one Spirit, that the world may believe that you are Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

~Hymn of Praise: “Refiner’s Fire”

~Sermon

~Nicene Creed

~Tithes and Offerings

~ALL: SING

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.*

~The Lord's Prayer

~Communion

~Hymn of Praise: “Purify My Heart”
“Open Our Eyes, Lord”

~Prayer of Thanks:

*Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a
sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life.
Enable us to receive him always with
thanksgiving, and by Your Spirit conform our
lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our
Lord.*

~Benediction

~Closing Hymn of Praise: “Revival”

Pray for Our Families

The families of Grace that we will keep in our prayers this week are: **Nina Lau**

Cindy Lorenzo

Lynn Lunn

Remember to keep our **Grace Family** and the **CLC** in your daily prayers. Pray for This Week's Ministry:

Townwide Garage Sale

Happenings This Week

May 18th - Firm Foundations 3:30pm

May 19th - Firm Foundations 3:30pm

May 20th - Firm Foundations 3:30pm
Deep Roots 5pm

May 21st - Firm Foundations 3:30pm
Grace out Loud 5:30pm

May 23rd - Townwide Garage Sale
8am @ Community Life Center

May Service Schedule

Reader: Emily Miller

Prayers: Jerry Craver

May Altar Guild: Stacia Roggenbaum & Laura Keesler

May Counters: Jackie Streb & Kathy Verbocy

DESTINATIONS MONTHLY DONATIONS



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Place donations in the **RED** bin.



Home Prayers For Our Grace Family

is a new ministry to strengthen our daily, personal prayer time for our Grace family. There is a print out in the back of church

Women's Bible Study Group will meet again on **28th** at **10:30am** in the church social hall. We are concluding our study of "Women of the Old Testament" with "A Portrait of Excellence" based on Proverbs 31 - "A woman who fears the Lord is to be praised". The women we have studied have given us the path on how to become wise, make good decisions and live according to God's ideal. Have a blessed summer and we will resume meeting in September. For more information Call:
Vicki Sander: 1-814-465-3137 or
Laura Keesler: 1-814-465-9388

Blue chairs for sale!

\$10 a piece or 3 for \$25

Please see a Council member,
Mike Verbocy or call the office.



Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10am-2pm.

May 10th, 2026 Attendance and Giving:

Attendance: 78

Recycling: \$55.00

Giving: \$6,782.00

Destinations:



Holy Communion

We believe that Holy Communion, the Lord's Supper, is a Sacrament of God, instituted by Christ Himself, giving and sealing the gift of forgiveness to those who believe and follow Him.

To help you to decide if you would like to join your brothers and sisters at the Communion table, ask yourself the following questions:

- 1.) Have I been baptized with water in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit?
- 2.) Do I believe the Good News of Jesus' victory over sin and death on the cross for me?
- 3.) Do I recognize the Body and Blood of Christ in and with the bread and wine of Communion given for me for the forgiveness of sins?

If you said 'yes' to each of these questions and desire Holy Communion, the Lord welcomes you to His Holy Supper.

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