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Grace Lutheran Church  
**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**  
God's work. Our hands.

## WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL TIMES

9:30-10:15 AM Sunday School at Grace \*\*\*

10:30 AM Worship at Grace Lutheran in Darlington

\*\*\* Sunday School will be on hiatus through February 13

## GRACE LUTHERAN ANNUAL CONGRATONAL MEETING

Sunday, February 6, 2022

The meeting will be held immediately following an abbreviated worship service. Due to COVID concerns, we will not be holding a luncheon in order to limit close proximity contact with one another. The meeting will center on a review and celebration of what God was doing in 2021, looking forward to listening and living out God's mission for us, reviewing and approving the 2022 spending plan, the nomination and election of new Council members for the upcoming session, and recognition and thanksgiving for those retiring from Council. The written annual report will be available by January 30.

**ONLINE WORSHIP:** Available for those who are prevented from attending in person.

- \* Facebook Live (Facebook.com – search under “People”: Grace Lutheran.Darlington)
- \* YouTube (YouTube.com – Grace Lutheran Church Darlington Wisconsin)

**NEED AN EARLIER WORSHIP TIME?** Take the opportunity to visit our partner congregation, Hope Lutheran Church! At this time offerings should continue to be dropped off/mailed to one's respective congregation.

**COVID-19 PROCEDURES:** Masks are strongly recommended indoors among larger groups at this time due to the current recommendations of the Lafayette County Health Department and the CDC.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER:** In the case of inclement weather or other situation where in-person or worship in general is determined to be cancelled, a notice will be made by 8:00 AM through email, our “individual” Facebook page (Facebook.com/DarlingLutherans), WDMP (D99.3), WEKZ (97.3), and Channel 3.



### ***“From the Keyboard of Pastor Kate”***

*When I came to you, siblings, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom, but on the power of God.*

-- the Apostle Paul to the church in Corinthians (1 Cor 2:1-4)

There is much that I dream could be -- for myself, for Grace Lutheran in Darlington, for Hope Lutheran Church in Mineral Point, for each of you as you live into being the Beloved whom God has called, claimed, and sent. Those dreams are exciting and wonderful and curious and daunting, all at the same time! That is what I hear in Paul’s words from this passage from Corinthians. I relate! But it is my desire to keep my focus -- our focus -- as we grow together and minister to each other and those beyond ourselves on the one thing that truly matters and changes everything: *For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified.*

Thank you for your faithfulness in helping to keep the heart of the matter **the heart of the matter**, and doing the best you can with what God has given you. Keep up the good work, Beloved!

Warmly,  
Pastor Kate

### **Pastor’s Schedule**

- Sundays:**     Hope – Mineral Point: 7:45 – 9:45 am (8:30 service)  
                          Grace – Darlington: 10:10 am – noon (10:30 service)
- Mondays:**    Mineral Point  
                          Darlington (1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Mondays, Council, 7pm – 8:30 pm)
- Tuesdays:**   Darlington
- Wednesdays:** *Daytime hours/places vary weekly with meetings & prep.*  
                          Confirmation (5:15-7pm)  
                          Mineral Point (3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays: Hope Council @ 7pm)
- Thursdays:**   Sermon-Writing and monthly prayer retreat
- Fridays:**       Pastor’s Day Off

### **SOCIAL MINISTRY TEAM**

Are you desiring to strengthen the communications and connections between Grace and the needs of our community and world? We are looking for individuals to form a Social Ministry Team to continue our outreach ministries and to share and discuss ideas, as well as build congregational awareness and involvement. It’s about connecting and building partnerships with what is already being done by others. Please contact Pastor Kate or a Council member if you are interested in helping this important work.

## WORSHIP LEADER SCHEDULE

	February 6	February 13	February 20	February 27
<b>Altar Care</b>	Pat Roelli Mary Ann Roelli	Linda Considine	Diane Bredeson Barb Schilling	Pat Roelli Mary Ann Roelli
<b>Greeters*</b>	Don & Laura Barnard	Diane Bredeson	Kris & Steve Fleming	Pat & Paul Roelli
<b>Ushers**</b>	Don Leinberger Gary Borcharding	Don Leinberger Ryelyn Badertscher	Don Leinberger Odessa Badertscher	Don Leinberger Marilyn Johns
<b>Acolyte</b>	Serenedy Opland	Ryelyn Badertscher	Odessa Badertscher	Marta Roelli
<b>Reader</b>	Don Barnard	Marv Reis	Kris Fleming	Paul Roelli
<b>Communion</b>	Mary Ann Roelli	Linda Considine	Barb Schilling	Mary Ann Roelli
<b>Bread Baker</b>	Mary Ann Roelli	XXXXXXXXXXXX	Laura Barnard	XXXXXXXXXXXX

*\*Please arrive 20 minutes early.      \*\*Please arrive 25 minutes early.*

If you are unable to fulfill your role on a given weekend, please contact another person/family on the Worship Leader Schedule and swap or have someone cover for you.

See the bulletin board in the narthex for a more extensive schedule.

Please indicate changes ahead of time on that master schedule, **or** if need be, contact the office with changes. (Office: 608.776.4462; [darlinglutherans@gmail.com](mailto:darlinglutherans@gmail.com)).



### CARE TEAM

The confirmation students and the Care Team are partnering together to create and deliver valentines to the homebound members. Also at the annual meeting there will be two big cards for everyone to sign to also be delivered to the Manor and Sienna Crest workers and residence. Thank you to everyone who is helping with this project and delivery.

### FELLOWSHIP SCHEDULE

During this peak season of the pandemic and flu season in our area, we are forgoing the sharing of refreshments and goodies.



# Grace Lutheran Church Council

## Council Contact Information



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## Church Staff

----- (office and bulletin)  
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Musician: Mary Knellwolf [mlknellwolf@gmail.com](mailto:mlknellwolf@gmail.com)

## Council Highlights – January 11, 2022

### Things your council is working on now:

We are donating to Family Advocates and Kentucky Tornado Relief from the remaining community benevolence fund.

Our Annual Meeting is scheduled for February 6, 2022 after an abbreviated service. Please plan to attend. Steve Kottke and Chuck Barnard are on the ballot to replace Steve Fleming and Jodi White. There are other positions open, please consider serving on the Finance, Audit, Memorial Gifts, or Endowment Funds.

Your Council made the difficult decision not to have a meal/service annual meeting this year. We are planning to have a congregation picnic this summer. Watch for details...

## IN OUR PRAYERS

### We remember in our prayers:



**Congregation:** *(for comfort and health):* Billie Ferger  
*(for those preparing for baptism)* Lilly Badertscher  
**Friends and Family:** *(For those friends and family battling illness, cancer, awaiting procedures, recovering, or preparing to leave us):* Kim Busch, Mary Glass, Sue Sellnau, Dick Romke, Kelly Lynch, Penny Holum, Kathy Littel, Lindsey Nyffenegger, Bernie Wedig, Dale Egeland, Marilyn Carpenter, John Kowatch, Jim Bredeson, and Devin Kloepfer.

# Celebration!

## **Birthdays:**

**Wendy Johns (2/03)**  
**Kylie Schilling (2/07)**  
**Vicki Johnston (2/16)**  
**Rachel Suthers (2/23)**

**Ruby Black (2/06)**  
**Missy Zasada (2/07)**  
**Chelsie Golackson (2/22)**  
**Sheila Carrington (2/28)**

**John Roelli (2/06)**  
**Jack Leu (2/13)**  
**Bob Johns (2/23)**

## **Anniversaries:**

**Patty and Stu Vamstad (2/16)**

Please let the office know if we have missed your birthday or anniversary in the listing so we can add your special day to our records.

## **WORDS OF GRATITUDE**

- To Tina Riechers, Don and Laura Barnard for all their getting ready for the annual meeting
- To the people who cared for the poinsettias.
- To the snow shovelers: Tim White, Paul Roelli, Don Leinberger
- To the money counters: Don and Laura Barnard



## **Thank you(s) Received**

I would like to thank you and all your generous parishioners for the wonderful donations toward the 2021 Christmas Blessing program. We helped 17 families to have an enjoyable holiday season.

- Sincerely, Karen Reichling, Christmas Blessing Program Coordinator

Grace Lutheran Church: Thank you so much for your generous donation of hats gloves, and socks. Our community is so blessed to have people such as yourselves! We really appreciate you!

- Angie Davis, DEMS Counselor

Dear Grace: Thank you for the years of warm welcoming smiles, never ending support and gratitude you have given me both professionally and personally. Without your friendship, support and collaboration, my time here would not have been the same. As I step into a new path, I do so with humble thanks to each of you. Thank you for showing me what a wonderful place Grace Lutheran Church is.

- Tiffany Donahoe



# Faith Formation



**SUNDAY SCHOOL** - Sundays, 9:30-10:15 AM (*preschool – 4<sup>th</sup>*)  
(Sunday School will be on hiatus thru February 13)

**CONFIRMATION** – 5:15-7:00 PM (*5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade*)  
(Confirmation will be online February 2, 9, & 23 – No class on Feb. 16)

## TAKING FAITH HOME

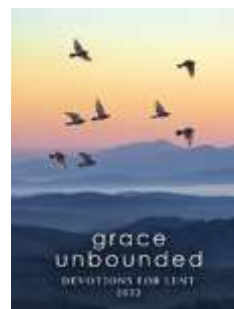
*Taking Faith Home* is an insert in weekly bulletins for faith conversations and devotions **in the home** and **small groups** (Council & committee meetings, bible studies, etc.). Extra copies are available in the welcome center, as well as acrylic stands to use at home.

## CHRIST IN OUR HOME

The January-March edition of this devotional is available in the narthex.

## GRACE UNBOUNDED: DEVOTIONS FOR LENT 2022

*Grace Unbounded* provides daily devotions for each day from Ash Wednesday (March 2) to the Vigil of Easter (traditionally known as Holy Saturday). Devotions begin with an evocative image and a brief passage from the Gospel of Luke. There will be copies available in regular print and a few in large print edition for some who need it. This devotional makes it easy to incorporate a simple Christian observance into your forty day Lenten journey.



## 2022 LEAD CONFERENCE

ELCA’s annual **Leadership, Education and Development Day**, “LEAD”, event is scheduled to take place on February 26 from 8:30 AM-4:00 PM. We are grateful to our host location this year, St. Luke’s Church in Middleton!

This year, the theme and keynote relates to John 15:11. They will talk about the complexity of joy in troubled times and how the currencies and gifts God has given us can nurture this joy. Pastor Julie Boleyn and James Fielder from **Kaleidoscope Institute** will be the keynote speakers. There will also be 24 workshops on a variety of topics that are relevant to all. Invitation is to all staff, lay leaders and people that help our congregation thrive!

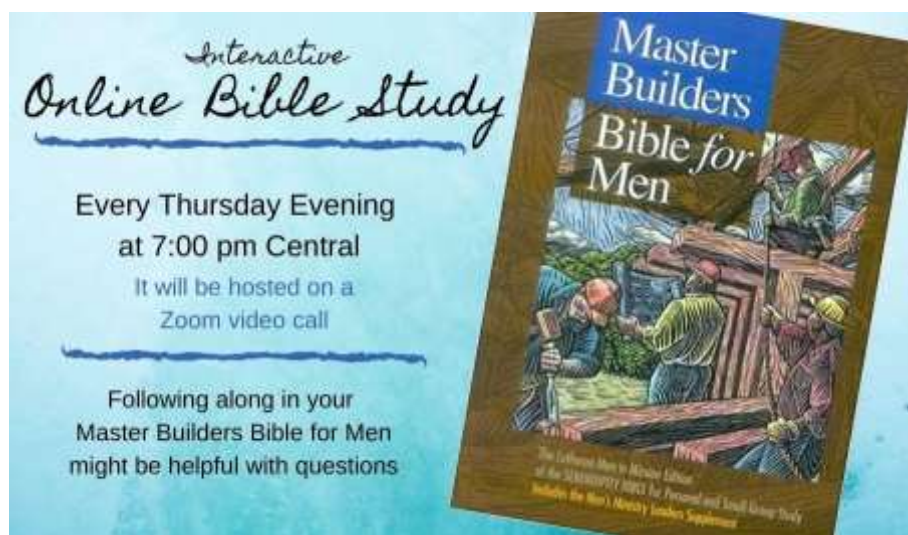
**Registration deadline is February 11.** The cost is only \$30.00 per person and includes lunch. If you have any questions please reach out to Donna Maysack or Roblyn Zimmerman in the synod office at (608) 270-0201 or [scswoffice@scsw-elca.org](mailto:scswoffice@scsw-elca.org).

## STAR INITIATIVE BOOK STUDY

Join the next Small Town & Rural Youth ministry offering: a book club discussion group on the book, *SUSTAINABLE YOUTH MINISTRY*, written by Mark DeVries. Do you ever wonder why most youth ministries don't last? Come learn what you and your church community can do about it? The deadline to register is February 10 and the first ten people will receive a free copy of the book! They meet on the fourth Thursdays from 6:00-7:30 PM (February 24, March 24, April 28, May 26), in-person at Dodgeville's Grace Lutheran Church or over zoom. The reading schedule will be released no later than February 10. For more information contact Pastor Kate.

## Lutheran Men in Mission Bible Study Opportunity

Email Kevin Burke for Zoom link: [kevin@lutheranmeninmission.org](mailto:kevin@lutheranmeninmission.org)



## Lafayette County Food Pantry



The Lafayette County Food Pantry is currently accepting donations. Particular needs right now are canned tuna fish, canned white chunk chicken, canned mandarin oranges, cooking oil, rice, Hamburger Helper, **personal care products** (tooth paste, tooth brushes, shampoo, crème rinse, lotion, etc.), diapers (sizes 3, 4, & 5). **Toilet paper, paper towels and empty egg cartons** are always needed.

Donations can be dropped off at Grace in the shopping cart located near the fellowship area. Frozen products can be dropped off at the Food Pantry on Tuesdays or Thursdays (10:00-3:00). Tell them you represent Grace Lutheran Church, and your donation will be added to our ongoing count of pounds for 2021! **Grace Lutheran has donated a total of 2,028 # of food/supplies in 2021!!**

**“FILL the STABLE” – WORLD HUNGER** “Fill the Stable” - Donations collected on behalf of our children to help purchase an animal in the stable and help those in need all over the world. The funds collected amounted to **\$390.00**. At printing time, an animal has not been chosen.



**MITTEN TREE**

Mitten Tree collection results are: **28 pairs of socks, 29 pairs of gloves and 42 hats.**



**TOILET PAPER CHALLENGE**

The **321 rolls** will be taken to the Food Pantry






We continue to look for pictures of the people and events of Grace. Please send your pictures to Pastor Kate and/or the church office email.



# February 2022

Pastor on vacation—Starting after worship on February 13 thru February 20

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
 February 2		1	2 10:00 Worship Committee 5:15-7:00 PM Confirmation online	3	4	5	
8:30 AM Worship @ Hope No Sun Sch. 10:30AM Worship @ Grace 11:00 Annual Mtg @ Grace	6	7 7:00 PM Council	8	9 10:00 Hospitality Committee 5:15-7:00 PM Confirmation online 6:30 Hope Council Mtg	10	11	12
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### Mission Statement

We are Grace people. Jesus Christ sends us out to:

- ✚ Feed the hungry
- ✚ Welcome every child
- ✚ Seek out the stranger
- ✚ Give thanks to God in all things
- ✚ Follow the way of the cross

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Newsletter Deadline  
 Items need to be submitted for  
 March Newsletter by February 23

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**11:00 AM**  
**Sunday, February 6, 2022**