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## HOLY WEEK



## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Thursday, April 1 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Worship Service**  
**Friday, April 2 7:00 PM Good Friday Worship Service**  
**Sunday, April 4 10:00 AM Easter Worship with Holy Communion**

Easter services will be held in the Grace parking lot. Feel free to bring lawn chairs and sit outside your car with safe distance and your radio turned up to 1100 AM. There will be special surprises in the service for young people. Invite others to join us! In case of inclement weather, we will be indoors.

### WORSHIP

**SUNDAY SERVICES** continue at 10:00 AM and are accessible in-person with safety measures in place and Facebook Live. We have been experiencing difficulties with uploading our worship services to YouTube for those who don't use Facebook. The problem should be resolved now, and Hannah Badertscher will be posting them again, as well as reposting the ones that are currently missing.

**HOLY COMMUNION** is a part of worship on the second and fourth Sundays of the month with the exception of Easter Sunday. We will have Holy Communion on Easter Sunday instead of the second Sunday. Those who are not able to join us in person for worship are invited to participate in "real time" via Facebook Live and may gather bread and wine or grape juice ahead of time to participate.

## From the Keyboard of Pastor Kate....



Grace and Peace to you, Beloved Siblings in Christ, from our Risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! This Sunday we proclaim,

**ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!  
HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!**

How we hunger to be together to proclaim and shout those words! It has been two years since we had such an opportunity, and the weather is promising to be beautiful for our parking lot Easter celebration with communion at 10am! Bring those lawn chairs and turn up the radio to 1100 AM!

Many hands, hearts, minds, and help have gone into the careful planning and preparations for Lent, Holy Week, and Easter Sunday Services that are allowing us to come together in ways that are responsible, using many practices to help keep people safe and able to participate! A special “shout-out” to the women serving on the Worship Committee and altar care: Linda Considine, Diane Bredesen, Jalaine Ruegsegger, Pat Roelli, Carol Kammes, Barb Schilling, and Judy Elzen.

The Care Team has been active in reaching out to our homebound members with cards, treats, and devotional materials. Thanks to Jalaine Ruegsegger and the team for all their creativity and activity!

We are also thankful for technology, and the experience and gifts of Hannah Badertscher as we continue to work through the challenges of reaching those who are needing distance access to our worship services and ministries.

Another “SHOUT OUT” goes to Tiffany Donahoe and Judy Elzen for their work in the office! Tiffany worked hard with limited hours to get bulletins ready through Easter before she left on a much-needed vacation. Judy Elzen has done a terrific job collecting, editing and putting together the monthly newsletter, and is filling in for Tiffany while she’s away.

We continue wrestling with the challenges that doing things in new ways brings, but it is in doing this that we realize that our God specializes in bringing new life and hope to the world, and God will bring us through this as well, albeit changed and aware of new possibilities! I’m excited to see where God is going to be taking us as we step with Jesus out of the tomb and into the light of a new day! Thanks be to God!

Pastor Kate

### VACATION

Pastor Kate will be on vacation beginning the afternoon of April 4 through April 11. Pastor Gus Barnes, Jr., Faith Lutheran in Cuba City will be on call for pastoral needs from April 7-11. Contact Council President Don Barnard for contact information.

There will be Service of the Word on April 11 with Bishop Joy Mortenson-Wiebe giving the sermon.



## IN OUR PRAYERS

We remember in our prayers: **Meghan Douglas, Rita Flesher, Lindsey Nyffenegger, Tony Bunjer, Paul Roelli's brother-in-law Mark, Jenna and family, Erica Droessler and family, Lorraine Terrill, Marge Rowe and family, Liz Barth, Amy Farley, Bev Mulcahy, and those severely affected by the serious storms in the south.**

We remember also the families of **Dottie Conroy, Sally Gorgas, Maddi Jo, Aaron Lancaster, Don Eicher, Pat Miller (sister of Barb Nelson), Carl Anderson, and the families and others affected by the violence in Colorado, Atlanta, and Miami.**

## PRAYER VENTURES

Copies of "Prayer Ventures" for April can be found in the narthex. Prayer Ventures lists daily petitions and guides for prayer for the global, social and out-reach ministries of the ELCA, as well as for the needs and circumstances of our neighbors, communities and world. We encourage our readers to use this resource daily during their devotional times.



### Birthdays

**Troy Lobdell 4/02**  
**JoNell Coats 4/4**

**Bill Schilling 4/02**  
**Brian Schilling 4/06**

**Denise Breen 4/04**  
**Charles Sleep 4/11**

### Anniversaries

**Greg and Mary Roelli 4/07**  
**Chris and Sheila Andrews 4/28**



### Anniversary, Birthdates, Retirements, and Gottcha

**Dates:** Please send us your dates. Just the month and day. The year is not needed. We would like to list them in the newsletter each month, so we can celebrate with you.



## Pictures of Grace

We continue to look for pictures of the people of Grace – shots of smiling faces and faith and ministry in action wherever you are – at home, in the community, and at church! Please send your pictures to Pastor Kate and/or the church office email. We'd like to use these for newsletters and outreach. Help us to

spread the word!

**HYMN REQUESTS** are still being taken by musician Mary Knellwolf for prelude and postlude music. You may contact Mary at [mlknellwolf@gmail.com](mailto:mlknellwolf@gmail.com), call or text her at 608/482-0116.



# Grace Lutheran Church Council

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## Council Minutes Highlights --- March 10, 2021 @ 7:00 PM

- Holy Week Services—Maundy Thursday Services at 7:00 PM, Good Friday Noon Services, Easter Services. Discussion of Easter Service at 10:00 AM in the parking lot. Set up at 9:00 AM. Plan will be to have the service inside the church if the weather is bad.
- Downstairs lighting—need new bulbs and the electrician is suggesting switching to LEDs. The bulbs are more expensive, but the bulbs themselves are more efficient. The bulbs are \$26. The light fixtures in the basement are the original fixtures. Property committee obtained a bid from Norse Electric to replace the original ballasts and bulbs with new LED bulbs. With the new LED bulbs, ballasts are no longer needed. The new LED lights cost \$26 each. With the proposed plan, Norse Electric will replace all the old lights and remove the ballasts while using the existing fixtures. With disposal, labor and new materials, the cost of the project will be approximately \$2,000.
- Discussion of getting AC unit off the cement slab and on a stand so in case of flood, we don't get water in the AC unit. Future capital fund resources will be needed to raise the air conditioner outside off the ground. Bid with Riley Plumbing in the works.
- Discussion of spring clean-up day.



## COMMUNITY & CONGREGATIONAL Care



**Care Team:** The Care Team has been busy preparing Easter gifts and delivery to Sienna Crest, Lafayette Manor, homebound and others in our community. We would like to give a shout out and thank you to the following people who helped make this all possible: Diane Bredeson, Linda Considine, Marilyn Johns, Pat



Roelli, and Mary Roelli. The Care Team organizes and carries out projects and activities in meaningful ways that connect our church to each other, to the community of Darlington, and to our world. If interested contact Jalaine Ruegsegger at 608/432-030 or [ruganj21@gmail.com](mailto:ruganj21@gmail.com)



## CLEAN UP DAYS

A Clean Up day for Grace is planned for Saturday, April 10 beginning at 9:00 AM. Bring rakes, ladders, gloves, etc. If the weather is not reasonable on April 10, we will plan to work the following Saturday, April 17. “Many hands make light work”.



## ALTAR CARE/COMMITTEE



We have scheduled a **training time** for those who are interested in helping with getting ready for worship and putting things away after on **Wednesday, April 21 at 10:45 AM**. We are looking to create a schedule for the altar care so that two people could work together each week and be on maybe once a month. If you are interested and cannot attend this meeting please let Pastor know or email or leave a message at the church.

# “GOD’S WORK, OUR HANDS”

## -COMMUNITY Care-



### WORLD ELCA WORLD HUNGER & GOOD GIFTS

Please remember to bring your ELCA World Hunger and Good Gifts offering from Lent and place in the ‘barn’ in the narthex during worship, or send a check with “ELCA World Hunger” in the memo line.

## Lafayette County Food Pantry



The Lafayette County Food Pantry is currently accepting donations. Particular needs right now are **canned pasta**, **canned beans** (pork and beans, pinto, kidney, chili, etc.), family-friendly **non-cream soups** (such as tomato, chicken noodle; NO CREAM OF MUSHROOM), Hamburger Helper, peanut butter, non-sugared cereals such as Chex, Cheerios, corn flakes etc., **personal care products** (tooth paste, tooth brushes, shampoo, crème rinse, lotion, etc.). **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.



The pantry is also in need of volunteers. If you are under the age of 70, able-bodied, have no underlying health conditions, and are not going home to someone with any, please contact Amanda or Liz at the pantry number (608/776-3500).

## FARMER ANGEL NETWORK

This website is a “neighbors helping neighbors” model designed for farmers who are overwhelmed with the stressors borne from Covid-19. It is designed to work with farmers to keep them informed of the services and programs available to assist them. For more information, visit: [www.projectrecoverywi.org](http://www.projectrecoverywi.org). An information poster is on the bulletin board in the narthex.

## Faith Formation



### Sunday School 9 – 9:35 AM

*In person K - 4<sup>th</sup> grades*  
*Contact: Hannah Badertscher*  
*Last day: May 23*

### Jr. High Youth Group/Confirmation

**Wednesdays 5:30-7:00 PM\*\***  
*In person 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades*

\*\* Please note the time change.  
No meeting on April 7.  
April 14 – Pizza and conversation.  
Meeting through May 19.

## New Members

Grace Lutheran is accepting new members. If interested or know someone who is, please contact Pastor Kate for details. We are planning to receive new members on Sunday, May 23.

## Taking Faith Home

Our weekly bulletin insert based on the Revised Common Lectionary (our weekly worship texts). It includes:

- examples for each of the Four Key faith practices (*caring conversations, service and rituals and traditions*);
- Includes a weekly prayer, Bible verse, mealtime prayer and blessing;
- offers suggested daily Bible readings and hymn for the week;
- designed for all ages and across generations;
- great for household devotions, family time, church groups, and more!

You will find this resource in your weekly worship bulletin/announcement email. Check it out

## Study with a Different Look

There will be a meeting to begin an informal bible study **Wednesday, April 14, 9:30 AM**. Meet in the sofa area of Grace. Everyone is most welcome and the plan and time can be flexible. No need to feel guilty if you need to miss occasionally because each time will not hinge on the last week. Kitty Wilson and Pastor Kate are planning....

Start: Visiting who in our area needs prayer, good news, and support.

Middle: A devotional with discussion about today's story. Introductory and digging deeper Bible passages.

Ending: Looking at the Bible readings for the following Sunday with Pastor Kate  
Closing Prayer

## Sugar Creek Bible Camp

**Don't forget** to get your kids and/or family signed up for camp this summer!

2021 Brochures are available in the church lobby. Opportunities abound for families, students K-12, and adults. Check out the opportunities!

[www.sugarcreekbiblecamp.org](http://www.sugarcreekbiblecamp.org).

Grace Lutheran is offering **scholarships** of \$200.00 per student for the half-week sessions and \$400.00 per student for full-week sessions. Contact pastor if you have questions.

In addition to the busy summer schedule, Sugar Creek has weekly activities for all ages and is planning an **adult bus trip** to Branson (Missouri) for the Christmas shows November 8 -12, 2021. Check out the brochure under the bulletin board in the narthex.



# CHURCH CALENDAR

## April 2021

Thursday	April 1	Maundy Thursday Worship, 7:00 pm
Friday	April 2	Good Friday Worship, 7:00 pm
Sunday	April 4	Easter Worship with Holy Communion, 10:00 am * <u>No</u> Sunday School
Saturday	April 10	Spring Clean Up, 9:00 am
Sunday	April 11	Second Sunday of Easter * Sunday School, 9:00 am * Worship, 10:00 am
Wednesday	April 14	Bible Study, 9:30 am * Jr. High Youth, 5:30-7:00 pm (new time) * Grace Council, 7:00 pm
Thursday	April 15	Worship Committee Meeting, 9:00 am
Saturday	April 17	Spring Clean Up (Weather date), 9:00 am
Sunday	April 18	Third Sunday of Easter * Sunday School, 9:00 am * Worship, 10:00 am
Wednesday	April 21	Bible Study, 9:30 am * Altar Care Training, 10:45 am * Jr. High Youth, 5:30 pm
Sunday	April 25	Fourth Sunday of Easter * Sunday School, 9:00 am * Worship, 10:00 am with Holy Communion
Wednesday	April 28	Bible Study, 9:30 am * Jr. High Youth, 5:30 pm
Sunday	May 2	Fifth Sunday of Easter * Sunday School, 9:00 am * Worship, 10:00 am



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**CARE TEAM ACTIVITY**





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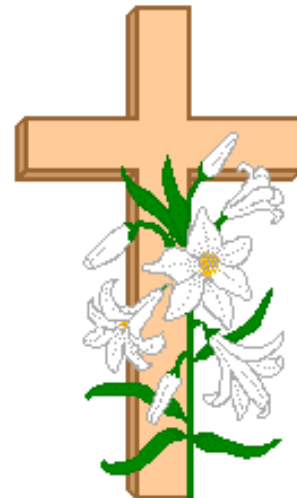
### Mission Statement

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 May  
 Carillon April 26