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Dear Friends,

Recently I wrote an article about the “unique position” of the small town/rural church – a position that allows it to perform some extremely important ministries. One of these ministries has to do with the “continuing education” of their pastors.

Since small town/rural congregations are often served by pastors who are in their first position after seminary, those congregations play a vital role in their pastor's development. By providing some continuing education through “real life” experiences that the seminary can only “talk about,” a pastor's first call gives him/her valuable experience and helps him/her become a better pastor. That is your unique opportunity with Kate.

Moreover it is often said that a pastor's “first call” will either make him/her or break him/her. Again many “first calls” are to small town/rural parishes. Thus, a supportive church atmosphere can go a long way at making that pastor; whereas a non-supportive or argumentative atmosphere can often “break” him or her. Again, you – the people of Grace Church -- are in the unique position to provide a positive church atmosphere wherein Kate can eagerly share her gifts and talents. This will help to not only “make” Kate; but will help to strengthen and develop the entire congregation.

Thus, I would never dismiss the extreme importance of the small town/rural church. In many ways, it is congregations like Grace Church, who provide the basic building blocks for a confident and well-adjusted ministry.

I have enjoyed my time with you over the past year and a half. I hope it has been good for you as well.

I have appreciated your acceptance and support. It is time for you to transfer these to Kate I pray that your journey together will be marked by enthusiasm, hope and joy as you seek to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.

I pray you and your loved ones are well and stay well.

In gratitude,

Larry B.

Thank You

Pastor Larry's last Sunday with Grace will be Sunday August 16th, Pastor Kate will begin Sunday services Sunday August 23rd.

Thank you to Pastor Larry, who has provided Grace with the support and guidance when we needed it. We wish you the best, and look forward to seeing you soon.

Congregation of Grace~

*please
join us*



Have you been in Grace Lately?
We have been working hard upstairs on some small changes to make a big difference!! Pastor Kates' office will be where the nursery room was previously, there is fresh paint and a new floor.



The ordination/installation of Pastor Kate on August 8 at 4pm. We will have limited space inside the church, please expect a parking lot celebration. We will have a zoom set up along with live streaming, so you can participate from home or in the parking lot, if you would like. There will be a reception of cupcakes and bottled water to follow the installation. Please watch our facebook and email for more details and the zoom link.

Give to the next 75 years of **Grace**
Help us guarantee that Grace remains a blessing to our community for generations to come. Make a bequest to Grace Lutheran in your will. For info on how to include Grace Lutheran in your estate planning, contact Marv Reis at 776-4612, Phil Bryson at 482-0103, or Joe Riechers at 732-2998.

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All the People of Grace are Ministers!

In fact, we are all consecrated priests through baptism, as St. Peter in 1 Peter 2[:9] says, "You are a royal priesthood and a priestly kingdom..." Martin Luther

SW Cap Food Pantry is currently not accepting food donations.

- Once they are accepting donations again, We will be in contact to see what their needs are,



With everything going on and continuing our safer at home directive, it's easy to forget our commitment to giving. We encourage you to continue giving, so Grace can continue to be a light for our members and community.

Memorial Gifts Fund

To give a gift in honor or memory of your loved one, contact Judy Boll at 214-4265
Linda Considine at 776-2410

Be sure to like and follow Grace on Facebook for updates.

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Invite others that may not be a part of our page yet and share information with members who may not have facebook or those who may not receive our email updates. Have email and not getting emails from Grace? Send a request to be added! gracedar@centurytel.net



Newsletter Deadline

Items may be submitted for July 2020
Carillon by August 23rd.

We at Grace can continue to be the light for everyone during this trying time. Lift one another up, this is one of the best ways we can help each other get through difficult times. Take time to find ways to be the light at a safe distance.

Some ideas how YOU can be a light.

- Call members who you know may need help.
- Deliver groceries or complete errands for members who may not be able to do it for themselves.
- Send cards, letters or pictures to one another to remind everyone we are not alone in this and provide a pick me up.

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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



August Schedule

August 8th at 4:00pm Ordination/installation for Pastor Kate. (watch for more updates)

August 16th Pastor Larry's last Sunday with us before Pastor Kate starts.

August 18th Pastor Kate Starts.

August 23rd Pastor Kate's First Sunday service.

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