

May 31, 2026

Grace Lutheran Ministry Minutes

Grief Support Class is Starting at Grace!

As we look to serve the congregational care needs across all life stages at Grace, and in the broader Fairmont community, your pastors will again be offering a grief class starting on June 9. We welcome you to join our 8-week course by Julie Yarbrough entitled *Beyond the Broken Heart: A Journey Through grief*. Pastor Allison and Pastor Cole will lead our group which will be limited to 7 more participants and open to the community. Dates are Tuesdays at Noon from June 9 - July 28. There is a fee of \$20 to cover the cost of participant materials. If this is a financial hardship, please see one of the pastors. To register, please contact the Grace Lutheran Church office.



Praise in the Park!

Join us for worship at 6:30pm on Wednesdays in Sylvania Park. Communion is a part of our outdoor worship services too. We hope you will invite a friend to worship this summer season at Grace!

Baptisms in the Park

Praise in the Park will again meet at the Sylvania Park band shell for a half an hour praise service on Wednesdays at 6:30pm. Pastor Allison and Pastor Cole will be available for families who would like a summer outdoor baptism in this casual outdoor setting. For more information, please contact the church office.



Hot Meals on Wheels



Grace is excited to help our local Hot Meals on Wheels from June 16th through 30th! Please prayerfully consider volunteering your time by delivering prepared meals to our community members in need. Please sign up by using the link on our Facebook page. Thank you!

**Readings for Sunday, May 31: First Reading: Genesis 1:1—2:4a,
Second Reading: Psalm 8, Gospel Reading: Matthew 28:16-20**



Lunch at the Lake!

Invite your friends and bring a sack lunch for a time of fellowship at Gomsrud Park. We will meet at noon, the third Tuesday of the month, through October for a devotion and fellowship in God's beautiful creation. Hope to see you there!

Take Me Out to the Ballgame

Everyone is invited for an outing at the Mankato Moon Dogs on Sunday, May 31st. The game time is 5:05pm. We have 7 tickets left and each one costs \$12.00 which includes your assigned seat and a hot dog meal. Please purchase your tickets in the church office. Checks can be made out to Grace Lutheran Church with Moondogs in the memo. Please contact Pastor Cole if you are interested in carpooling with someone. We look forward to a fun night in God's creation together!



Men's Breakfast!



Next Men's Breakfast is this Monday, June 1st. Join the guys at Grace for a devotion and breakfast at the Ranch in Fairmont, 7AM, and invite your friends. Come for a time of fellowship and discussion!



SAVE THE DATE :
JUNE 15 – 18, 2026

LOCATION :
GRACE LUTHERAN

TIME : 8AM – NOON

OTHER DETAILS:

GLC is once again teaming up with Ingham Lake Okoboji for VBS! Children 4 years old through those entering 6th grade are welcome!

Sunday, May 31st

9:30AM Summer Worship

Monday, June 1st

7:00AM Men's Breakfast at The Ranch

9:00AM Staff Meeting

1:00PM Mary's Circle

5:30PM CYF Team Meeting

Tuesday, June 2nd

9:00AM Sewing Circle

9:00AM Common Threads

1:00PM Prayer Meeting

1:30PM Women's Bible Study

2:00PM Worship Service Aired

Wednesday, June 3rd

6:30PM Praise in the Park: Sylvania Park

Thursday, June 4th

9:00AM Sarah's Circle

9:00AM Women of the Cloth Sewing

Friday, June 5th

Saturday, June 6th

Sunday, June 7th

9:30AM Summer Worship: Baptism

PRAYERS

Members and Loved Ones: Jeanette Nelson, Harley Jordan, Dawn Potthoff, Gladys Peterson, Carol Myhre, Carolyn Kryzer, Steph Johnson, Karen Meier, Parker Lintelman, Kathleen Ferguson, MaryAnn Kehrberg, Jean Nimz, Nathan Marks, Karen, Delphine Hanson, Jon VonBank, Leah Edward, Elayne Hested, Loren Dunham, Leroy Sandberg, Amber Elliot, Adeline, Kaitlyn, Melissa Carlson, Mark Brown, Carol Madsen, Carolyn Bird, Julie Andrews, Cassie Lind Nielsen, Joyce Eisenmenger.

Sympathy for the family and friends of: Bette Stevens

Ongoing Concerns: For people to see Jesus in the face of their neighbor, those affected by the ongoing conflict in the Holy Land, for a revitalization of our faith community and re-connecting with one another as we enter into more familiar times, for our pastors and church staff that they may hear and bear witness to the Holy Spirit at work in our midst, for the Spirit's leading in our ministries within and outside the walls of the church, for continued generosity of people during these difficult economic times as prices of food and gas rise and cupboards are bare, for an end to racial injustice, for peace in our cities, and for our military and police officers who put their own lives on the line every day, and healing for our communities and world from the anger, division, and war that so many people are experiencing.

OUTREACH

2026 Stewardship Stats

\$526,496	2026 Annual Budget
\$95,305	YTD Income, P&L report: Jan 1 - May 26
\$8,778	Collected May 19 - May 26
\$10,350	Needed Weekly to meet 2026 budget

FAIRMONT receipts only.



\$71,200 #49



\$148,000 on #15

Ministry Assistants for May- 8:30AM Traditional Service			Ministry Assistants for May- 9:30AM Summer Service		
	Sunday, May 3	Sunday, May 10	Sunday, May 17	Sunday, May 24	Sunday, May 31
Communion Preparer	Kris Head Peggy Jones	Nancy Backer Kristen Bressler	Sharon Elliot Jennifer Moore	Brenda & Randy Lubenow	Becky & Dave Johnson
Communion Server	Marian Holland Kris Head	Kris Head Peggy Jones	Karen & Allen Struck	Nancy Backer Kristen Bressler	Deb & Brian Roggow
Lector	DeeAnne Helfritz	Ben Jordan	Debbie Morris	Ben Jordan	Abby Ehlert
Sound Tech	Justin Schmidt	Jolene Rosol	Mark Vogelsang	Enos Breitbarth	Blake Potthoff
Slide Tech	Justiss/Amber Hansen	Amber/Justiss Hansen	Louise Hendricks	—	Cory Klanderud
Ushers	Curtis & Kristin Bressler	Curtis & Kristin Bressler	Curtis & Kristin Bressler, Harry Brumbaugh, Mark Morris, Mark Paskey, Joel Teskey	Curtis & Kristin Bressler, Harry Brumbaugh, Mark Morris, Mark Paskey, Joel Teskey	Curtis & Kristin Bressler, Harry Brumbaugh, Mark Morris, Mark Paskey, Joel Teskey

If you are unable to serve on your day, please find a replacement and ask them to let the head usher, Brian Huebert, know when they arrive. If you can't find a replacement, please email Brian at bluebert_ford@yahoo.com.

Ministry Assistants for May - 10:45AM Contemporary Service					
	Sunday, May 3	Sunday, May 10			
Communion Preparer	Connie & Bruce Donnelly	Becky & Dave Johnson	—	—	—
Communion Server	Jane Reiman Del Prescott	Enos Breitbarth Becky Johnson	—	—	—
Lector	Abby Ehlert	Joice Forster	—	—	—
Sound Tech	Amber Hansen	Louise Hendricks	—	—	—
Slide Tech	Cory Klanderud	Enos Breitbarth	—	—	—
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