

April 12, 2026

Grace Lutheran Ministry Minutes



Congregational Care Coffee **TODAY!**

Today we will visit on our homebound visitation and communion ministries, and our grief card ministry, how they are going, and ideas for growing this outreach within our congregation. All current volunteers and those interested in learning more are welcome! We will meet today, Sunday, April 12, in the chapel between the worship services.

God's Grace is Amazing Day: Sunday, May 17!

*God's Grace is Amazing Day on Sunday, May 17th! Worship 9:30am with BLAST kids singing. Then various service projects for all ages. **Please wear your yellow shirt on this day!***

Projects in the Fellowship Hall

- Assembling bingo prize bags for local senior living communities
- Assembling and delivering bread to our neighbors around Grace
- Work in our community garden
- Assembling birthday kits for local pantries and blessing bags for Bravo Zulu house.
- Painting crosses

Outdoor projects

- Mulch work at Charolette Park
- Mulch and clean up at Sylvania Park
- Painting green Disabled American Veteran bins by Ace
- Bring rakes and gloves



Picnic Lunch

Following the projects, please join everyone for a picnic lunch at noon at the church.

**Readings for Sunday, April 12: First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-32,
Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9, Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31**

Altar Guild Appreciation Meeting!



Sunday, April 26 between the services, all communion preparers and servers are invited to the chapel for our annual appreciation meeting. We thank you for your service in setting the Lord's table and serving this special Holy Meal. We would love to get your thoughts on how the year went and any recommendations for the future. Please see Del Prescott with any questions. Many thanks!

Confirmation Bible Camp Fundraiser



Everyone is invited to come and join us at the Fairmont Pizza Ranch on Tuesday, May 5th 5pm to 8pm as our youth will be helping in the dining area. We will receive 10% of the proceeds and a tip jar will also be available. This is a fundraiser for Confirmation Bible Camp August 2nd through 5th at Good Earth Village in Spring Valley, MN this summer and ELCA National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis June 28th through July 2nd 2027.

Celebration Night!

WHO: BLAST & Confirmation students, along with their parents.

DETAILS: Wednesday, May 13
BLAST 5:30pm to 6:25pm in the sanctuary
Confirmation 6:30pm to 7:45pm

WHAT TO EXPECT: Recap of the program year, registration for VBS & 2026-2027 BLAST & Confirmation, and sign-up for confirmation camp.

This is the last Wednesday for BLAST and Confirmation for the school year. ***Parents, please plan to attend*** with your child. (BLAST KIDS WILL ALSO SING FOR GOD'S GRACE IS AMAZING DAY ON MAY 17th)



Upcoming Meals for Open Door:

April 15: Scalloped Potatoes
April 22: Meatballs



Sunday, April 12th

- 8:30AM Traditional Worship
- 9:35AM Adult Ed.
- 9:35AM Congregational Care Coffee
- 10:45AM Contemporary Worship

Monday, April 13th

- 7:00AM Men’s Breakfast: The Ranch
- 9:00AM Staff Meeting
- 10:00AM Lakeview Senior Worship
- 5:30PM CYF Team Meeting
- 6:00PM Evening CBS
- 6:30PM Shalom Circle

Tuesday, April 14th

- 9:00AM Sewing Circle
- 12:00PM Cup of Hope Grief Group
- 1:00PM Prayer Meeting
- 1:30PM Women’s Bible Study
- 2:00PM Worship Service Aired
- 5:30PM Outreach/Fellowship/ Service Team Meetings
- 6:30PM Stewardship Meeting

Wednesday, April 15th

Ways of Grace Submission Deadline

- 9:00AM Women’s CBS
- 4:30PM Open Door Community Meal
- 5:15PM Chancel Choir Practice
- 5:30PM BLAST
- 6:30PM WOW- Worship on Wednesday
- 6:30PM Confirmation
- 7:00PM High School Class

Thursday, April 16th

- 9:00AM Women of the Cloth Sewing

Friday, April 17th

Saturday, April 18th

Sunday, April 19th

- 8:30AM Traditional Worship
- 9:35AM Adult Ed.
- 10:45AM Contemporary Worship: Baptism
- 11:45AM Council Meeting
- 2:00PM The Joy Collective Bible Study

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, Maynard Johnson, Sue Langford, Melissa Carlson, Mark Brown, Carol Madsen, Carolyn Bird, Julie Andrews, Ilene Reiter, Jana Nawrocki.

Sympathy for the family and friends of: Susie Davis

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
\$138,505	YTD Income, P&L report: Jan 1 - April 7
\$12,738	Collected March 31 - April 7
\$9,948	Needed Weekly to meet 2026 budget

FAIRMONT receipts only.



\$199,000 #48



\$132,200 on #15

Ministry Assistants for April - 8:30AM Traditional Service

	Easter Sunday, April 5	Sunday, April 12	Sunday, April 19	Sunday, April 26
Communion Preparer	Sharon Elliot Jennifer Moore	Kris Head Peggy Jones	Nancy Backer Kristen Bressler	Sharon Elliot Jennifer Moore
Communion Server	Ben Jordan Mary Kotewa	Joyce Eisenmenger Kris Head	Marian Holland Peggy Jones	Allen & Karen Struck
Lector	DeeAnne Helfritz	Ben Jordan	Allen Struck	Scott Drever
Sound Tech	Mark Vogelsang	Jolene Rosol	Justin Schmidt	Mark Vogelsang
Ushers	Dan Kehrberg Wayne Olson Rod Palmquist Roger Voss	Dan Kehrberg Wayne Olson Rod Palmquist Roger Voss	Dan Kehrberg Wayne Olson Rod Palmquist Roger Voss	Dan Kehrberg Wayne Olson Rod Palmquist Roger Voss

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 bhuebert_ford@yahoo.com. Thank you!

Ministry Assistants for April - 10:45AM Contemporary Service

	Easter Sunday, April 5	Sunday, April 12	Sunday, April 19	Sunday, April 26
Communion Preparer	Becky & Dave Johnson	Ardel Prescott Jane Reiman	Elayne Baumgart Coleen Ehlert	Brenda & Randy Lubenow
Communion Server	Becky Johnson Enos Breitbarth	Connie Donnelly Joice Forster	Elayne Baumgart Abby Ehlert	Brian & Deb Roggow
Lector	Deb Roggow	Brian Roggow	Amber Hansen	Deb Morris
Sound Tech	Louise Hendricks	Enos Breitbarth	Blake Potthoff	Pam Krill
Slide Tech		Louise Hendricks	Enos Breitbarth	Louise Hendricks
Ushers	Josh Ensrud Darrel Kraehler Paul Seibert Jane Reiman	Josh Ensrud Darrel Kraehler Paul Seibert Jane Reiman	Josh Ensrud Darrel Kraehler Paul Seibert Jane Reiman	Josh Ensrud Darrel Kraehler Paul Seibert Jane Reiman

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