

# grace notes

May & June 2019

## Just 1 More Step

### 10K Run - 5K Walk/Run - Kids Fun Run - Hog Roast

This year Grace Lutheran will once again be hosting a 5k event at Bunker Hills Regional Park. The event includes a 5k walk, 5k run, 10k run and kids fun run. Proceeds for this race will be given to World Wide Village to support the City on a Hill project in Haiti.

This year.....a few changes & improvements!

**Reduced Registration Fees** - Registration fees are cut in half from previous years!

**Special deals with paper registration** - We are offering a buy 4, get 1 registration free discount for anyone who registers with a paper registration, paying with check or cash. Paper registrations can be found at the Welcome Desk at Grace.

**Sleep-in Option** - Maybe you're not a walker or runner, maybe you'll be out of town, or busy on event day, or maybe you just want to sleep in on Saturday morning...well we have a great way for you to still support our event. This year we have added a sleep-in option to the event. You can even get an event t-shirt! Register for sleep in option can be found on the race website.

**Hog Roast** - Stick around after the race for this mouthwatering addition. We will be serving delicious BBQ pork and turkey sandwiches with fixings. Tickets for the hog roast are only \$10 for adults, \$6 for youth between 6-13, and kids 5

and under are free. We hope you can stay to enjoy the food and live entertainment. Hog roast tickets can be purchased with event registration, or individually at [www.just1morestep.org](http://www.just1morestep.org).

**Exclusive Apparel** - Anyone who raises an additional \$100 or more will be eligible to receive this special item. Athletic zip-up jacket photos are included at [just1morestep.org](http://just1morestep.org). Fundraising and/or donation can be set up along with the event registration.

**Event is Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at Bunker Hills Regional Park. Packet pick-up begins at 9am.**

- \* 10k run at 10:15am
- \* 5k run at 10:30am
- \* 5k walk at 10:45am
- \* Kids Fun Run at 11:15am
- \* Hog Roast at 11:30am

We would love your support for our event. If you're not a walker or runner, please consider the sleep-in option, hog roast or volunteer. We can be found at [www.just1morestep.org](http://www.just1morestep.org) or on Facebook at [just1more5k](https://www.facebook.com/just1more5k).



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*If you would like to contact any of the Vision Board members, please visit [graceandover.org](http://graceandover.org) and click on leaders.*

## Vision Board Members

Scott Christensen (Pres.)	Alden Riley
Johnna Rohmer-Hirt (V.P.)	Dave Trapp
Vickie Meade (Secretary)	Carla Renner
Chad Hadler	

## Call Committee

Jan Anderson, John Anderson, Jeremy Mattke,  
Holly Dodds, Joe Jackson, Lori Ackerson,  
Frances Fernandez, Charlie Wold



## Annual Congregation Meeting May 18/19

Will take place at the conclusion of each Worship Service. The purpose of this meeting is to elect new Vision Board members to replace Scott Christensen and Chad Hadler whose terms are up. Ballots will be included in your bulletins.

## PRAYERS

### We keep in our prayers the newly baptized:

Emma Carol Roseberg  
Harlow Marie Olson  
Hazel Jean Olson  
Julia Kathleen Otterstetter  
Harper EllenAnn Blossom  
Charlotte Joy Lewis  
Connelly Nels Rymer

### We keep in our prayers those in need of healing:

Lindy Richards, Terry Protivinsky, Mark Parrish, Landen, Kiley Berry, Patricia Walstad, Sheldon Puska, Verlyn Wenndt, Arden Kirkendall, Marissa Brunsting, Gyslene, Walter Morphew, Van Bakko, Nancy Klein, Bob Hutchison, Kathy Lovik, Lynda Leonard, Ralph & Colleen Wernimont, Tom & Mary Taillefer;

### We keep in our hearts and prayers the families with recent loss of:

Charlie Thrane, Jim Phillips, Carol Leverentz  
Allen Montgomery, Harlan Pahl



*Thank you for baptizing my daughter, Emma Roseberg. That day was so special to our family and I loved how she was walked around the church. Baby Emma LOVES her quilt! It is so beautiful and we are very thankful.*

*Grace means so much to our community and to our family. Thank you, Jamie & Adam Roseberg*

## Vision Board Minutes

## Vision Board Message

Vision Board Minutes for Tuesday, April 16, 2019

The VB meeting convened at 6:40 pm on April 16, 2019 at Grace Lutheran Church with all board members in attendance. The minutes for the March 26, 2019 were approved with two corrections.

The VB Nominating Committee is contacting potential candidates for 2 open positions. Chad Hadler's and Scott Christensen's terms are complete and Vickie Meade is completing Lynn Noren's term. Biographies will be available 2 weeks prior to our Annual Meeting for membership consideration.

Kate Morphew distributed the March 2019 financial reports. Grace shows a positive income for the month of March and most expenses are in line with the budget. Snow plowing is over budget and will continue to be due to late spring snow storms and projected snow removal for November and December. The final percentages for the 2018 benevolence contributions were reported and distributed as follows:

• Grace 4Rakai	\$2,163.47
• Grace 2 Haiti	\$2,163.47
• Family Promise	\$2,163.47
• Hope 4 Youth	\$3,317.30
• Sand Creek Elem. School	\$1,153.87
• Stepping Stone Emergency Housing	\$1,730.77
• Feed My Starving Children	\$1,730.77

All the personal faith stories shared over the Wednesday Lenten Services were greatly appreciated by the congregation, VB and staff.

The Call Committee will be conducting the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of interviews with 3 candidates during the first 2 weeks of May. The VB is preparing for the Call Committee's final nomination.

The Outreach Ministries Fair was deemed a success due to the hard work of Debbie Jorgens and the representatives for the various ministries. The ministry booklet will be given out to new members and available at the Welcome Center.

The meeting was closed in prayer and thanksgiving.

Submitted by Vickie Meade, Vision Board Secretary

### **"God goes to the dogs?"**

Being on vacation usually affords one the opportunity to read for enjoyment. While on vacation recently, I did just that. Often I will ask my wife for a book recommendation, as she is an avid reader. She recommended the book "Rescuing Finley" by Dan Walsh. One of the characters in the book is a young woman, Amy, who is in prison for robbery. Because of good behavior, Amy is nominated to be part of a prison program where she works with the dog, Finley. Finley then becomes a support dog for a war veteran. Amy professes her faith in Finley,

*"It was like God knew I needed him, at just the right moment. I know this part'll sound kind of crazy. But I think God made dogs different than other animals and gave them a special gift. Some days, I swear I feel God's love coming right through Finley, straight into my heart. For the first time in my life—just being around him—I think I understand what unconditional love and acceptance feels like, or something very close to it. Finley likes me regardless of my problems. He gives his love away for free, every day, without judgment, without prejudice or a moment's hesitation. One look in his eyes and you can tell, he doesn't care about anything you've done, or any of the stupid mistakes you've made. Whatever's wrong with you, even whatever you think is wrong with you, Finley doesn't care."*

This is so true about God and dogs. We are so lucky to have a God that is so forgiving and accepting of us no matter who we are. We in turn should live a life of acceptance and forgiveness towards others in a dog sort of way.

After reading this book I definitely see my own dog in a different light and I am thankful for a God that sees me as I am.

I just returned from the April Vision Board meeting. The Vision Board is working hard to make this time of transition go as smooth as possible. We wrestle with the bumps in the road and make decisions that are in the best interest of all members at Grace. Please continue with your prayers for the Vision Board.

Submitted by David Trapp, Vision Board Member



## Update from Pastor Bruce

## New Chalices and Patens

### Children's Ministry Update

The Children's Ministry Team (CMT) at Grace has stepped up to oversee and support Grace's children's programs. Members of this team are Jennifer Bobbe (chair), Mandi DeGrote, Breanne Foschi, Kendra Mattke, Jillian Newlin, and Deb Shepard. (Johnna Rohmer-Hirt serves as the Vision Board liaison to the team. I serve as the staff liaison.) Prior to her departure, Kristin Lowe (recent Director of Children's Ministry), carefully arranged things to complete the final weeks of *Sunday School* and *Kids Night Out*. The CMT is overseeing this. The *Resurrection Garden* family event on Sunday, March 24 was successful, with Kristin present. The *Easter Eggstravaganza* family event was held on Palm Sunday, April 14, after Kristin had departed. Spearheaded by the CMT and supported by many volunteers, the *Eggstravaganza* went well and was enjoyed by many children and families. (And the Easter Bunny was even there!) First Communion instruction was given by Pastor Hahn on Saturday, April 27. Children received their First Communion on Sunday, April 28. The CMT continues to meet and will be supporting future children & family activities.

Members of the search committee to hire a new children's ministry staff person(s) are Jennifer Bobbe (CMT Chair), Johnna Rohmer-Hirt (Vision Board), Kate Morphew (Church Administrator) and me. We are currently working on the job description and whether it will become one part-time position or remain two part-time positions. We plan to post the position(s) soon. While *InterServe Ministries* (who provide interim children and youth ministry staff) does not have anyone available for Grace at this time, it's possible they may in the future.

Cultivating the spiritual growth of our children and families remains important to many at Grace, including the Vision Board and me. If you have any questions or concerns about children's ministry, please feel free to direct them to Jennifer Bobbe (CMT chair), Johnna Hirt, or myself.

Meanwhile, I am very grateful to the Children's Ministry Team for the important leadership they're providing. Please pray for them and for guidance for our children's ministry.

*Pastor Bruce Arnevik, Interim Pastor*



On Palm Sunday weekend, we began using new Communion chalices and patens, created for Grace by Twin Cities potter, Erik Wilson. The chalices have two separate chambers, allowing for both wine and grape juice to be contained in one vessel. The small patens are used specifically for gluten-free wafers.

### Communion Assistant Training

**Wednesday, May 29 – 6:30-7:00 PM**

**OR**

**Sunday, June 9 – 11:15-11:45 AM**

### In the Sanctuary

**Communion Assistants** deliver the promise, "*This is the body of Christ, given for you. This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.*" It is Jesus' gift for all people across time and space and yet very specific and personal for the one to whom you speak each time. We believe that Jesus is fully present in the meal with forgiveness, new life, and salvation. Blessing others with this profound truth as they receive the sacrament can be a powerful spiritual experience.

All who currently serve as Communion Assistants are asked to come to a training session on either May 29<sup>th</sup> or June 9<sup>th</sup> in the sanctuary. If you are interested in joining this important ministry or simply want to learn more, please join us!

## Women's, Men's & OK@Play Ministries

### MEN'S & Women's MINISTRY

Hey, Ladies!

Spring is here and summer is right around the corner. The Women's Ministry Team at Grace is trying something new and we hope you will join us!

#### Girls' Night Out

**Monthly Thursdays beginning May 2**  
**5:30-7:30pm**

#### Davanni's in Coon Rapids

a new monthly connection opportunity for women of all ages. We hope to come together in fellowship. We will be meeting for a relaxing night away from your regular scheduled and hectic Thursday. Please mark your calendars. Feel free to bring your friends!

#### Women's Opportunities

W.O.W - Wednesdays at 9:30am  
Bible Study on Mondays at 6:30pm  
Ruth Circle - 2nd Wednesdays at 12:30pm  
Quilters - Wednesdays at 9:00am  
Grace Quilters 2 - Last Mondays at 6:30pm

#### Men's Opportunities

BWW Connection - 1st Tuesdays @ 6:30 pm  
Men's Gab & Grub - 3rd Sat. at Baker's Square 8am  
Bible Studies on Mon. 6:30am or Sat. 8am

### OK @ Play

OK @ PLAY (Old Kids at Play) is alive and kicking! We are a group of Grace members and others connected to Grace, that meets for fellowship and connection. In the past we have played Bingo, miniature golfed in the dark, cruised on a paddle board boat on the St. Croix, attended music concerts and theatrical productions. We have also had potluck dinners and wine tasting. Please consider joining us for these upcoming events. Sign up on the blue sheets, gracelink, or by contacting the church office. Questions may be directed to Deb Stang (763)427-3252, Ann Lange (763)438-5623, or Mary Jo Trapp (612)743-1292

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

**May 21 ~**

#### Muddy Cow & Feed My Starving Children

4:30-6pm Eat as a group

6-7:30pm FMSC

133 Coon Rapids Blvd NW

Coon Rapids, MN 55433

#### What to do:

Sign up for eating at Muddy Cow through gracelink so we have a head count.

Sign up for packing food at FMSC through the blue signup sheet or calling Kris Miller.

If you can't do both, come to one!



**June 18 ~**

#### Headflyer Brewing

Sloppy Joe's, Beer and Brewhouse  
Tour



**July 13 ~**

#### Low and Joe Jackson's home

Social get together (watch for details)



## Children's Ministries

### May 5<sup>th</sup> ~ Family Worship Sunday

Children will begin in Worship Services with their families and then be dismissed to SONday School after the Children's Sermon.

### May 19<sup>th</sup>

Last Day of SONday School  
5th Graders will bridge to Catechism during worship.

### Baptism Class

**Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 am**

Baptism is an important step in the life of a family and their congregation. We will discuss how God is at work in baptism during the Baptism Class at Grace. We will also share insights to help

you as you raise your child to know and love God by creating experiences and keeping God in the center of your everyday life. Register online through GraceLink, contact Kris Miller at [krism@graceandover.org](mailto:krism@graceandover.org) or call the church office to sign up.

Baptisms may be scheduled during most services. Contact Kris Miller at 763-421-6520 to confirm availability.



### Children's Summer Worship Bible Time

While we enjoy the sunny days of summer, it is also an opportunity to worship with the children of Grace. Beginning June 2, children will be in church with their families, come forward for the Children's Message and then they will be dismissed for a Bible lesson in the Fellowship Hall. Children will return to worship before Communion.

\*We need many enthusiastic, willing hearts and hands to help with this adventure. If you can help, please contact [Jen Bobbe](mailto:jbobbe3@gmail.com) at [jbobbe3@gmail.com](mailto:jbobbe3@gmail.com). We will not have Summer Bible Time on July 7th and Labor Day Weekend.

*Thank you to all the volunteers that have helped in SONday School, KNO and children's events this year!*

### Summer Nursery

Help is needed. Nursery this summer, will be offered at 8:30 and 10am on Sunday. We have a fantastic group of volunteers who have served so faithfully all school year.

Please show your

appreciation of our

volunteers by signing up for a service. If families could sign up for one worship service, what a blessing that would be! To be a blessing, sign up on the blue sheets, or the signup sheet outside the Nursery.



**Nursery Volunteers**

### Vacation Bible School

The decision regarding VBS this summer was entrusted to the Children's Ministry Team (CMT). Following their recent decision and announcement that there will be no VBS this summer, there has been some misunderstanding and misinformation. I would like to provide accurate information. Following the resignations of both the Children's Ministry Director and the Director of Nursery/Preschool Ministries, the CMT wrestled for two weeks with the question of having VBS. While the team *wanted* to have the program this year, their final decision not to have VBS was based on two critical factors:

1. Grace has no paid children's ministry staff in place to spearhead this program at this late date; and
2. There are at least five veteran volunteer leaders who traditionally invest many hours in VBS who are unavailable this summer.

The CMT decided it would be better to take this summer off and bring VBS back in 2020, rather than risk running a program that might encounter difficulties and discourage some families and Grace volunteers from returning in 2020. The Vision Board fully understands and supports this decision. While we will miss VBS this summer, we look forward to the return of VBS next summer!

*– Scott Christensen, Vision Board President*



## Youth Ministries



**June 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> 8am - 5pm**

All proceeds will help Grace youth in going to Luther Point Bible Camp and the Youth Mission Trips this summer. You can drop off your gently used items beginning May 6<sup>th</sup> in Portable 2. **\*No drop off on Memorial Day.\*NO electronics/TV's/computers/monitors/exercise equipment/mattresses and bed frames.** Large items will need to be approved by Tom Baker prior to drop off.



### High School Graduation Recognition Brunch

**June 2nd ~ 9am**

Graduates and their families are invited to brunch in celebration of you! Please RSVP to Kristi at [kristil@graceandover.org](mailto:kristil@graceandover.org)

### Class of 2019

#### High School Graduates:

Lucy Anderson, Cole Andrzczyzak  
Lauren Bastian, Noah Berglund  
Cassie Clarstrom, Montana Cochran  
Peyton Converse, Tessa Cregan  
Paige Erickson, Nathaniel Gfroerer  
Ryan Hagle, Megan Hansen  
Payton Johnson, Sydney Kolb  
Makayla Krohnberg, Haley Reuter  
Kelsey Russell, Madison Schaefer  
Cara Shepard, Jack Slavik  
Lily Sperlich, Cole Wiles  
Marissa Winterlin

*List of known graduates from our database. We apologize if we missed anyone.*

### Celebrating Confirmation

**May 19  
at 2pm & 4pm**



Laurie Clarstrom, Daniel Buchanan, Dillon Buchanan,  
Michael Anderson, William Vaillant, Micah Allen  
Audrey Mayer, Nathan Kosek, Anna Kamnikar,  
Sophia Schmoll, Gabrielle Perrier, Logan Myers  
Shane Rademacher, Samantha Butterfield  
Bailey Kostick, Justin Gerdes, Taylor Kjeldsen,  
Dylan Blasé, Kyle Blase, Kaylin Jacobs  
Noah Martin, Matt Steiner, Joseph Morphew,  
Katie Evans, Harrison Wampole, Emma Heath  
Cora Langmade, Samantha Lucas  
Lucia Hadsall, Matthew Chambers  
Jenna Smith, Dylan Kolb, Rhys Carlson

## Summer Stretch

Current 5th - 8th graders

Participate this summer in a dynamic ministry that stretches your faith and your friendships here at church!

**Every Thursday 9:00am-5:00pm (June 20th - Aug. 8th )**

Mornings are spent participating in service projects and learning how we can serve God and our neighbor. Afternoons we spend time doing a fun recreational activity and a Bible Study!



For more information and to register go to:  
[www.graceandover.org](http://www.graceandover.org)

## Ministry News



To all who came to the Mission Fair the weekend of April 6-7, we extend a heartfelt **THANK YOU!** It was wonderful to have you come to learn about – and celebrate – the many ways the people of Grace are living out God’s mission in the world! If you were not able to attend, please stop by the Welcome Center or the church office to pick up a “Grace Lutheran Church Mission Directory” which provides information about each of our 15 global and local Outreach Ministries.

Each team leader’s contact information is included in case you’re interested in joining their ministry or simply want to learn more!

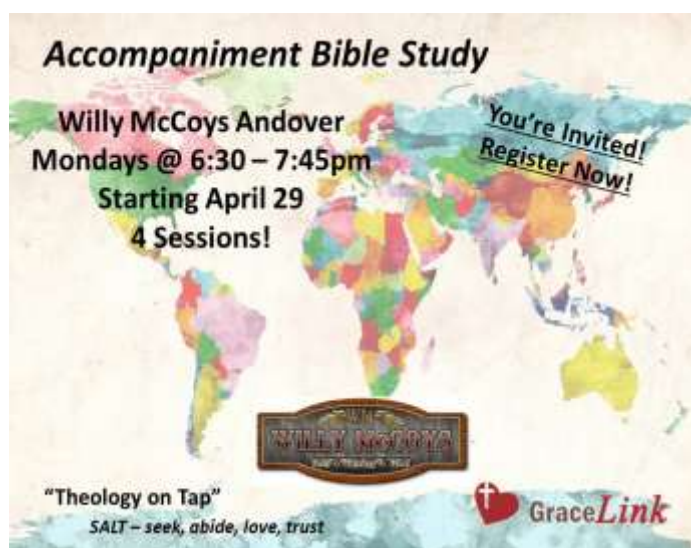


If you want to be happy for an hour  
GO WATCH TV  
If you want to be happy for a day,  
GO TO AN AMUSEMENT PARK  
If you want to be happy for a lifetime,  
GO OUT AND HELP OTHERS.

### **Theology on Tap: Accompaniment Bible Study Mondays – April 29, May 6, 13, & 20 6:30-7:45 PM Willy McCoy’s – 13655 Martin St. NW, Andover**

Please join us for another “Theology on Tap” as we use the ELCA Accompaniment model to help us see God’s mission in the world from a new perspective. Through Scripture and conversation we’ll see that our stories and the stories of others are not divided by boundaries, but are reconciled within *God’s story*. Accompaniment bears fruit when we truly walk the road together and endeavor to live out the Accompaniment Values of mutuality, inclusivity, vulnerability, empowerment and sustainability.

Come and enjoy a favorite beverage and meal as we journey together over these four weeks! A copy of the Accompaniment Bible Study Guide will be provided. Please register on GraceLink so we have an idea of how many to expect. But know that you are WELCOME whether you have registered or not!





## Upcoming Opportunities



### Red Cross Blood Drive Tuesday, May 14 1pm - 6pm

*One car accident victim  
can use as many as 100  
units of blood.*

You can help!

Call 1-800-RED-CROSS

(1-800-733-2767) or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter Grace Andover to schedule an appointment.



**SATURDAYS: Shifts vary (11:30 AM or 2:00 PM)**  
May 11, June 22, July 20, August 17, September 21,  
and October 26

#### MARATHON PACK:

Friday, November 15 – 6:00 and 8:00 PM  
Saturday, November 16 – 9:00 and 11:30 AM; 2:00  
and 7:00 PM

**TO REGISTER:** For all packing sessions, please register directly on the *Feed My Starving Children* website: [www.fmssc.org](http://www.fmssc.org)  
(Search for Grace Lutheran – Kris Miller.)

### The Grace Pastoral Care Team

Is in need of a few more people to visit and bring communion once a month to our sick and home-bound. You will be assigned to one person and will visit them until they are able to return to church. It's an easy, and very rewarding way to serve others in need by blessing them with a visit. Sign up on the blue sheets or call Kris Miller in the church office for more information.



### Farmer's Market Tuesdays May 7-October 29 2:00-6:00pm

Come out and support our local farmer's by purchasing their fresh produce, plants and of course the always popular kettle corn.



### Blessing of the Bikes

Sunday, June 2nd, at the conclusion of the 10am service on Grace parking lot. All are welcome to bring their bike, trike, motorcycle or scooter to be blessed for a safe riding season of travel and recreation.



### Sunday Fellowship Time

We are looking for Ministry Teams or groups willing to host a Fellowship Time following worship on Sundays over the summer. This includes serving drinks and treats following each service from Memorial Day - Labor Day, excluding the first Sunday of each month (those dates are already spoken for). Contact [grace@graceandover.org](mailto:grace@graceandover.org) to signup to

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### GRACE 4 RAKAI MINISTRY TEAM NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The Grace 4 Rakai Ministry team is teaming up with the Quilters2 group to tie quilts this summer! The Quilters2 group makes beautiful quilts all year long that are sent to Rakai Uganda. We need help finishing these quilts and YOU CAN HELP! If you know how to tie your shoes – you are qualified! No quilting experience needed!

We will be having 2 sessions this summer that you can help with. Fun and refreshments provided. No need to RSVP- just show up – kids who know how to tie are welcome too!

Contact Stacy Surratt at 317-506-6362 with questions.

**Wednesday ~ June 19 from 6:30-8pm**

**Tuesday ~ July 16 from 6:30-8pm**



### Prayer Gatherings

Prayer Gatherings are held monthly on the third Tuesday of the month, 7:00-7:30 p.m., in the sanctuary. Pray silently with others, join together at end for the Lord's Prayer. Bring whatever prayer concern is on your heart and mind. Come, All Are Welcome.

### Ripples from the F Word Exhibit

John Anderson (currently serves on the Call Committee and the SALT team ministry) was recently interviewed by the radio station AM950 due to the F Word Exhibit at Grace.

John was interviewed by host Ellie Krug as part of her weekly talk show "Ellie 2.0". Below is a link to Ellie's program on Forgiveness and Redemption which aired April 8.



<http://www.am950radio.com/ellie-2-0-radio-april-8-2019/>

The full audio program is 52 mins long and is divided into three segments. During the first segment Ellie provides a historical context for the origins of F Word Exhibit. John's interview is the second segment.

Please make sure you listen through the third segment as Ellie shares deeply about her own very real struggles. She highlights recent insights about her own journey and need for forgiveness.



## Finances as of April 14

YTD Noisy Offering = \$3,776.79  
YTD Benevolence paid = \$20,329.66  
YTD Mortgage paid = \$35,384.00  
Remaining Principal = \$631,025.89

## YTD Comparison (as of April 23)

	2019	2018
<b>General Offerings</b>	\$212,239.75	\$217,278.25
<b>Other Receipts</b>	<u>\$30,999.83</u>	<u>\$39,861.91</u>
<b>Total Receipts</b>	\$243,239.58	\$257,140.16
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>\$243,004.18</u>	<u>\$262,171.13</u>
	\$235.40	(\$5,030.97)

*if you would like a copy of the current financial report, please contact Kate or Beth*



This year's Noisy Offerings collected throughout Lent supported the **Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies** initiative – a Maternal Health Program at the newly constructed medical center in Williamson, Haiti. Noisy funds were matched up to \$1,500. The total sent to World Wide Village was \$3,146.44. Thank you for your generosity.



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## 2019-2020 Grace Ministry Calendar Planning

Grace Staff is planning the calendar for the 2019-2020 program year. If you or your ministry has any dates for events you would like to request be added to the church calendar for the next program year, please submit those to [grace@graceandover.org](mailto:grace@graceandover.org) **no later than June 10th.** Thank You!



GraceLink



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*have received \$672.69.* Please consider using Amazon Smile when shopping on Amazon. Go to <https://smile.amazon.com> then choose from one of the amazing charities (Grace Lutheran Church being one of them) to support. The Amazon Smile prices are the same, and you will still have access to Amazon Prime if you are a Prime member.

**70 ½ is the age when people have to start taking mandatory distributions from their IRA.** It is possible to donate those mandatory distributions to a nonprofit like the church. If you are interested in learning more, talk with your financial advisor or contact Kate in the church office.





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## Summer Worship Schedule

Memorial Day Weekend thru Labor Day Weekend

Saturday at 5pm

Sunday at 8:30am

Sunday at 10:00am

