



We purchased Thanksgiving cards this year instead of Christmas cards. In part because I want to make it a faith practice to write thank you notes to people this November, and this is one of the ways to make sure I'll do it. The second reason is I have more time in November than December (hopefully!).

I thought my first Thank You note would be to all of you here at Grace Lutheran. This year has brought the unexpected in so many ways. While I can look back on this past year with a lot of emotions, the biggest feeling I have is of gratitude.

When I think about what a faith community is supposed to be, I feel you all are living it well. We are people brought together in faith to do life together. To challenge one another, to listen, and comfort each other, to inspire and support and to be there in the ups and downs of life. I have witnessed this in abundance this past year.



Our Transforming Inside and Out appeal had the goal of raising \$1.2 million dollars. A number that felt outrageous coming out of a pandemic, and yet a goal we surpassed reaching \$1.5 million dollars pledged, with currently \$425,000 received. Thanks be to God. This generous commitment of finances for the future of Grace spoke volumes about your dedication and belief in our ministries. I cannot tell you how inspired I have been by the ways in which you have given to move our building into the future. My heart overflows in thanksgiving.

All the while, our capital appeal project was underway, my mom was dying. I left after big meetings and gatherings to fly to Phoenix and back. Pastor Maria flawlessly kept the ship running with integrity and persistence. Our capital appeal team had her back, and our appeal consultants sent us gift cards, flowers and volunteered to preach when various members of our staff endured health emergencies, the death of my mom and more. We got so much more than we ever imagined with our generosity consultants Jennifer Perrow and Pastor Kris Capel. We ended up with spiritual partners and friends. The good news is that these quality individuals will be guiding us over the next few years. We are blessed by their wisdom and knowledge, and most of all, care.

This has been the hardest year of my ministry so far. When Pastor Maria had her stroke, and I looked at a whole summer without her, I wasn't sure how I was going to make it. But volunteers showed up and reached out hands of support, giving countless hours of time, and regularly, people just offered to help. I cannot tell you what this meant. The prayers, the letters of support, the care, the ongoing check ins have meant the world to me and the staff at Grace. While it has been hard, we have felt cared for and loved.

As my heart overflows with gratitude, I am inspired to keep going. Even though it has been an exhausting year, I believe God is continuing to call us to reach out to new people and invite them in. God is inviting us to reconnect with people who have slipped away and to share our story.

Who would have thought what the last few years would bring? And yet, each week, God is giving us new opportunities to live in faith, to be grateful, to be generous, and to be fed in our faith. I don't know how I would have survived this past year without my faith. My faith has given me eyes to see beyond what I ever imagined in the care and compassion extended. My faith has held me in moments of grief and loss. My faith has given me patience during my suffering to keep going even when I wanted to give up. And my faith has sparked my imagination to wonder where God will lead us next.

Thank you, Grace, for being your truest self. People who give generously, people who serve faithfully, and people who care abundantly. I have been blessed by you!

Pastor Joanna Mitchell

Associate Pastor's Message



November is my favorite month of the year! Not only does my birthday fall in this month, but also Thanksgiving (my birthday actually falls on Thanksgiving this year), fall colors, sweater weather, I love fall sports, the list of all the things I love about November could go on and on! I think it might be because of Thanksgiving, but I usually get extra thankful and grateful this time of year. I feel a little bit like the Apostle Paul writing to the Phillippians. Of course he is imprisoned as he writes to them and I am not, but still his sentiment and mine are one and the same. He opens his letter to the Phillippians like this:

"Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,

To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

Last week, I had the best day of ministry ever. On this day I met with two different high school students for coffee and connecting, I sang in and attended Phil Knutson's funeral service, I shared communion with a woman who was dying, with her daughter in law, granddaughter, and great granddaughter, none of whom I had met before, and I heard story after story of how all of you were and are ministering to one another, and to the communities in which you live. This is what it means to share in the Gospel, and for this I give thanks! That together we share this wonderful work of loving one another and caring for one another. Thank you for joining in this work, the greatest work of all. Thanks be to God!

Pastor Maria Markman



Jan. 1 to Sept. 30, 2022

Current & Capital Offerings \$648,235.42
Other Income \$264,760.23
Expenses \$1,304,345.17
Building Project Offerings \$424,808.99
Dedicated Offerings \$294,078.13
Dedicated Funds in Balance Sheet \$127,514.75

Jan. 1 to Sept. 30, 2021

Current & Capital Offerings \$608,044.26
Other Income \$82,112.30
Expenses \$779,668.81
Building Project Offerings \$0.00
Dedicated Offerings \$61,769.06
Dedicated Funds in Balance Sheet \$99,470.47

Vision Board

As we enter the season of Thanksgiving, I began thinking about being thankful versus grateful. How are they connected?

The definition of being thankful, according to Merriam-Webster, is to be conscious of a benefit received or well pleased, while grateful means to be appreciative of benefits received or pleasing. Also according to Merriam-Webster, they are synonyms for one another, but many people say there are distinct differences.

I generally think of being thankful when someone does something nice for me, gives me a compliment or provides me with a gift. But being grateful is more of a feeling you can act upon. You must be thankful before you can be grateful. Connie Stemle said it best in her article entitled *Grateful vs Thankful: What is the Difference?*, "Gratitude embodies a general state of thankfulness."



There are many studies out there that show gratitude improves our health overall. Do a google search and you'll see all kinds of articles! There are many ways to hook into gratitude. A lot of advice tells one to start a gratitude journal; writing down two or three items every day which make you grateful. Or create a gratitude jar. Every day write down one thing you are thankful for and put it in a jar. At the end of the year, sit down and read all the things you wrote. I did this one year (ok, maybe for a partial year), and it was impactful. Or if that is too much, simply take note of the small things and appreciate them. I truly believe some sort of gratitude practice makes us think and act differently.

I have had the following quote hanging on my wall in my office for a few years. I don't recall where I found it, but it meant something to me as soon as I read it. I go back to it frequently.

"Everything is interconnected. Gratitude improves sleep. Sleep reduces pain. Reduced pain improves your mood. Improved mood reduces anxiety, which improves focus and planning. Focus and planning help with decision making. Decision making further reduces anxiety and improves enjoyment. Enjoyment gives you more to be grateful for, which keeps that loop of the upward spiral going. Enjoyment also makes it more likely you'll exercise and be social, which, in turn, will make you happier."

~Author Unknown

Possibly this quote will resonate with others and can be a foundation for how we form our thoughts. I'll leave you with a Bible verse I feel complements the quote I shared above. *"And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful"* (Colossians 3:15).

For this Thanksgiving season, I wish you all gratitude, thankfulness, peace and happiness.
Anna Welle, Vice President



Mental Health Ministry



Taking Care Of Ourselves During Grief

by Nancy Jenkins

We celebrate All Saints Day in worship the first Sunday and Wednesday in November and focus on grief and loss. My mom's name and picture will be listed along with the others from Grace who have died this past year. Recently I read a helpful article written by Melinda Smith, M.A., Lawrence Robinson, and Jeanne Segal, Ph.D. about taking care of ourselves during grief.

The authors state that when we are grieving, it's more important than ever to take care of ourselves. The stress of a major loss can deplete our energy and emotional reserves. Looking after our physical and emotional needs will help us during this time of grief. The authors offer these 4 suggestions for self-care during grieving:

- **Face our feelings.** We can try to suppress our grief, but we can't avoid it forever. To heal we must acknowledge the pain. Avoiding feelings of sadness and loss only prolongs our grieving process.
- **Express our feelings in a tangible or creative way.** Even if we are not able to talk about our loss with others, it can help to write down our thoughts and feelings in a journal. Other options include painting a picture, making a scrapbook, or volunteering for a related cause.
- **Maintain hobbies and interests.** There's comfort in routine and getting back to the activities that bring us joy and connect us with others as we wrestle with our loss.
- **Plan ahead for grief "triggers."** Anniversaries, holidays, and important milestones can trigger deep and painful emotions. We can plan ahead to make sure that we are not alone on milestone dates, for example, or commemorate these occasions in a creative way.
- After my mom's passing, in the spirit of this article, I have tried to be consistent with my morning exercise routine and also tried to get enough sleep each night. Around the time of the 6-month anniversary of my mom's passing, I wrote this piece titled, "Half a Lap" about how I was feeling.

Half a Lap

When I ran track in high school and college, my best race was the 400 meters. This race is a one-lap sprint around the oval and some consider it the hardest race in track because you're supposed to be running full speed the whole time. Every time I ran the 400 meters, the halfway point was a significant milestone. How do I feel – strong or winded? Where am I relative to the other runners – am I catching up to other runners or am I losing ground? Somewhere in this point of the race, there was a turning point towards the finish line and a sense of "dig deep, Nancy, you can do this! You're halfway there! Finish strong!" This was what I was known for as a runner: a strong finish.

And in this same way, in my first lap around the sun in my journey with grief, I am asking myself, "How are you doing? Where am I relative to what I expected?" Truthfully, I can't see the finish line yet nor do I have any sense of what I will feel like in another 6 months. I don't sense an inflection point of being "halfway there" and I'm not sure that I'm supposed to. Honestly, this first lap is harder than I ever imagined. Often, I feel the strange mix of grief over my mom's passing and gratitude for who she was in my life. I feel the struggle (the wrestling) and I am thankful. Beyond words. Beyond tears.

God of Griefers - how our hearts have been tenderized by grief! We pray that you will hold our softened hearts in your gentle care. Help us to find our way in you. Amen.

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Love of Grace Bazaar

Saturday, November 12, 2022 from 9:00am to 3:00pm. This event is open to vendors within our congregation and outside in our community. All are invited to register. We accept registrations from all vendors on a first come basis.

We will be asking our Grace people to sign up for donations of food and supplies for the bazaar breakfast and lunch we serve. We will also need man power to move furniture, set up tables, chairs, etc. in the late afternoon/evenings of Thursday and Friday Nov. 10-11. Vendors begin their set up on Fri. Nov. 11 from 7:00-8:30pm or Sat. morning prior to the event. Sat. afternoon after the bazaar, we will need help to take down and get everything set back up in the sanctuary, narthex and classrooms for Sunday morning. Contact Ann Lange at ann.lange@comcast.net or 763-438-6868 for information.



Spring Forest Qigong Practice Group



Spring Forest Qigong practice group led by Randy Sparer meets at Grace the 1st & 3rd Mondays of each month at 2:30pm. Through gentle, yet powerful healing movements and meditations, you will learn how to heal yourself. Questions, contact Randy Sparer 612-812-2392.



Graceful Seniors:

Nov. 15th

8:30-10:00am

Graceful Seniors is a group of mostly retired folks who meet the second Tuesday of each month except November, because of voting on November 8th our next gathering will be November 15th in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast and a Bible study (8:30-10:00 am). Bring your Bibles! We will be starting a study through Revelation. If you are a senior and interested in joining us on the second Tuesday of the month please call the church office so we can make sure we have coffee and a donut for you! We would love to have you join us!

Ruth Circle: November 7th



12:30-2:00pm

A group of mostly retired women who meet the first Monday of each month following quilters (12-12:30 lunch 12:30-2:00 study) Bring your lunch and join Pastor Maria and others as we engage the Gather magazine monthly Bible Study. Our next gathering is November 7th. The office has extra copies of the study for those who don't have a subscription or who would like to try it out.

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Grace4Rakai Ministry Team

The Grace4Rakai Ministry Team is excited to be highlighting **Sunday November 13 and Wednesday November 16, 2022** at Grace Lutheran Church to lift up our friends and colleagues at **ACT (African Children Today)** who live in Uganda, Rakai. Many of us in this congregation sponsor children there, and we want to continue to provide updates and critical support for ACT's outreach efforts. During this weekend at Grace, we will provide you with updates on our sponsor children and the ACT Junior School; have an opportunity to purchase items made by the Hope Again Women from Rakai and learn more about what amazing and exciting things are happening there. We will provide updates on the ACT Junior School and the new High School, the Medical Clinic, the Amazing Grace Bakery, the Milling Operation and much more. We will also highlight the scholarship fund that the Grace4Rakai Ministry Team has established to provide financial support as needed for children sponsored by the Grace community. Also stick around between services on Sunday morning, November 13, as we will be hosting another "Live From Rakai" event from the Grace Worship Center. During this event, Ann Hill and Richard Mutaawe, Director of ACT, will bring us up to date with the various ministries over in Rakai and take your questions! We want to celebrate the generosity that the Grace community has provided over this past year, so please plan to join us. We look forward to seeing you. It will be an exciting event, so plan to be a part of it. If you have any questions regarding this event, please reach out to anyone on the Grace4Rakai Team—led by Stacy Surratt & Scott Christensen.

Funeral Ministry

Thank you to all the **ladies and gentlemen** who donated bars/cookies and worked at the two funerals we served in October. Your generosity enabled grieving families to celebrate their loved ones over a shared meal and was greatly appreciated.

As our volunteers in this ministry are aging and some have needed to step back due to health, etc., we applaud their dedication and give thanks for their service. However, that means that we are in need of others at Grace to fill the void these faithful servants leave. Please consider helping to prepare food, set up, serve and clean up to allow us to continue to offer this service on weekdays/weekends to our bereaved community. Contacts: Low Jackson, Ann Lange, Nancy Jenkins, or the church office.



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The Women's Retreat Ministry team wants you to **plan ahead to "Be Uplifted"** for an Amazing, Fun-Filled Event that is happening in February 2023. This event is our over-night weekend **Winter Women's Retreat at Luther Point Bible Camp on Friday February 24 thru Sunday February 26, 2023**. We invite **ALL Grace women** and their friends to come. At this fun event, you will meet and get to know more women at our church, laugh a lot, and **RELAX**. We have everything planned and provided for you except your over-night bag – The team will provide all your meals, daily devotion sessions, carpooling, lots of free time, a field trip to a creamery, outdoor hiking (if you so choose), snacks and wonderful women fellowship that you can only get at a Women's Retreat. Our goal for this retreat is to grow in relationship with one another and God; provide tangible spiritual take-aways to apply to your daily life and have **LOTS OF FUN AND LAUGHTER**. This Women's Retreat is also a safe and encouraging environment where **EVERYONE** is invited to come. **Space is limited so registration will be required for this event- Go to Realm NOW to register.** The Early Bird cost thru Dec 31st is only \$120 which include 3 meals, 2 overnight lodging and carpooling cost. Packing list and additional details will be sent to you once you register!. Can't wait to see all you Fabulous Women at this Wonderful Event in February 2023. Reach out to Stacy Surratt for any questions – stacysurratt@yahoo.com



OK@Play Event:

An Evening of Christmas Carols

Fri, Dec 16th @ 8:00-10:00PM
Heart of the City Music Factory,
2665 4th Ave, Anoka, MN

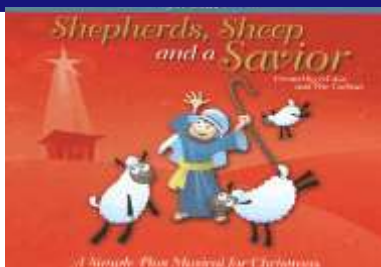
Join us for an evening of singing traditional Christmas carols, led by Dan & Sandy Adler and a group of local singers. This is a participative night, so feel free to sing along! Advanced tickets are \$15. Tickets at the door are \$20. Additionally, a free-will offering will also be received to help support the ongoing ministry of Heart of the City Ministries. Seating is general admission and doors open at 7:30 PM. Concessions will be available for sale during the concert. The Music Factory is located on the 2nd floor of the WWI era Old Milk Factory on the Rum River in Anoka. *It is not a wheelchair accessible building, and there are some stairs to climb.*

Advanced tickets \$15. Door tickets \$20. Contact Vickie Meade at 763-712-0496 or vmeade714@gmail.com with any questions. Register and pay on Realm.



Children's & Youth Ministries

Shepherds, Sheep, and a Savior



Roles have been cast! Rehearsals have begun! The story and songs are being sung!

**Invite your friends and family to come
and join us in worship on
December 18, 2022
8:45 am or 10:30 am**

Our children will be sharing the story of Christmas through the performance of "Shepherds, Sheep, and a Savior"!



Christmas Camp-Out

**Sunday, November 27th
Fellowship Hall
4:00-6:00 PM**

A family event, all ages are invited. Gather around the "campfire," friends! It's time to celebrate the season with a fun camping trip. The best part is . . . you don't have to go anywhere! Bring the great outdoors to you with a cozy, indoor *Christmas Campout*. Twinkling lights, pop-up tents, camp-themed snacks, fun crafts, and exciting activities help families spend time together learning about the gift of Jesus. No need to sign up! We can't wait to see you there!

If you have made an advent wreath in the past and want to make one again, this event is for you. We will have kits available to pick up and we are making advent wreaths during this event only! If you want to come for your advent wreath supplies, you are invited.



Appalachian Service Project

It's been a while since Grace Youth have been able to go on a mission trip. We are so excited about this year's High School Summer Trip to the Appalachian Mountains where we will be participating in the Appalachian Service Project (ASP). July 28th-August 6th.

We will travel by van from Andover to an assigned region (we find out in March where we are going) where we will spend a week working on homes and connecting with families who are in need of home maintenance and repair.

When I was a youth, I participated in this project for all three years of my high school career. The families I met and the work we did impacted me profoundly and gave me a great appreciation for all that I have, and a desire to give back. I remember being quite nervous about participating in this project. I didn't know much about construction and was unsteady with a hammer and a nail. And yet, each year I came home having done something I never thought I could do, for example re-roofing a house, restoring a floor, building a deck and more. I know that others in our group felt the same way. Today, I am a proud member of the Women's Build with Habitat for Humanity because I enjoy being able to work with my hands and use some power tools.

We have 15 spots reserved for youth and need 6 adults as volunteers. ASP serves West Virginia, Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee. We will be staying at a school or community center. Fundraising and scholarships are available. Cost of the trip is \$650 which includes travel expenses.

Sign up today on Realm and talk to Pastor Joanna Mitchell for more information.



Youth Ministries



Catechism

Small Group Leader & Parent Social

Next month, we're creating an opportunity for all of our small group leaders to connect with the parents of their kids so we can better love, lead, and influence kids together. Don't miss it! Watch for more information to hit your inbox in mid-November.

Our Growth Focus Beginning in November: Real

It's easy to spot a fake friend (and even easier to be a fake friend at times), but what's not-so-easy is figuring out how to make and keep friendships that are real. Maybe it's just easier to keep our friendships on the surface. Or maybe we've never seen real friendship in real life before. Or maybe we don't actually know anyone we trust enough to be real with. These days, when "friends" are just a click or a follow away, it's more important than ever to figure out what true friendship really looks like. In this series, we'll explore the words and stories of Jesus, the disciples, Paul, Timothy, David, and Jeremiah to help us understand what authentic friendship can look like. Together, we'll discover that real friends choose each other wisely, show each other grace, comfort each other, and help each other grow.

Listening Team

Forming (Transition Task Force)



As the Interim Director of Children Youth and Family Ministries this year at Grace, I work for an organization called InterServe Ministries. Our role is to serve alongside members of congregations as they experience times of transition and change in their youth ministry leadership staff. My job at Grace is two-fold. First, I am responsible for the maintenance of the children's and youth programming during this time. Second, I am here to help the church evaluate, discern, and strategize for the future of the children, youth and family ministry program. This is an exciting time!

Research is clear that it is vital that organizational change must come from within an organization. In October, I began to form a diverse group of people to discern the next steps. This group will be called the Listening Team and is responsible for handling the transitional issues during this period. These issues include celebrating history, evaluating and discerning current programming strengths and weaknesses, dreaming and visioning for the future, drafting mission/vision/value statements and goals, crafting a new ministry position description and handing all this over to a Search Team who will interview and hire a new ministry partner.

Over the next several months, this group will meet at least monthly, with twice-monthly meetings scheduled if and when tasks necessitate them.

Please continue praying about the Spirits work in and through this process. If you have any questions, please contact me at mollys@graceandover.org. I'm excited to be working with you to strengthen and establish a sustainable children's, youth and family ministry at Grace Lutheran

Gratefully, Molly



Youth Ministries



High School Events A Midsummer Night's Dream Outing

High School students are invited to join us for Anoka High School's production of A Midsummer Night's Dream, where one of our very own has a speaking role! We will be attending the Sunday, November 6th performance at 2:00 pm. Cost is \$5 for students and \$10 for adults. Register on Realm!!

WhirlyBall

November 13th, from 1-3 pm Join us for this fun outing to WhirlyBall in Maple Grove for some friendly competition and lots of fun! WhirlyBall is a team sport. You'll break into teams and face off on the WhirlyBall court. Use a bumper car and scoop to get the Wiffle ball and shoot it into the goal. Whether you come up with a game plan or wing it, you're sure to walk away exhilarated. Cost is \$24; registration can be found on Realm



Green Ribbon Group

Green Ribbon Group meets the first Monday of the month at 6:30pm. This group is for parents/guardians of children who are growing up with mental health ups and downs, atypical identity, and other hard issues. This group is a confidential, non-judgmental, safe space to talk about struggles others may not understand.

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Family Table



Imagine coming home and finding no food to prepare dinner for your family. Imagine being alone and never having friends to share a meal with. Imagine how you would feel and what you would do. Family Table is an outreach program sponsored by several churches in the area including Grace. It is an opportunity for us to help our neighbors, if even for only one meal. On the 3rd Sunday of each month, we are privileged to put together meals for our guests. As gas prices rise and inflation goes up, we see our numbers ticking up also. And for the first time since COVID, we have opened our doors so friends can grab their meal and share good conversation. If you are looking for a way to help, please check out the Sign Up Genius link. The calendar is posted thru December so you can do some planning. We know summer is a tough time, but imagine if you had no food on your table? Come help us help others! You are such an important part of our outreach programs! If you have questions, you can contact Lynda Wilde at lrwilde@comcast.net or call/text 612.418.6444.

Adopt-A-Family




Share God's Grace this Christmas

Would you like to share God's grace in a very tangible and REAL way this Christmas? Then please consider "adopting" a local family who will be truly blessed by your generosity. Through our Faith & Community Partnership with Sand Creek Elementary School, we will connect families from Grace Lutheran with families of students in need. If you choose to adopt a family, you will receive a list of family members, with genders and ages, but no names. The school social worker will help each child prepare an appropriate wish list. It is totally up to you how much you spend. If you are interested in adopting a local family this Christmas, please contact Jan Margotto at 763-434-4617 or margotto@msn.com

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*Dear Church family,
It's time for a New Directory!*



**Celebrating faith.
Connecting families.
Sharing hope.**

When people enter the doors of our church they are looking for a place to belong. Our directory brings us together to develop new relationships, connect with our own families, and reconnect with those we haven't seen in a while. Join us for this "Connections Event" and be part of what God is doing right here at our church!

Connections Event

Our church directory will not be complete without you. Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album.

- Schedule your professional photography session when you stop by the sign-up table at the church or simply go online and follow the instructions below. If we don't see your name on our list of appointments, you will receive a phone call inviting you to participate.
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Thanksgiving Eve Service
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23 AT 7:00 PM
Pie Social immediately following service



**Church Office &
Seeds of Grace Day
Care Closed
Nov. 24th & 25th**



**Advent Begins
Sunday, Nov. 27th**

Feed My Starving Children



We have reserved space at FMSC on Saturday, November 5th from 9:00am-10:45am. Please join us in this November Tradition of Grace Lutheran Church! Register on the web site or call the office at 763-421-6520.



Sand Creek Thanksgiving Baskets

The Sand Creek ministry team is putting together Thanksgiving Food Baskets. The team will be needing 10 frozen turkeys between 12-14 pounds to be delivered to the church by November 20th. Packing and delivery of the baskets will be on the morning of Nov 22nd.



Grace Lutheran Church

Thank you all for your sympathy, your caring thoughts, and your prayers during this extremely difficult and sad time for our family. We appreciate your support

John & Donna Druley

Grace Lutheran Church

Thank you to the 4 men who came to our house and did yard work for God's Work, Our Hands Day. They did a good job and we greatly appreciate the help.

Arden & Shirley Kirkendall



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to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

PSALM 107:1 NIV