

Grace, mercy, and peace are yours in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

Dear Family of God at Grace,

Due to the limited number of activities at the church in August and my involvement in our national Convention, this month's newsletter is limited in scope but still contains some essential information. Please read on, keep the convention in your prayers and pray for safe travel for all our churches' delegates.



The 68th Regular Convention of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod will be held from July 29 to Aug. 3, 2023, at the Baird Center in downtown Milwaukee.

The Synod will gather under the convention theme, “We Preach Christ Crucified,” based on 1 Cor. 1:18–25. In a world of uncertainty, the church’s proclamation, mission, and identity remain the same. We preach Christ crucified.

You can access the official page for the Convention at

[Click here to access the convention page](#)
Please keep in mind that all times are CDT!!

The Lord bless you all this month!



GIVE ONLINE!!

We now have **ONLINE GIVING** on our website: www.graceofnaples.com. The **GIVE** button can be accessed from your mobile device in the menu options found in the upper right corner of the page. You can also access the **GIVE** button from your laptop or desktop on the church home page. Just click on the button **GIVE** and follow the instructions.

Please keep the email that you receive from Vanco (Joyful Response) for your personal records. Contributions made through the website will not appear on your year-end contribution statement.



Thank you to all who helped with packing the boxes for Operation Christmas Child on July 20!





The Men of Grace is a gathering of the men in our congregation with the intention of lifting them up and strengthening them to be true men of grace. We want to become a band of brothers in Christ, who love and serve each other by lifting up one another so that as men of God, we can live out our calling in our families and in our church family. We call all men of our congregation to be a part of this gathering, for men, guided by men for the glory of God.

The group meets on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall and will resume in the Fall.



August 6th:
Backpack Blessing! All kids are invited to bring their backpacks to worship where they will receive a back to school blessing and some goodies to take to school with them.

August 20th:
Education Board meeting 12pm

August 20th :
Back to school bash! Sunday School families are invited to a pool party at the McKimm home at 3pm. Everyone is asked to bring a snack to share.

August 27th:
Youth Night, 5-7pm at Grace Lutheran



2023 VBS

**Don't miss out on this fun filled week!
Kids will spend time**

learning 5 different Bible lessons through interactive lessons, music, crafts and games. Registration forms are on the narthex bulletin board.

**Cost is \$20 per family
(4-year-olds through 5th grade).
July 31st-August 4th, 9am-12pm
Contact DCE Kami Jo with questions**



Women of the Bible Speak

Bible Study Schedule for August is as follows:

- August 3rd: NO Bible Study due to VBS
- August 10: 10am in Fellowship Hall
- August 17: 9am in Fellowship Hall
- August 24: 10am in Fellowship Hall
- August 31: 10am in Fellowship Hall

Ladies! Please join us!

Altar Flower Donations

Would you like to remember your birthday or anniversary with a special offering to God?

Would you like to remember someone special in your life who is with the Lord? Would you like to beautify the Sanctuary with a special offering of flowers?



There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex for you to claim the date for your special occasion. Cost of arrangements is \$45.00.



- 2 Benjamin Gruel
- 2 William Schoen
- 3 Bob Billharz
- 4 Darline Feltrinelli
- 4 Duane Jones
- 4 Aidan Stephenson-Smith
- 5 Judy Meister
- 5 Leonard Walter
- 6 Dick Teteak
- 8 Bob Lambertsen
- 8 Kami Jo Mogelvang

- 9 Gary Hazelett
- 9 Betty Yock
- 10 Owen Witherow
- 13 Andrew Lingsch
- 14 Andrew Garner
- 14 Jan Hietzman
- 14 Sherry Tomis
- 15 Gavin Hill
- 15 Cliff Lingsch
- 15 Susan Murray
- 18 Phoenix Bui
- 21 Don Olson
- 22 Walter Hartfelder
- 24 Mark Eisold
- 24 Mara Robinson
- 26 Trevor Davenport
- 27 Mike Witherow
- 30 Carl Ehmann
- 31 William Benson
- 31 Sebastian Nye-Schmitz



- 2 Tomas & Sarka Ruzicka
- 7 Erik & Cindy Mogelvang
- 8 Ed & Barb Frank
- 9 Scot & Kim Gonder
- 17 David & SueAnn Zornes
- 17 Gary & Barb Drake
- 19 Steve & Nancy Beights
- 20 Travis & Ashlee Potts
- 24 Bill & Sharon Kiehl



• **There is a new Pictorial Directory coming to your mailbox at church!**

If you have made any changes to your directory listing since 2021 and have not contacted the office, please do so before August 15, as we will go to press shortly after that!

- You can choose to be a full member or an Associate member of our church? This is especially nice for winter visitors who would like to feel that they are a part of our church family and by becoming Associate Members, they have voting rights for the business of the church.
- Our services are livestreamed on YouTube each Sunday at 8:00 am, but you can watch any time that is convenient for you. [View our Livestream](#)
- The bulletins are posted weekly on our website so you can follow along when you are watching the livestream. Just go to [View Our Bulletins](#)



VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR ALL WORSHIP SERVICES!

There are multiple opportunities for you to volunteer for weekend services at Grace. We need Ushers, Lectors, Altar Guild Members, Greeters, Crucifers and Acolytes, Sound Board Operators and people to prepare for Coffee Hour.

Click the link below to access the signup website.

Click here to [Click here to volunteer!](#)

Weekly Events

Quilters'

Tuesday's, 10:00 am
Fellowship Hall

Knitters

Tuesdays, 10:00 am
Will Resume in the Fall

Women's Bible Study

Will continue thru summer
See August Schedule above or
Contact Kami Jo

Bible Study Will Resume in the Fall

Wednesday's,
10:30 am
Fellowship Hall

Wednesday Dinner and Prayer Service

Will Resume in the Fall

Men of Grace

1st & 3rd Tuesdays
6:30 pm
Will Resume in the Fall

Grief Share

Thursdays, 1:00 pm
Will Resume in the Fall

Cool Mom Bible Study

Tuesday's, 9:00 am
Contact Kami Jo
Will resume in the Fall

Choir Rehearsals

will resume in the Fall

Choristers

Wednesday, 4:15 pm

High School Choir

Sunday, Noon

Adult Choir

Wednesday, 7:00 pm



We are always looking for people to host Sunday Morning Coffee Hour. There is a sign-up sheet at the table in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like more information, please contact Lori at Lorilingsch@yahoo.com



Tune in for good Lutheran music and Bible teaching.

KFUO (850 kHz) is a non-commercial AM radio station licensed to Clayton, Missouri and serving Greater St. Louis. It has a Christian talk and teaching radio format. KFUO is one of the oldest continuous operating Christian radio stations in the United States, with its first broadcast on October 26, 1924; 98 years ago. Owned and operated by The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod (LCMS), its radio studios and offices are in the LCMS headquarters in Kirkwood, Missouri.

KFUO is a daytimer station. By day, it is powered at 5,000 watts, using a non-directional antenna. Because KFUO operates on the same frequency as Class A KOA (AM) Denver, KFUO must sign off at sunset. As such, the on-air hours vary depending on time of year. The station's website plays sacred music when the 850 signal is dark. KFUO broadcasts using HD Radio technology. The transmitter is on the grounds of the Concordia Seminary in Clayton.

You can connect online at [Click here to connect with KFUO](#)



The Rev. Dr. Christian and Gudula (Lula) Tiews serve the Lord as career missionaries through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in Germany.

As a missionary pastor, Christian works with the Independent Evangelical Lutheran Church (SELK), the Synod’s partner church in Germany, to reach out to Germans and Farsi-speaking immigrants from the Middle East. In addition, he offers English classes, translates English theological materials into German, and assists in the new English-language Bachelor of Theology program offered by Luther Academy, Riga (aka the Livonian Lutheran Project), as a mentor of future pastors and coordinator of other mentors throughout the Eurasia region.

Christian was born in Munich, Germany. He earned a bachelor’s degree from Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich and a master’s degree from the Christian-Albrecht

University of Kiel, Germany, before working as a translator and salesman for several German companies. He later earned a Master of Divinity from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, (2009) and a Doctor of Ministry from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne (2017). Before becoming a missionary, he served as associate pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, Tulsa, Okla., (2009–2015) and as sole pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Okmulgee, Okla. (2015–2021). In his free time, Christian enjoys spending time with his family, reading, hiking and sailing.

Lula was born in Telgte, Germany. She earned a bachelor’s degree in library science from the Technical University of Cologne, Germany. Prior to serving as a missionary, Lula worked as an IT consultant and enterprise architect. For many years, she also served as a travel director and cultural connector. These experiences were instrumental in leading her and Christian to help establish sister city relations between Tomball, Texas, and Telgte in 1999. In her free time, Lula enjoys traveling, reading, hiking, making crafts, cooking and baking sourdough bread. She and Christian have six children—one of whom, Lillian—lives with them in Germany.

Please pray for the Tiews family as they engage in mission and ministry in Germany. Ask the Lord to give courage and confidence to all three of them as they share the Good News of Jesus Christ with the people they meet. Give thanks that Christian, Lula and Lillian are serving God’s children in this part of the world.

- **BIRTHDAYS:** Christian — July 1, Gudula — Dec. 7, Lillian — Feb. 13
- **ANNIVERSARY:** Oct. 21
- **HOME DISTRICT:** Oklahoma



August 2023

“Gift Planning Training”

Ron and Sally put an estate plan together thirty years ago. Just recently, they began reviewing this plan, with the help of their LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor, getting them ready to go to their attorney for updates.

One evening over dinner, Sally said to Ron, “You know, I’ve been thinking about our plan. Thirty years ago when we put it together, we didn’t spend much time talking with each other about what was on our hearts. We certainly didn’t pray about it. We just got it done before we left on our trip to Europe. I feel differently this time.”

Ron responded, “I am glad to hear you say that because I have been feeling the same way. I really want

to aim our gift to ministry to the scholarship fund in our congregation’s endowment. The school is the place where our Church connects with new families. Every year, dozens of new people are being baptized because of the school.”

Sally said, “I couldn’t agree more. Can we pray about those families that will be touched in the future through the nurturing, loving, environment of our school?”

They prayed. They wept. They found strong encouragement to do their work and adjust their estate plans.

Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you too. Contact Tony Hunt 260-222-1291 or email tony.hunt@lfnd.org.