WEEKLY GRACE NOTES
Sunday, October 18, 2026
Twenty-First Sunday of Pentecost

Grace LUTHERAN FELLOWSHIP
BRINGING GOD'S GRACE TO LIFE

Welcome to Grace

At the heart of Grace, in all that we say and do, is bring *God's Grace to life*. We are here to help! If you are visiting for the first time and have a need:

- Please introduce yourself to the Pastors, they would love to meet you.
- Please feel free to contact the church office for any information:
- 586-752-9800 or email: office@graceromeo.com

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Remember us, O Lord, not for what we deserve, but because you have begun your good work in us. As you have called us to your service, make us worthy of our calling; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!

AS WE GATHER: October 18, 2026
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WORSHIP THEME: Over the next several weeks we will be thinking about the future. What the future holds, but more than that, who holds the future. In the end, our future is in God's care. Our future is not grounded in progress and optimization or the lack thereof. Our future is grounded in God's promises and faithfulness.

FIRST READING Isaiah 45:1-7	**EPISTLE** 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
PSALM 96:1-9 (10-13)	**HOLY GOSPEL** Matthew 22:15-22

SPECIAL THANK YOU

Dear Grace family, thank you for your generous contributions & donations for the bake sale!! We were able to raise close to $700.00 for our retreat scholarship fund! Such a blessing.
With love & gratitude,
Robin & Cheryl Spaulding

PRAYERS for HEALING

Ken & Melody Reichenbach
Vicki Bower
Chris Graber
Gaye Vogt
Jack & Marge Bernard

PRAYERS For Our Shut-Ins

Chris Graber
Ted Kasper
Sandra Kriewall
Pat Ruhlig
Carolyn Smith
Joan Walz
Eileen Hopp
Donna Kohn

WE PRAY FOR OUR

Military and their families
Our Congregational Leaders
Stephen Ministry
Kid's Hope Program
Student Ministry

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILIES

Mark & Kimberly Stanko

PRAYERS FOR OUR LOCAL SCHOOLS

Case City Public Schools

PRAYERS FOR OUR LOCAL CHURCHES

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
Case City

PRAYERS FOR OUR PRESCHOOL

Rachel Eichhorst, Preschool Director
Our Teachers:
Megan Sisco, Rachael Eichhorst
& Teacher Assistant:
Kellie Compton, Carrie Gizoni

Pastor and Pastoral Assist

Pastor Eric Majeski & Pastor Mike Phillips
Deacons: Robin Spaulding & Terry Bower

Director of Student Ministry:
Gus Aguinaga

Student Ministry Assistant
Audrey Fouts

Music Leader:
Gary Felts

Hand Bell Choir:
Martha Phillips

Sound Board & Recording Ministry:
Jeff Martin

Web Editor:
Gary LaLonde

Readers:
Sunday, October 18
830am - Gus Aguinaga
11 am - Bruce Fritsch

Sunday, October 25
830am - Jack Clock
11 am - Terry Bower

ANNUAL TRUNK or TREAT

Come and join us here at Grace for some candy and fun on: Wednesday, October 21, 6:00pm

Bring your child to participate &/or hand out candy from your trunk.

It is a fun time for all! Bring a Friend!

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Here our Lord gives to us His own Body and Blood for the forgiveness of all our sins

Our Grace Family celebrates The Lord's Supper every Sunday, confessing that our Lord feeds us with His very body and blood for our forgiveness.

Please read carefully: The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Grace in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another.

Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at the Altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that of Grace and The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an Elder.

GLEANERS COMMUNITY FOOD BANK of Southeastern Michigan

The next Gleaners is scheduled for:
Monday, October 19
Distribution Times:
from **12:30 - 1:30pm**

HEARING IMPAIRED

Headphones Available for the Hearing Impaired. Which are located at the rear of the Sanctuary.

GLUTEN FREE WAFERS

Please notify an Elder, Pastor Majeski or Pastor Mike before service, if you are in need of Gluten Free wafers. Thank you!

MEN'S SATURDAY BIBLE STUDY- at 7:30am

What does it mean that the United States is a "Christian Nation?" What does it mean that we are citizens of two kingdoms? We will begin a new study on; "We The People – Citizens of Two Kingdoms, also incorporating some thoughts from Martin Luther on his "Two-kingdoms doctrine. Please consider joining us as we dig deeper into God's Word and what He has to say about all of this! If you are interested in joining us, we are in the conference room. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Registration is now open for the

COME AWAY MY BELOVED

Women's Retreat

"Looking Unto Jesus"

October 23-25, 2026

Please visit:

- morningstarministries.net

for more information and/or to register.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

November 1

On All Saint's Sunday we commemorate our loved ones who have died in the last year.

If you would like your loved one added to the list, please contact the office:

- office@graceromeo.com or 586.752.9800

Deadline is Wednesday, October 28.

MUSIC DIRECTOR NEEDED

Grace, is hiring a Music Director who will help lead them in joyful and Christ centered worship with a blend of Hymns and Contemporary Songs, celebrating all that God does for us. This position is part time. Those interested in applying and for further inquiries about the position can be made through office@graceromeo.com

HELP WANTED: Grace Lutheran is seeking a loving, kind, and patient individual for a full-time Administrative Assistant position. Responsibilities include office operations, worship slides, and database management.

A copy of the full job description is available on the church website, in the church office, or can be emailed to you by reaching out to office@graceromeo.com. Interested candidates should submit a resume to Pastor Majeski at: pastormajeski@graceromeo.com.

COURAGE FOR CAREGIVERS
RETREAT

(a day of respite and support for individuals in an active season of caring for a family member or other individual).

Saturday, November 7, 2026
8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Cost: $35.00 per person
(includes breakfast, lunch and retreat workbook)

RSVP by October 30th to:
Robin & Cheryl Spaulding
at **586-784-5632** or
cheryl@morningstarministries.net

HANDLING THE HOLIDAYS

If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, or are in a supportive role, we invite you to join us on **Friday evening, November 13, 2026 at 6:30 pm**. Through a video presentation and discussion, we will explore helpful ways to navigate the upcoming holidays in the midst of grief.

At the end of the evening, Chalk Artist, John Rudnicki will create a beautiful art presentation entitled: "Emmanuel, God with Us."
For those who want to come just for John's presentation, it will begin at 8:00pm.

Refreshments and workbooks will be provided. **Please R.S.V.P. to Robin & Cheryl Spaulding** at **586-784-5632 by November 5, 2026** for workbook orders.

GSM BENEFIT
"CHILI COOK OFF FOR CANCER",
with all proceeds going to Shannon Nolan.

Date: November 11th
Time: 6:00pm entries arrive
and serving starts at 6:30pm

ALL ENTRIES CAN SIGN UP
AFTER BOTH SERIVCES



WE WILL HAVE A QR CODE
TO SIGN UP AS WELL

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD BOXES

Green and red Operation Christmas Child boxes are available for you to take and fill. Inside the box are Boy/Girl labels and all the information necessary to fill the boxes.

This year we have some "starter items" available for you to take to help fill your boxes.

PLEASE NOTE: SOAP IS NO LONGER PERMITTED IN THE BOXES. There were problems with mold and clearing Customs inspections.

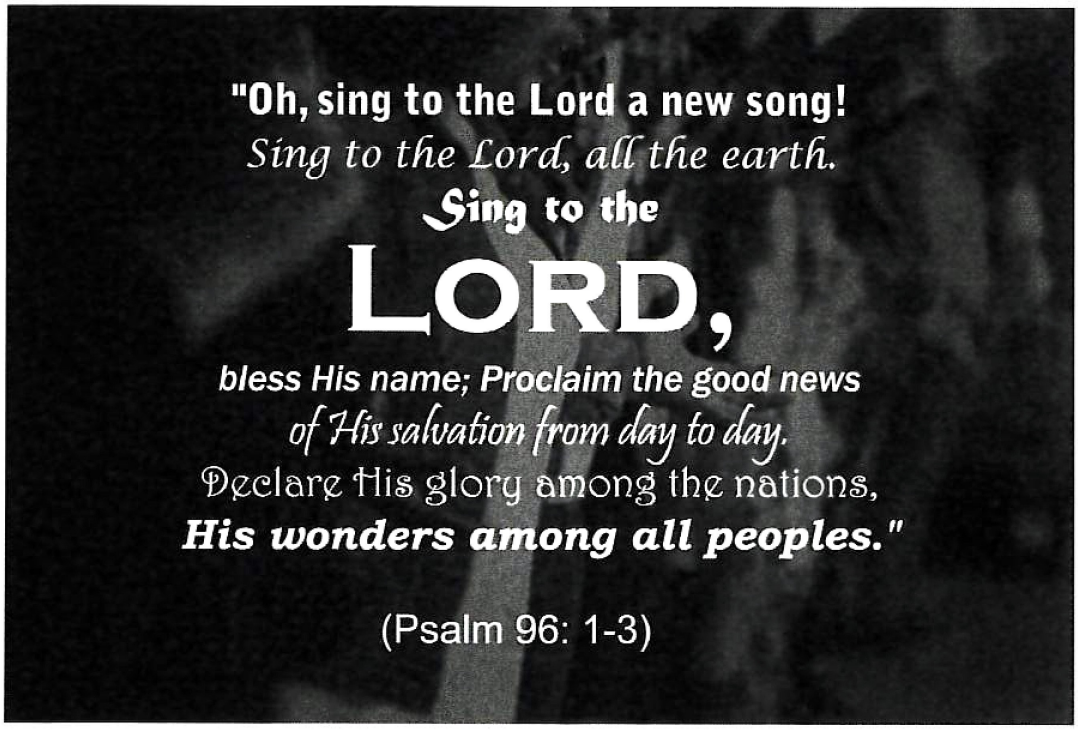
Please feel free to use plastic shoe boxes or wrapped cardboard shoeboxes (please wrap the lid separate from the bottom so the box can be opened for inspection at Customs). Additional Boy/Girl labels are available on the "Information Wall".

If you want to track your box, you must go on-line and pay the $10 shipping fee. Scan the QR Code or enter the 9-digit code on the label. (www.samaritanspurse.org/activate)

Filled boxes will be transported to the Collection Center after the 11am service on Sunday, November 22, 2026. (***THE SUNDAY BEFORE THANKSGIVING***). It's OK to bring the boxes back earlier.

Thank you for sharing the saving love of Jesus with children around the world.

If you have any questions, please contact: ***Diane Beecher 586-752-0947.***



SHUT IN OUTREACH

Chris Graber
8357 Rider Rd.
Imlay City, MI 48444
Birthday: March 17

Sandra Kriewall
59056 Golden Oak Ct.
Washington, MI 48094
Birthday: January 30

Eileen Hopp
Wellbridge of Romeo
375 S. Main St. Rm: 504
Romeo, 48065
586.531.1809
Birthday: June 30

Ted Kasper
14650 Lakeside Circle Apt. 2019
Sterling Hgts., MI 48313
Birthday: August 17

Donna Kohn
Shelby Comfort Care
51831 Van Dyke
Shelby Twp., 48315 Rm: 413
Birthday: May 5

Pat Ruhlig
Bells Assisted Living
401 Church Street
Almont, MI 48003, Room 208
810.798.2355
Birthday: January 14

Carolyn Smith
Orchard Grove Senior Living, Legacy Building
71150 Orchard Crossing Lane Apt. 607-A
Romeo, MI 48065
Birthday: March 31

Joan Walz
Bayview Gardens
628 East Main Street, Apt. 26
Sebewaing, MI 48759
Birthday: September 6

Shirley Bellman
7568 Amanda Circle
Washington, MI 48094
586.943.4355
Birthday: August 13

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Grace is a Stephen Ministry Congregation. Stephen Ministers are congregation members trained to provide one-to-one care to those experiencing a difficult time in life, such as grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, or relocation. Stephen Ministers come from all walks of life, but they all share a passion for bringing Christ's love and care to people during a time of need. If you would like to speak to one of our Stephen Ministers, please contact our Stephen Ministry Leader, **Renee Sproat**, at: **810.531.3724** or email: **rsproat2020@gmail.com**

BUDGET SUMMARY
THROUGH: Sept. 15, 2026

Total income:

$525,285.57

Total expenses:

$447,255.15

Copies of the budget can be found in the marked folder located in the organizer on counter in the office.

October Birthdays

Zakary Antonelli	10/18
Timothy Burmann	10/18
Isabella Gall	10/18
Sara Muller	10/18
Mackenzie Pollock	10/18
Benjamin Putman	10/18
Lisa Burmann	10/19
Jason Silye	10/19
Mason Monty	10/21
Norah Brown	10/24
Paige Cherry	10/24
Elizabeth Silye	10/24
Tim Zwiez	10/24
Dawn Currie	10/26
Kimberly Scott	10/26
Frieda Schluessler	10/27
Ryan Silye	10/27
Susan Creagh	10/28
Tracy Kriss	10/29
James Maus	10/29
Charles Rohrborn	10/29
Edgar Compton	10/30
Brielle Rose Eckhardt	10/30
James Glidden	10/31

October Anniversaries

Mark & Kimberly Stanko	10/18
Merrick & Colleen Maris	10/20
Mark & Brenda Horn	10/21
Craig & Jessica Hilliker	10/23
Duane & Jana Pretzer	10/25
Dan & Donna Lince	10/27
Robert & Caral Malcolm	10/30
David & Abbey Madewell	10/31

November Birthdays

Lilly Dombkowski	11/01
Mason Farrell	11/01
Gabriel Nuculovic	11/01
Caleb Boone	11/02
Tracey Lewis	11/02
Grant Rusk	11/02
Nicole Sawitzky	11/02
Sarah Summerfield	11/02
Tarah Summerfield	11/02
Bonnie Hart	11/03
Duane Pretzer	11/03
Evan Scott	11/03
Carson Huck	11/04
Carol Posey	11/04
Jill Maniaci	11/05
Noah Hampton	11/06
Sandy Keown	11/07
Stephanie Binson	11/08
Lisa Bresky	11/08
Henry Lewis	11/08
Stan Monroe	11/08
Elizabeth Bishop	11/10
Ashlynn Calka	11/10
Emma Gaymon	11/10
Larry Winget	11/10

November Anniversaries

Harry & Linda Wiedenmeyer	11/02
David & Sandy Keown	11/04
Kevin & Michelle Mill	11/05
Brock & Genevie Winchester	11/06
Kenneith & Brandi Brown	11/07
Terry & Sue Monicatti	11/07
Brad & Bonnie Hart	11/09