



Grace to You

From Grace Lutheran Church – Grand Island

February 2017



RED AND BLUE MARDI GRAS STYLE!

Sunday, March 26th, 2017

Doors open at 3:00pm

Dinner at 6:00pm

Live auction at 7:00pm

Silent auction, games, raffles and more!

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Individual \$70

HLHS requests that attendees dress in semi formal attire.



Guild News 2016

First of all, we would like to thank the congregation for their support on Mite Box Sundays. We truly appreciate the extra mites we are able to give to missions.

In February we hosted a Lenten Soup Supper with proceeds going to the Orphan Grain Train with matching funds from Thrivent. It was a true success. In March we had our quarterly meeting with speakers from Collage Center, which counsels unwed mothers with an alternative to abortion along with support after the baby is born. They are truly a Pro-Life cause. In April we hosted our Friendship Supper and attended the Zone Spring Rally in Central City.

At our June quarterly meeting we had a representative from the Community Health Clinic speak about all the great things they do for people in need. Of course, our own Marilyn Fischer is a volunteer there.

Our September quarterly meeting speaker was Timothy Leech with Heartland Lutheran High School. We support HLHS on a monthly basis. Also in September was our Nebraska District South Convention in Kearney. Cindy Bremer and Paula Heck were our delegates and Cindy Kemp and Ruth Strauch also attended. In October we sent our Graduate Care Packages to Micah Pobanz, Austin Saddler and Kathryn Speer. Also in October we celebrated LWML Sunday with a beautiful banner made by Vicki Bartels and goodies for coffee time. Grace hosted the Zone Fall Rally with 50 people in attendance and a very interesting speaker from Lutheran Heritage Foundation, Rev. Theadore Na Tha Lang.

December was our Christmas Party. Whitefoot's catered a wonderful meal. We played Christmas Bingo and handed out our Secret Prayer Partner gifts.

In 2016 we served two funerals, Adeline Stelk and Pat Bierhaus. We truly miss Pat as she was a member of Guild for many many years and made so many contributions to our group. We continue to make contact with our shut ins on a monthly basis and of course provide the Baptismal banners and Confirmation banners.

Elizabeth Circle meets the second Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. and Mary/Sarah Circle meets the second Monday at 7:00 p.m. All women of the congregation are welcome to visit any time. Right now we are studying women of the Bible. Pastor Bremer is conducting the Bible study.





Music at Grace 2016

“It is good to give thanks unto the Lord and to sing praises unto thy name, O Most High: to show forth thy loving kindness in the morning and thy faithfulness every night.” Psalm 92:1-2

A sincere thank you-

...to the choir members (Junior and Senior) who showed their dedication, faithfulness and love of music and returned for the 2016-2017 choir season;

...to those willing to be soloists, speakers, leaders;

...to instrumentalists Steve Heider, Elizabeth Pobanz, Shawn Pfanstiel;

...to Karl Heck and Shawn Pfanstiel for serving as Cantors;

...to Shawn for composing/arranging graduals, verses, hymns;

...to Randy Kemp who once again prepared and served a delicious Christmas dinner for Senior Choir members, their families and guests.

The Senior Choir presented the Cantata: The Splendor of Christmas, on December 18th.

The Senior Choir sang at the Lutheran Service at the State Fair.

The choir members rehearse and participate in the worship service from September through May. We would like to invite Y O U and Y O U and Y O U to join us as we learn and sing praises to Him who has given His all to us.

Gretchen Buss
Organist/Choir Director

“To God alone Be all Glory”



2016 Statistics

Baptisms

Arizona Lynn Burson

Deaths

Eugene Burkhardt
Patricia Bierhaus
Adeline Stelk
Edwin Meier

Members Received

Baptism 1
Confirmed 4
Gavin Link
Caleb Pobanz
Brynn Saddler
Kyle Sheeks

By transfer/adult confirmation

Dave & Ann Black
Vernon Brandt
Sherry Campbell
Dan Harvey
Matthew, Donna,
Daniel & Stefan Johnson
Skyler & Amaryah Jenkins

Communicant Members 15
Baptized Members 16

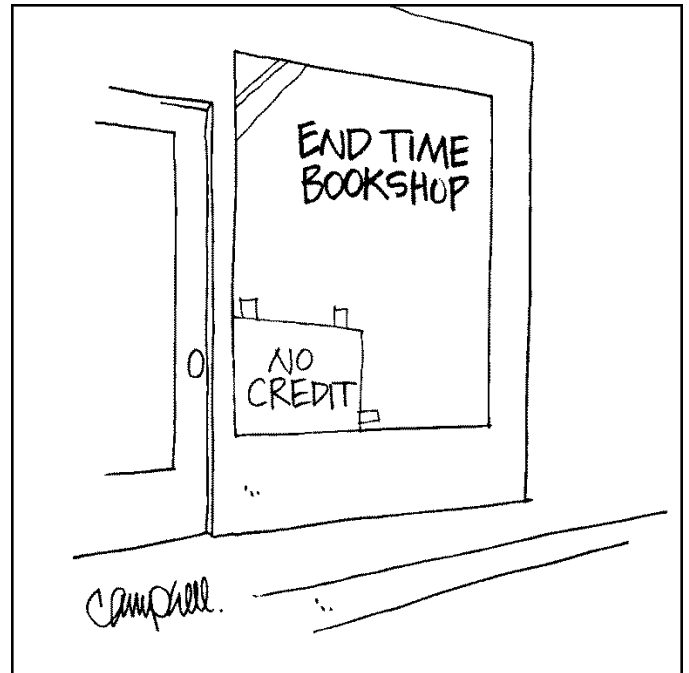
Members Removed

By death 4

By transfer 2
Don & Bonnie James

December 31st, 2016 Membership

Baptized Members 282
Communicant Members 247



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From a church newsletter:

holiday concert tickets on sale!

Reserve seats now; a big crowd is expected.

Cost is only \$5 per person

This is sure to be an interesting crowd.



If your birthday has accidentally been omitted, or has the wrong date, please don't take offense. Inform the office of any changes that need to be made. Thank You.

Kimber Fowler	
Leland Krecklow	5
Bryan Saddler	7
Mitchell Paulman	8
Kimberly Krecklow	9
Tim Bartels, Vicky Zabka	11
Rick Ressel	12
Jennifer Fosket	13
Jackie Pollock	14
Monica Lange, Caleb Pobanz, Sandy Yager	16
Chelsey Liess	18
Vernon Brandt	19
Jonathon Paulman	20
Kyle Sheeks	24
Gretchen Buss	25
Shannon Avila	26
Roger Roscoe	27
Pastor Bremer	28
Maleigh Avila	29



Lila Yager	5
Ron McKown	9
Paul Hoos	14
Jordan Liess	17
Zane Harvey	18
James Hoag	20
Tim Bartels	26
Don Bombeck	27

Serving this Month

Elders

Mark Liess/Andy Gudgel

Crucifer

Brody Sheeks

Acolyte

5/12 Lila Yager

19/26 Cecily McGuan

Greeters

5 Keith Pobanz/Caleb Pobanz

12 Mike & Kyla Endorf

19 Keith Pobanz/Caleb Pobanz

26 Duane Buss/Ron Bliss

Ushers

5 Karl & Paula Heck

12 Keith Pobanz/Caleb Pobanz

19 Evonne Wageman/Janet Petermann

26 Keith Pobanz/Caleb Pobanz

Altar Guild

Ann Black/Marilyn Fischer

Counters

Duane Buss

Vicki Bartels

Steve & Debra Heider

Radio Sponsors

February 5 St. Paul's, Doniphan

February 12 Carla Warneke

February 19 St. Paul's, Doniphan

February 26 Kurt Haecker

Every Sunday Schedule

- 8:00 Radio Service (KRGI)
- 9:00 Communion Service
- 10:00 Coffee Hour
- 10:30 Sunday School/Bible Class

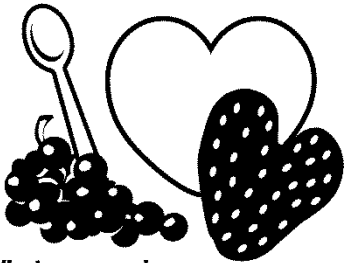


Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday 1	Thursday 2	Friday 3	Saturday 4
			6:15pm Jr Choir 7:00pm Sr Choir 7:00pm Catechism			7:00pm Worship Service w/Communion
5 8:15-8:45am Blood Pressure Screening	6	7	8 9:30am Elizabeth Circle Hostess: Ruth 6:15pm Jr Choir 7:00pm Sr Choir 7:00pm Catechism	9	10	11 7:00pm Worship Service w/Communion
12	13 7:00pm Mary/Sarah Circle Hostess: Cindy K	14 	15 6:15pm Jr Choir 7:00pm Sr Choir 7:00pm Catechism	16	17	18 7:00pm Worship Service w/Communion
19 Mite Box Sunday	20 7:00pm Guild Executive Board Meeting	21	22 6:15pm Jr Choir 7:00pm Sr Choir 7:00pm Catechism	23	24	25 7:00pm Worship Service w/Communion
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Activity Page

Heart FRUIT SALAD

Make this cute, healthy snack for your loved ones on Valentine's Day.

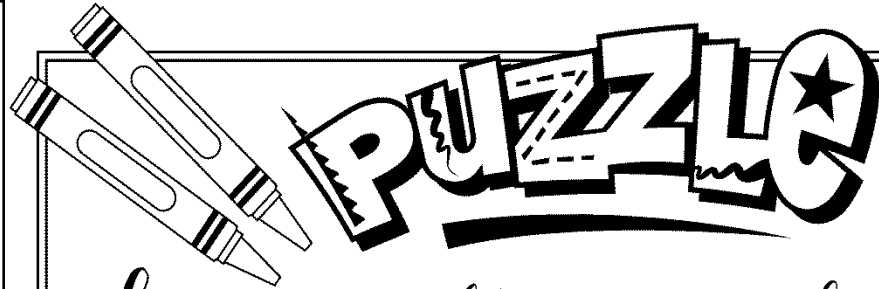


What you need:

- Adult help
- Washed fruit (watermelon, cantaloupe, strawberries, grapes)
- Knife and cutting board
- Small heart-shaped cookie cutter
- Bowl and spoon
- Mint leaves (optional)

What you do:

1. Slice the watermelon and use the cookie cutter to make heart shapes.
2. Slice the cantaloupe and cut chunks into heart shapes.
3. Remove strawberry stems and cut berries in half. Cut a small V atop each half to form a heart.
4. Cut grapes in half.
5. Place fruit in bowl and stir.
6. Wash and cut the mint. Sprinkle strips on the salad. Enjoy!



Love your neighbor as yourself

Valentine's Day is the perfect opportunity to live out God's love. How does Jesus say we should treat other people?

Directions: Find a hidden word in each sentence. For example, "the" is hidden here: (12) "It's Harry's hat he stole." The (12) means the hidden word starts on the 12th letter (ignore punctuation). Use the answers to complete Matthew 19:19, NIV.

(1) You really like ice cream! _____



(16) Carly has a really fat hermit crab. _____

(21) My favorite animals are moth, ermine and eels. _____

(4) "Hello, Vera!" called Joseph. _____

(11) When horses neigh, boredom reigns. _____

(17) Their daughter, Kara, sat patiently. _____

(6) "That's yours, elf!" the fairy yelled. _____



"Honor _____ and



_____, and _____ your

_____."

Matthew 19:19, NIV

Answer: "Honor your father and mother, and love your neighbor as yourself." Matthew 19:19, NIV