



Grace to You

From Grace Lutheran Church – Grand Island

February 2020



February 8th, 2020 10am-3pm

Trinity Lutheran School PTL is hosting a Winter Craft and Vendor Extravaganza on Saturday February 8th from 10am-3pm. Of the 30+ Vendors, HLHS will also have a booth. Make plans to stop by and say hello while you browse and support our sister school. There is a flyer on the bulletin board with a list of vendors. You can also check out their Facebook page: 2nd Annual Trinity Lutheran Craft & Vendor Extravaganza



The season of Lent begins on Wednesday, February 26th, with our Ash Wednesday service starting at 7pm. There will be a soup supper prior to the service from 5:30-6:30pm



Heartland HS Red & Blue 2020 is March 28th at Riverside Golf Club. More details will be announced at a later date.



Treasurer's Recap for 2019

From a financial perspective, the year 2019 proved to be quite a year. THANK YOU for your financial support of God's ministry here at Grace Lutheran Church throughout 2019.

This past year became the year of the parking lot, which had been talked about and pushed off for some time. Thanks to the lead gift from the estate of Ralph and Lorraine Laskowski received in 2018, a contractor was lined up and, in between the spring rains, the old asphalt was removed and a concrete lot reappeared. In addition, lighting was added to the south side.

There were many wonderful gifts provided throughout the year for general operating, building fund, memorials, tuition, music, and the parking lot project. Grace Lutheran was truly blessed....again...in 2019!

Total 2019 gifts for general operating purposes were right at \$245,000 as some sizable gifts were received in late December. Our general expenses were just under budget, which was \$229,300, so we ended the year quite favorably. All bills were paid current at year end, and some carryover funds will be helpful during the lower giving months of the new year.

In addition to the gifts for general purposes, nearly \$27,000 was received to finish the parking lot project. Other gifts throughout the year included the final \$50,000 memorial distribution from the Laskowski estate, a \$5,000 anonymous gift, some memorials and tuition payments. The Laskowski gift will be added to the Scholarship Fund or an endowment fund. The anonymous gift was put into savings.

Please know your gifts for birthdays & anniversaries remain valuable as those gifts are being combined with our monthly budgeted "building fund" for unexpected repairs or other replacement projects. The only major project planned for 2020 is re-shingling of the parsonage, which will be paid for from the Building Fund.

Our operating budget for 2020 is up only 1.6% at \$232,300 or ~\$4,470/wk, as we provide for very modest increase in wages while lowering some other operating expenses. Also, we remain fortunate to not have any bank debt.

Thank you again for your ongoing support, and may you prayerfully determine your monetary and non-monetary gifts to our Lord's service at Grace Lutheran throughout each month ahead.

Kurt Haecker, Treasurer



Guild Recap 2019



Ladies of Grace Guild meet monthly to study God's Word and join together in fellowship. Officers for 2020 are President Cindy Kemp, Vice President Vicki Bartels, Treasurer Paula Heck, Secretary Lynnette Gibson, Christian Life Chair Cindy Bremer, Mary/Sarah Circle Chair Paula Heck, and Elizabeth Circle Chair Rosalie Roscoe. Mary/Sarah Circle meet at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Monday of the month. Elizabeth Circle met at 9:30 a.m. on the 2nd Wednesday. Pastor leads both circles in monthly Bible studies. In 2019, we remembered our shut-ins, sent regular offerings to District Mites and Heartland Lutheran High School, and celebrated the following special events:

March

- Quarterly meeting. Speaker Karl Bergdolt told us about the activities going on at Heartland Lutheran High School. Mary/Sarah Circle were hostesses.

April

- Zone Spring workshop was held at Zion, Worms. Pastor Kothe led a Bible study on "Original Sin and the Necessity of Missions" based on Romans 10:14. "How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?."
- Planning Committee hosted the annual Friendship Supper on April 8. All women of the congregation were invited. Debbie Spaulding shared several things from her time in Japan. It was a lovely evening.
- Lynnette made a confirmation banner for the confirmand, Kiera Avila.

June

- Quarterly meeting. We hosted a potluck and BINGO night. It was well-attended and everyone enjoyed themselves.
- We hosted a potluck for Pastor Bremer's 35th year in the ministry.

July

- We served an Open House for Harold Rosenkotter's 80th birthday

September

- Quarterly Meeting. Speaker from Hope Harbor, Renae Swanson, Marketing Director told us how Hope Harbor serves their clients and the community.

October

- We celebrated LWML Sunday on October 6. Theme was "Faith Like a Mustard Seed" based on Luke 17:6. Lynnette made the banner, we passed out treats and invitations to ladies of the congregation, and served quick breads during fellowship time.
- We sent care packages of popcorn, candy, gift cards, and devotions to this spring's graduates: Hailey McGuan, Elizabeth Pobanz, and Keyin Wentling.
- Zone Fall Rally was at Christ, St. Paul on October 12 from 8:30 - noon.
- We hosted a congregational potluck after Shawn's organ concert on October 27.

December

- We enjoyed our annual Christmas party at our quarterly meeting on December 9. Whitefoot Catering provided the meal. The choir from Heartland Lutheran High School provided entertainment.
- We divided our funds at the end of the year by giving \$60 to mites in honor of church workers: Pastor Bremer, Amy Harvey, Shawn Pfanstiel, and Barb Sheeks; \$50 each to Ft. Wayne Seminary and Concordia Food Bank; \$50 to Lutheran Heritage Foundation; and \$200 to Heartland Lutheran High School.

Ruth Strauch made baptism banners again this year.

All ladies of the congregation are invited to join us when you are able.

2019 Statistics

Baptisms

Piper Jenkins

Deaths

Don Bombeck

Lowell Kohtz

Ernie Hulinsky

Don James

Members Received

Baptism 1

Confirmed 1

Kiera Avila

By Transfer/Adult Confirmation

Karl, Rebecca & Elizabeth Bergdolt

Carl & Barb Lindahl

Chance Cochran

Colleen Carey

Noah & Katie Bolin

Jeff & Mary White

Communicant Members 12

Baptized Members 13

Members Removed by Transfer 3

Micah Pobanz

Aaron Plond

Jennifer Gage

December 31st 2018 Membership

Baptized Members 280

Communicant Members 242

Grace Lutheran 2020 Officers

President: Blake Saltzgaber

Vice President: Jesse Bartels

Treasurer: Kurt Haecker

Secretary: Bruce Bluhm

Financial Secretary: Tim Bartels

Elders:

Mark Liess

Stu Endorf

Karl Heck

Keith Pobanz

Karl Bergdolt

Dave Plond

Board of Ed:

Mike Endorf

Skyler Jenkins

Kevin Liess

Trustees:

Pastor Busskohl

Dave Gibson

Jake Fosket

Steve Heider

Mike Bockmann

Dan Harvey

HLHS Delegates:

Dave Plond

Randy Kemp

Keri Bartels

Aaron Liess

Mike Endorf



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.

Ann Black	2
Chance Cochran	3
Kimber Fowler, Leland Krecklow	5
Louis Saltzgaber	6
Bryan Saddler	7
Mitchell Paulman	8
Noah Bolin, Kimberly Krecklow	9
Tim Bartels, Vicky Zabka	11
Rick Ressel	12
Jennifer Fosket	13
Jackie Pollock	14
Arizona Burson	15
Caleb Pobanz, Sandy Yager	16
Chelsey Liess	18
Jonathon Paulman	20
Kyle Sheeks	24
Shannon Avila	26
Roger Roscoe	27
Rev. Daniel Bremer	28
Maleigh Avila	29



Karl Bergdolt	2
Lila Yager	5
Ron McKown	9
Hannah Pfanstiel	11
Elizabeth Bergdolt, Paul Hoos	14
Jordan Liess	17
Zane Harvey	18
James Hoag	20
Tim Bartels	26

Serving this Month

Elders

Dave Plond/Stu Endorf
(Alternate: Karl Heck)

Crucifer

Brody Sheeks

Acolyte/Crucifer

2/9 Carreagan Endorf
16/23 Brielle Saddler

Greeters

2 Roger & Rosalie Roscoe
9 Mark Liess/Kurt Haecker
16 Ron Bliss/Dave Gibson
23 Mike & Kyla Endorf

Ushers

2 Jon & Vickie Paulman
9 Randy Kemp/Duane Fowler
16 Karl & Paula Heck
23 Duane Buss/Caleb Pobanz

Altar Guild

Katie Pfanstiel/Jeri Pobanz

Counters

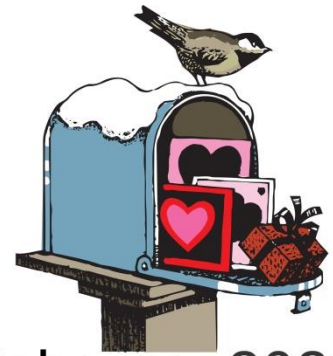
Dean Bierhaus
Kevin & Chelsey Liess
Paula Heck

Radio Sponsors

February 2 St. Paul's, Doniphan
February 9 Harold & Judy Rosenkotter
February 16 St. Paul's, Doniphan
February 23 Cindy Bremer

Every Sunday Schedule

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



February 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 7:00pm Worship Service w/Communion
2 8:15-8:45am Blood Pressure Screening *J Bartels	3	4	5 6:15pm Children's Choir 7:00pm Sr. Choir 7:00pm Catechism Class	6	7	8 7:00pm Worship Service w/Communion
9 Mite Box Sunday *Saltzgaber	10 7:00pm Mary/Sarah Circle Hostess: Marilyn Bible Stud: Pastor	11	12 9:30 Elizabeth Circle Hostess: Ruth/Joyce Bible Study: Pastor 6:15pm Children's Choir 7:00pm Sr. Choir 7:00pm Catechism Class	13	14	15 7:00pm Worship Service w/Communion
16 *Haecker	17 7:00pm Guild Executive Board Meeting	18	19 6:15pm Children's Choir 7:00pm Sr. Choir 7:00pm Catechism Class	20	21	22 7:00pm Worship Service w/Communion
23 *Bluhm	24	25	26 5:30pm Soup Supper 6:00pm Sr. Choir 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Service	27	28	29 7:00pm Worship Service w/Communion

****Door monitor names are listed on the monthly calendar****