



Grace Notes

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Web Edition

Twenty - Second Sunday after Pentecost



National Youth Gathering, July 2022

The ELCA's triennial National Youth Gathering will be held in Minneapolis, MN, from July 24-28. The Registration deadline is coming up soon in mid-November. All youth from those going into high school in 2022 to those who graduate in 2022 are eligible. Please contact Pastor Repp as soon as possible if you are interested (pastor@glccu.org) We will register together as a group, and a \$150 deposit will be required at the time of registration. See <https://elca.org/YouthGathering> for more info.



Youth Worker – Staffing Survey

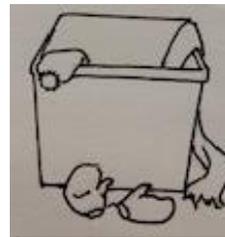
The Council is tasked with the staffing needs of our church. In our effort to do this we would value your input as a starting point. Thank you taking the time to do this. If you have further concerns and questions that you feel the form does not allow you to express, please reach out to Claire Vail (Council President) clairewalworth@yahoo.com

[Youth Worker for Grace Lutheran Church \(GLC\)](#)

University Chorus concert

Andy Bruhn will conduct the University Chorus in concert on October 30 at 1PM in Smith Recital Hall! The concert title is *Love Has Broken Down the Wall*, and explores different facets of love through new and classic choral music. The program is free and open to public at, Smith Recital Hall, 1114 W Nevada in Urbana. Hope to see you there!

Box of Warmth



As the cold weather approaches, we would again like to ask the Grace congregation to gather new or gently used hats, scarves, mitten, and gloves for children and youths who need them.

Please place your donations in the “Box of Warmth” under the mailbox in front of the church. They will be taken to the Francis Nelson Health Center in Champaign with deliveries there from November through February.

Questions? Contact Marcia Licquia for your social ministry committee.

Grace Meeting Zoom Link and Web Pages and Access Links and passwords are available at Email version of Gracenotes.

New Mobile Giving App

As of the end of the year, the Give Plus app will no longer work to make mobile contributions to Grace. Please download the “Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement” app from the Apple App store or the Google Play store. Your old Give Plus login information should work for the new app. Please report any problems using the app to office@glccu.org.



Birthday/Anniversary Card Stamping

Birthday/Anniversary Card Stamping Session will be held in the church narthex on Monday, November 15th from 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM. All participants will be asked to wear masks and socially distance as we work together to create beautiful greeting cards with the help of Meg Loven, who generously contributes her expertise and materials. Anyone interested with helping are invited. For questions or concerns, please contact Kathy Bowersox.

Grace Food Pantry Update

You may have seen on our calendar that we have slotted the second Sunday of each month to be “Grace Food Pantry Sunday.” We include this to encourage financial support for this ministry once a month. Food Pantry does not operate out of the General Fund, which is the destination for Sunday morning offerings unless otherwise designated. Because of this, Food Pantry depends on special designation for donations from those in the congregation that wish to support this ministry. Financial contributions are a great way to support Food Pantry, because every \$1 that is given can have the purchase power of much as \$10 at the Eastern Illinois Food Bank. Please consider making an extra donation to the Pantry at this time!



Update from St. Andrew's:

Help needed with Wednesday night meals for the campus ministry

Greetings in Christ, everyone!

Thank you, cooks of our Wed night meals at St. Andrew's! We are so grateful for your time and efforts, and this support is a great blessing to our ministry. **This fall, we have leaned fairly heavily on only a couple of sources for these meals, and we would love to spread the work out a bit, so this burden is shared among a bigger group of folks.** If you've not provided a meal or signed up to provide for one, and if you're able, might you prayerfully consider doing so? If you're unable, might you bring word back to your congregation that we are in need of this support to see if there are others who would have the time and willingness? **It looks like we still need a meal on Wednesday, October 13, one week from tomorrow.** The next open spots start in November. You can sign up at this link: <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/4wmkg5>

We will be happy to reimburse the cost of ingredients if you provide receipts. You can just drop a meal off, or you are more than welcome to stay here and eat with us, and/or attend the activities that follow (either contemplative worship, a service project, more fellowship, or some kind of study or discussion). Our students enjoy getting to know people from our area churches.

This is one of the foundational programs of our week at St. Andrew's, and your help helps us feed students in more ways than just the physical!

Peace and blessings, Pr Amy

Volunteers Needed

Help wanted! We need volunteers to work on the Nominating Committee. The task of this committee to reach out for people to fill the council, church officers, and delegates to the Synod Assembly. Please contact Claire Vail if you are willing to serve.

“God’s Work; Our Hands”

For over forty years, the Refugee Center has been providing services essential to refugee and immigrant resettlement in East Central Illinois and aiding in the



exchange and preservation of other cultures. The Refugee Center assists all immigrants, political asylees, and refugees, regardless of their religion or country of origin. It helps those new to our community to settle and acclimate to our American culture. It provides three main areas of assistance to those relocating to our area:

1. It helps with Social Services by advising on available community services, providing family health education, and tutoring and socializing opportunities to help children prepare for school.
2. It helps with Mediation Services by helping with appointments and situations that may require an interpreter.
3. It helps with Language Assistance by helping with paperwork and translations.

Grace Lutheran is an annual contributor to this organization in our community. This fall, the Social Ministry Committee, on behalf of the congregation, has contributed \$1,000 to The Refugee Center. Volunteers are an integral part of the work at The Refugee Center. Volunteers may be involved with translating, interpreting, tutoring, teaching, and planning events. If you would like to be involved in this organization, you can get more information at www.therefugeecenter-cu.org. You can also make donations at this website or mail a check to The Refugee Center, 201 W. Kenyon Road Suite 4D, Champaign, IL 61820.

The Refugee Center is anticipating five to ten Afghan families immigrating to our community within the next three months. The Social Ministry Committee will post updates on special events and other opportunities to help The Refugee Center.

Treasurer’s Report, September 30, 2021

	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Revenues	35,386.28	208,105.55
Expenses	31,221.54	273,700.46
Net	\$ 4,164.74	-\$ 65,594.91

Prayer Requests

We have two formal ways of praying for one another at Grace. One is in the Sunday morning worship service, where we pray for people by name in the Prayers of Intercession. They will also be listed in the emailed and printed versions of GraceNotes, but not in the web version. The other way is the Prayer Chain. This is more private, and prayer requests are shared only with the Prayer Chain team and not listed in GraceNotes.

Please send prayer requests for the Sunday-morning prayers to Lyla at office@glccu.org. We also have a tab on our website for prayer requests that you can access at <https://glccu.org/prayer-requests/>

Prayer requests for the Prayer Chain should continue to go GraceLife@glccu.org which will be monitored by Grace staff.

	Worship Support –October - November			
Worship Support	<u>October 24</u>	<u>October 31</u>	<u>November 7</u>	<u>November 14</u>
Assisting Minister 9:30AM	Helen Repp	Jo Fleming	Claire Vail	
Reader 9:30AM	Cindy Grigorescu	Nanette Groskreutz	Julie Johnson	Meg Loven
Deacon 9:30AM	Jim Anderson	Kathy Bowersox	Van Bowersox	Lois Wilken
Greeters:	Sue & Michelle Kozlowski	Dave & Carol Larson	Erick & Meg Loven & family	Kim & Julie Johnson
Video Technician	Michael Miller	Dave Brown	Ruben Vipinraj	Andy Bruhn
Flowers:	Cynthia Saylor and Family	Bill and Grace Schoedel	Marcia Hull Licquia	Marlys Scarborough and Chet Alwes
Reason for Flowers:	To the Glory of God and in Memory of Paul Saylor.	To the Glory of God	In loving memory of Lorene and Bill Hull	In honor of our upcoming wedding anniversary

This Week at Grace: October 24, 2021 – October 31, 2021

<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sunday, October 24, 2021		
<i>World Hunger Sunday</i>		
Worship (Hybrid)	9:30 AM	Sanctuary & Live Stream
Adult Sunday School	10:30 AM	Hoffmeister Room or Zoom
Confirmation Class	11:00 AM	Google Meet
Women's AA	12:30 PM	Hoffmeister Room
Monday, October 25, 2021		
Food for Seniors	10:00 AM	Fellowship Hall
Bell Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Tuesday, October 26, 2021		
Food for Seniors	6:00 AM	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, October 27, 2021		
Bulletin Deadline	5:00 PM	
Choir Practice	7:30 PM	Sanctuary
Thursday, October 28, 2021		
Food Pantry	10:00 AM	Fellowship Hall Hoffmeister Room
Sunday, October 31, 2021		
Worship (Hybrid)	9:30 AM	Sanctuary & Live Stream
Adult Sunday School	10:45 AM	Hoffmeister Room or Zoom
Confirmation Class	11:00 AM	Google Meet
Women's AA	12:30 PM	Hoffmeister Room
Hops and Hymns	5:00PM	Riggs