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PASTOR'S PAGE

O Lord open my lips

The theme verse for the 2024-2025 school year is Psalm 51:15, "O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise." Please keep the school in your prayers the students, parents, faculty, staff and pastors. School starts on August 13th. We give thanks to God that Mrs. Diana Stephens accepted the call to be Grace's first grade teacher. Her room is right next to the Pre-K2 room. Please go and see the room. It has new ceiling tiles, fresh paint, and the floors have been waxed. First and second grades are now separate. Mrs. Mary Havers will return for her second year of teaching at Grace and will be the second-grade teacher. The high school room is now upstairs where the youth room is. It is being renovated and updated. Please make your way upstairs and have a look to see how it is turning out. If you have not seen it already, there is a fence in front of the ball field and playgrounds. This is to keep the children safe from running into the parking lot as well as to keep dogs from wandering into the field to relieve themselves. Thank you to the trustees for getting all these improvements done. We give thanks to God that Mr. Devon Day is now our new maintenance man around the school and church. He is the one responsible for many of the

improvements being made around the church and school. Enrollment is currently at 101 students. People are still calling with interest in the school. We shall see what number of students the Lord will give us.

The High School will be going on a retreat with Y4Life which is a registered service organization of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. Y4Life stands for Youth for Life; this organization equips students to be able to defend life in the public square and encourages them to find ways to protect life in their community. Pray for the high school students this year as they seek to serve the community and give voice to the voiceless. Regarding sports, Grace will have a new addition this year of soccer for third through eighth grades. High school will now have cross country and will be competing in the cross country meet here in Brenham. The football/soccer field is looking lush, and thanks to volunteers, the low spots in the field are gone. Thanks to your generous support of the PTL, there is now a portable score board for the outdoor field. Please come out and support all of our student athletes. Go Mustangs!

Let us pray that the Lord would open all of our lips to declare His praise.

-Pastor Schuller



Worship Opportunities – August 2024

Sunday Worship – 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School & Bible Classes – 10:30 a.m.



Date:	August 4			Festival:	Pentecost 11 – Proper 13
Texts:	Ex. 16:2–15	Eph. 4:1–16	John 6:22–35		
Hymns:	768, 633, 662				
Distribution Hymns:	634, 636				
Preacher:	Ogrodowicz				
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Date:	August 11			Festival:	Pentecost 12 – Proper 14
Texts:	1 Kings 19:1–8	Eph. 4:17–5:2	John 6:35–51		
Hymns:	641, 534, 642				
Distribution Hymns:	618, 629				
Preacher:	Ogrodowicz				
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Date:	August 18 – EDUCATION SUNDAY			Festival:	Pentecost 13 – Proper 15
Texts:	Prov. 9:1-10 Or Josh. 24:1–2a or 14–18	Eph. 5:6–21	John 6:51–69		
Hymns:	411, 696, 712				
Distribution Hymns:	811, 809				
Preacher:	Schuller				
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Date:	August 25			Festival:	Pentecost 14 - Proper 16
Texts:	Is. 29:11–19	Eph. 5:22–33	Mark 7:1–13		
Hymns:	655, 543, 865				
Distribution Hymns:	556				
Preacher:	Ogrodowicz				
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MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

As of July Council Meeting

Baptism:

Nolan James Zettel, baby, on 6/2/24
Carter Grawunder, on 6/2/24
Ansley Grawunder, on 6/2/24

Profession of Faith:

Hanna Hahn, on 6/2/24
Stephanie Grawunder, on 6/2/24
Thomas Grawunder, on 6/2/24

Death:

Evelyn Nitsch, 6/15/24 Funeral on 6/20/24

Removed:

Miles Dahmann
Lauren Hadley
Benjamin Jacobs
Kody Moore
Nick Nelson
Timothy Reid
Sarah Zenns and 3 children (Avery, Lila & Zoey Anne)

Souls: 593

Communicants: 509



Meetings This Month



Ladies Afternoon Circle will meet on Thursday, August 1 at 2:00 p.m.
Hostesses are Joan Hinze and Ruth Swonke-Ho.

Ladies Evening Circle will meet on Tuesday, August 13 at 7:00 p.m. Hostesses are Nancy Joiner and Barbara Maurer.

Men's Bible Breakfast meets every Tuesday at 6:00 a.m. in the Parlor. Men of the congregation who would be interested in joining the group are encouraged to attend.

August 6 – Jimmie Maurer
August 13 – George Breland
August 20 – Joe Green
August 27 – Ronnie Haevischer



ALTAR FLOWERS

August 4 – Johnnie & Marilyn Schroeder
August 11 –
August 18 –
August 25 –

RADIO MINISTRY

*(30-minute program aired on KWHI 1280 AM each Sunday at 12:30 p.m.)
(Cost is \$85 per week.)*

August 4 – Maudie Bates
August 11 –
August 18 –
August 25 – Maurice & Amy Graeber



COFFEE & DOUGHNUTS



August 4 – Mike & Mary Ann Urban
August 11 – Ogradowicz family
August 18 – Education Sunday
August 25 –

ALTAR GUILD ASSISTANTS

*Communion Ware: Marilyn Standlee
Paraments: Ann Muchow & Mary Lueckemeyer*

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Raymond Klussmann, William Krueger, Sue Krueger, Ronnie Hinze



RaiseRight News

The Raise Right gift card fundraising effort sold over \$500,000 in gift cards since 2018 with an average 2.7% rebate return over those 7 years. This final year of sales coupled with the inventory sell-off in June allowed us to close out the program with a donation of \$2600 to Grace Lutheran School. Thank you to all who bought cards over the years to help support our school - you are truly appreciated!



Mission Opportunity – School supplies are now on sale! This would be great time to purchase items needed for our ongoing Mission Project for Lutheran World Relief. LWR distributes these kits to children in the US and around the world. What an opportunity to serve the LORD! Items needed to complete each school kit are: **FOUR** 70-sheet spiral notebooks of wide or college ruled paper, approximately 8x10 ½”, NO loose-leaf paper; **ONE** 30-centimeter ruler, or one with centimeters on one side and inches on other side; **ONE** pencil sharpener; **ONE** pair of blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades); **ONE** box of 16 or 24 crayons; **ONE** 2 ½” eraser.



Kits will be collected throughout the month of August in a plastic tote located between the Narthex and Parlor. (Please put them in a plastic grocery bag, more than one kit can be in each bag.) Thank you for your prayers for this project and for your generous offerings. Monetary gifts will be accepted to cover the additional costs of drawstring backpacks, pencils and pens which we purchase more economically in bulk. Monetary gifts may be given to Eunice Drews, Mary Lueckemeyer, Deb Kunkel, or Marie Watson.

Blessings in Christ,
Grace Lutheran LWML Afternoon and Evening Circles

Texas Confessional Lutherans Free Conference



The Texas Confessional Lutherans annual FREE CONFERENCE will be held on Friday, August 30th and Saturday, August 31st here at Grace Lutheran Church. Rev. Dr Ken Schurb, Administrative Assistant to the President for Missions, Evangelism, Stewardship, and Human Care in the Central Illinois District of The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, will be the speaker. He will speak on the theme of "Walkout-Why?." A catered barbeque meal will be available at noon on Saturday for \$15 per plate. Please make your meal ticket reservation by August 25th. To reserve a meal ticket, for more information or if you would like to help with hosting the conference (providing cookies, serving, etc.), please call or text Wm. or Sue Krueger at 979-421-3740 or email robertlangeinc@msn.com.

PTL Meeting

The first PTL Meeting of the 2024 – 2025 school year will be on Tuesday, August 20, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the Parlor. Follow the school Facebook page for updated information. Hope to see you there...

Choir News

**WELCOME
BACK, CHOIR**

We have an exciting and somewhat challenging schedule for this coming fall. It is exciting because most of the selections are new. It is also challenging because most of the selections are new. Remember, we will begin rehearsals on August 14, 2024 at 6 pm. So, mark that on your calendars.

Talk to some of the new members and invite them to join us. Anyone over 8 years old can join us as long as they can carry a tune. All of the new pieces have complete and easy to find performances online. Looking forward to seeing you all on August 14. ~Pastor Kunkel



Education Sunday

August 18, 2024

Men's Club will provide Fried Chicken & Drinks.

*Each family needs to bring
one side dish AND one dessert (that serves at least 8).
Sides include potatoes, rice, pasta, vegetables and salads.*

Ticket prices: Adults \$8.00 Children (5-12 yrs.) \$4.00


Children under 5 – Free





August 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 Tenth Sunday After Pentecost Pastor Ogradowicz LSB 151 9:00am Worship w/Holy Communion 10:30am SS & BC	29 1 Samuel 16:1-23	30 1 Samuel 17:1-58 6:00am Men's Bible Breakfast	31 1 Samuel 18:1 - 19:24 Summer Day Care ENDS	1 1 Samuel 20:1 - 21:15 Daycare Closed 12:00pm Teacher Appreciation Lunch 2:00pm Ladies Afternoon Circle	2 1 Samuel 22:1-23 Pastor Ogradowicz Day Off Daycare Closed	3 1 Samuel 23:1-29
4 Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost Pastor Ogradowicz LSB 184 9:00am Worship w/Holy Communion 10:30am SS & BC	5 1 Samuel 24:1-22 Daycare Closed	6 1 Samuel 25:1-44 Daycare Closed 6:00am Men's Bible Breakfast 6:00pm PTL Meeting	7 1 Samuel 26:1-25 Daycare Closed 7:00pm Elders	8 1 Samuel 27:1 - 29:11 Daycare Closed 6:00pm Parent Orientation Night	9 1 Samuel 30:1-31 Pastor Ogradowicz Day Off Daycare Closed 9:00am ECE Meeting	10 1 Samuel 31:1-13
11 Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost Pastor Ogradowicz LSB 184 9:00am Worship w/Holy Communion 10:30am SS & BC 4:00pm Nerf Wars (Ages 4 & up)	12 2 Samuel 1:1 - 2:32 Daycare Closed	13 2 Samuel 3:1 - 4:12 6:00am Men's Bible Breakfast First Day of School  8:15am Chapel 7:00pm Ladies Evening Circle	14 2 Samuel 5:1-25 8:15am Chapel 6:00pm Choir Practice	15 2 Samuel 6:1-23 8:15am Chapel	16 2 Samuel 7:1-29 Pastor Ogradowicz Day Off 8:15am Chapel	17 2 Samuel 8:1 - 10:19
18 Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost Pastor Schuller LSB 151 9:00am Worship w/Holy Communion 10:30am SS & BC	19 2 Samuel 11:1 - 12:31 Newsletter Deadline 8:15am Chapel	20 2 Samuel 13:1 - 14:24 6:00am Men's Bible Breakfast 8:15am Chapel 6:00pm PTL Meeting	21 2 Samuel 14:25 - 16:23 8:15am Chapel 12:00pm Trustees 6:00pm Choir Practice 6:00pm GLSB	22 2 Samuel 17:1 - 18:33 8:15am Chapel	23 2 Samuel 19:1 - 20:26 Pastor Ogradowicz Day Off 8:15am Chapel	24 2 Samuel 21:1 - 22:51
25 Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost Pastor Ogradowicz LSB 203 9:00am Worship w/Holy Communion 10:30am SS & BC	26 2 Samuel 23:1-39 8:15am Chapel 7:00pm Council Meeting	27 2 Samuel 24:1-25 6:00am Men's Bible Breakfast 8:15am Chapel	28 1 Kings 1:1 - 2:46 8:15am Chapel 6:00pm Choir Practice	29 1 Kings 3:1 - 4:34 8:15am Chapel	30 1 Kings 5:1 - 7:51 Pastor Ogradowicz Day Off Texas Confessional Lutherans Free Conference 8:15am Chapel	31 1 Kings 8:1-66 Texas Confessional Lutherans Free Conference

