

## GRACE LUTHERAN NEWSLETTER

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL  
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Rev. Ryan Ogrodowicz, Sr. Pastor   Rev. Isaac Schuller, Assoc. Pastor   Rev. William Holzer, Assoc. Pastor  
Rev. Matthew Jacobs, Pastor Emeritus

### PASTOR'S PAGE

**I thank the Lord for you.**

**“I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.” Philippians 1:3-6.** These words were spoken by Paul to the church at Philippi. The church at Philippi was a church that brought great joy to Paul’s heart (Philippians 1:4, 2:2, 4:1). Today I speak the same words to you, “I thank my God in all my remembrance of you...because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now.” When my family and I arrived in Brenham seven weeks ago, we were picked up by Pastor Ogrodowicz with our 24 suitcases/boxes from the airplane trip. He brought us to John and Diane Young’s home that they graciously let us live in until we found a home. Our first Sunday in church, people greeted my family and me with such joy. We received welcome card after welcome card, gift card after gift card. We were pounded with love through the pounding that was collected near the narthex of the church. Many people told us that they had been praying for us. We were also often told, “We are so thankful that you are here.”

We thank God that we are here also. Our transition from California to Texas, from being a sole pastor to an associate pastor/headmaster, was difficult at first. Yet now we are finding our stride. Olivia and Ezekiel are thriving in first grade and Prek-4. Naomi and Esther enjoy staying with mommy at the house. We give thanks to God that we now own a home in Brenham. If you were to ask us now, “Are you getting settled?” We would be more likely to respond with we are getting there.

I thank God for you all because of the partnership we have in the gospel. We know that the word “Gospel” comes from the Greek word “Euangelion,” which means good news. The good news is that Jesus died and rose for the entire world. As Christians, we receive Christ through His Word, Holy Baptism and the Lord’s Supper. I look forward to seeing how we at Grace Lutheran Church and School will partner in the gospel. I thank Christ for all He has done for us. I thank Christ for His gifts, and you are one of them. Christ has begun a good work in us. The Lord be with you.

In Christ,  
**Pastor Schuller**

Worship Opportunities – September, 2023

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

Date: September 3

Pentecost 14 – Proper 17

Texts: Jeremiah 15:15-21; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28

Theme: “Confessing Christ”

Hymns: 531-655-582

(621,596)

Preacher/Text: Ogrodowicz – Matthew 16:21-28

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Date: September 10

Pentecost 15 – Proper 18

Texts: Ezekiel 33:7-9; Romans 13:1-10; Matthew 18:1-20

Theme: “Where Two or Three Are, I Am There”

Hymns: 864 – 820 - 902

(622, 648)

Preacher/Text: Schuller – Matthew 18:1-20

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Date: September 17

Pentecost 16 – Proper 19

Texts: Genesis 50:15-21; Romans 14:1-12; Matthew 18:21-35

Theme: “Forgiving Others”

Hymns: 609-611-496

(623, 625)

Preacher/Text: Ogrodowicz – Matt.18:21-35

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Date: September 24

Pentecost 17 – Proper 20

Texts: Isaiah 55:6-9; Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30; Matthew 20:1-16

Theme: “Seek While He May Be Found”

Hymns: 555 v.1-5, 621, 555 v.6-10

(627, 543)

Preacher/Text: Ogrodowicz – Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30

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## Meetings This Month ....



**Afternoon LWML** will meet on Thursday, September 7 at 2:00 p.m. in the Parlor. Hostesses are Mary Lueckemeyer and Marilyn Standlee.

**Ladies Evening Circle** will meet on Tuesday, September 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parlor. Linda McArthur and Diane Young will serve as hostesses.

**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.

### ALTAR FLOWERS

September 3 – Terry & Karen Schultz  
September 10 – Kathryn Martinez  
September 17 – Allan & Rebecca Moses  
September 24 -



### RADIO MINISTRY

(30-minute program aired on KWHI 1280 AM each Sunday at 12:30 p.m.)

**(Cost is \$85 per week.)**

September 3 – Shirley Paetz  
September 10 –  
September 17 –  
September 24 -



Coffee &  
Doughnuts

September 3 – Alan & Linda Reid  
September 10 - David & Lynette Dahmann  
September 17 –  
September 24 -

### ALTAR GUILD ASSISTANTS

Communion Ware: Ann Muchow  
Paraments: Barbara Maurer & Bev Jaster

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Delphine Addicks, Sandra Addicks, Billy Thaler, Elroy Wellmann



## **Calling all Voices:**



*Grace Lutheran Choir rehearsals are on Wednesday Evenings from 6 -7 pm. No prior training is necessary.*

*The only requirements are that you are able to hold a tune and that you are 8 years old or older. We are particularly in need of men. See you on Wednesday at rehearsal.*

*--Pastor Kunkel*

## **RaiseRight News**

*A huge thank you to all the RaiseRight gift card shoppers this past year! Your purchases contributed to rebates totaling \$1,400 for Grace Lutheran School. All gift cards can be ordered on your phone using the RaiseRight app, online at [www.raiseright.com](http://www.raiseright.com), by contacting coordinator, Sheila Green via phone/text at 713-494-6399, email at [sheilawgreen@gmail.com](mailto:sheilawgreen@gmail.com) or in person before/after service.*

***MARK Your Calendar*** – *This year's Blood Drive is scheduled on October 8, 2023 from 8:30am to 1:00pm. Please see future Bulletins for more information and for more details.*



## **MEMBERSHIP CHANGES As of August Council Meeting**

Baptism:

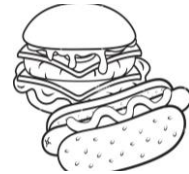
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**Souls: 597**

**Communicants: 513**

# Grace Lutheran Youth League Meeting



Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm-6:00pm.

## Agenda

- Volleyball and fun games
- Burgers and Hotdogs provided for everyone for dinner.
- Devotion and Fellowship
- We will discuss the Higher Things Youth Conference in Arkansas for the Summer of 2024.



**Parents and siblings are welcome.**

This form has been included in this month's Newsletter for your prayerful consideration for the first Sunday of October, which is Stewardship Sunday.


## STEWARDSHIP GOALS

- \_\_\_\_\_ Worship God faithfully and regularly.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Receive the Lord's Supper frequently.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Read and study God's Word, the Bible.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ask God for increase in my spiritual life.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pray for the needs of others in my congregation, community, world.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Commit to God an offering of:
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ Annually
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ Monthly
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ Weekly

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

*"The earth is the Lord's and everything in it, the world and all who live in it." Psalm 24:1*

# September 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>27</b> Pentecost 13 - Ogradowicz - LSB 184 9:00am Worship w/Holy Communion 10:30am Confirmation 10:30am SS & BC	<b>28</b> Jn 4:1-54 7:00pm Council	<b>29</b> Jn 5:1-6:71 6:00am Men's Bible Breakfast	<b>30</b> Jn 7:1-8:59 8:15am Chapel 6:00pm Choir	<b>31</b> Jn 9:1-10:42	<b>1</b> Jn 11:1-12:50	<b>2</b> Jn 13:1-14:31 
<b>3</b> Pentecost 14 - Ogradowicz - LSB 151 9:00am Worship w/Holy Communion 10:30am Confirmation 10:30am SS & BC	<b>4</b> Jn15:1-16:33 HOLIDAY Offices Closed No School Daycare Closed	<b>5</b> Jn 17:1-26 6:00am Men's Bible Breakfast	<b>6</b> Jn 18:1-19:42 8:15am Chapel 4:30-6:00pm Confirmation 6:00pm Choir 7:00pm Elders	<b>7</b> Jn 20:1-21:25 8:30am Ladies Bible Study 2:00pm Ladies Afternoon Circle 4:00pm Volleyball Game at Grace 5:30pm Football Game at Grace	<b>8</b> Acts 1:1-26	<b>9</b> Acts 2:1-47
<b>10</b> Pentecost 15 - Schuller - LSB 203 9:00am Worship w/Holy Communion 10:30am Confirmation 10:30am SS & BC	<b>11</b> Acts 3:1-4:37 4:00pm Volleyball Game in Giddings 5:00pm Football Game in Giddings	<b>12</b> Acts 5:1-42 6:00am Men's Bible Breakfast 7:00pm Ladies Evening Circle	<b>13</b> Acts 6:1-8:40 8:15am Chapel 4:30-6:00pm Confirmation 6:00pm Choir	<b>14</b> Acts 9:1-43 8:30am Ladies Bible Study	<b>15</b> Acts 10:1-11:30	<b>16</b> Acts 12:1-25
<b>17</b> Pentecost 16 - Ogradowicz - LSB 184 9:00am Worship w/Holy Communion 10:30am Confirmation 10:30am SS & BC	<b>18</b> Acts 13:1-14:28 Newsletter Deadline 3:30pm Volleyball Game at Grace 4:30pm Football Game at Grace	<b>19</b> Acts 15:1-35 6:00am Men's Bible Breakfast	<b>20</b> Acts 15:36-16:40 Fair Holiday - NO SCHOOL DAYCARE OPEN 12:00pm Trustees 4:30-6:00pm Confirmation 6:00pm Choir 6:00pm EECE	<b>21</b> Acts 17:1-18:23 Fair Holiday - NO SCHOOL DAYCARE OPEN 8:30am Ladies Bible Study	<b>22</b> Acts 18:24-21:16 Fair Holiday - NO SCHOOL DAYCARE OPEN	<b>23</b> Acts 21:17-23:35
<b>24</b> Pentecost 17 - Ogradowicz - LSB 151 9:00am Worship w/Holy Communion 10:30am Confirmation 10:30am SS & BC  4:30-6:00pm Youth League	<b>25</b> Acts 24:1-26:32 7:00pm Council	<b>26</b> Acts 27:1-28:31 6:00am Men's Bible Breakfast 6:30pm Men's Club	<b>27</b> Rm 1:1-2:29 8:15am Chapel 4:30-6:00pm Confirmation 6:00pm Choir	<b>28</b> Rm 3:1-4:25 8:30am Ladies Bible Study 4:00pm Volleyball Game at First Baptist Brenham 5:30pm Football Game at Grace	<b>29</b> Rm 5:1-21	<b>30</b> Rm 6:1-23

