

The Scroll

Grace Lutheran
Church

January 2022

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

COUNCIL MEETING

Nov 10, 2021

7:00 P.M.

'Serving all people by sharing God's Word and Gift of Grace'

Present: Vice Pres. Nick Walk, Hollie Stewart, Yvonne Halvorson, Gene Haugom, Lori Hole, Gary Walter, John Carlson, Wade Farrell, Ann Brekken, Jim Ferden, Dorothy Sandberg, Dean Bernard, Vasa from Maid of Perfection.

Call to Order: Vice Pres. Nick called the meeting to order in Jason's absence.

Devotions: Nick lead us in devotions about "putting Jesus first" over the Christmas season based on Luke 2:7. In our busy world it can be hard to choose to keep Jesus first. It takes an active and daily choice to put Jesus first. May we ask God to help us to choose wisely. Jesus is the only one worthy of our time and attention.

Approve Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda by Gary. Seconded by Wade. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report: Lori moved to approve Oct. minutes. Seconded by Ann. Motion carried.

Financial Secretary's Report: Dorothy reported.

A very big month with a lot of activity. Yvonne moved to approve. Seconded by Wade. Motion carried. (Report on file).

Treasurer's Report:

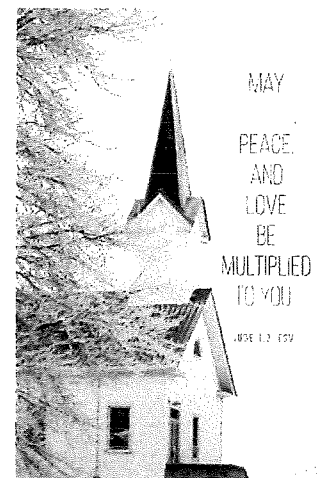
Cash Flow Report

- Undesignated funds available to be used for November's General Fund expenses totaled \$28,995.71. This amount was nicely above the month's General Fund expenses totaling \$18,854.39.
- Congregational giving to the General Fund was \$12,039.02. The monthly budget goal is \$16,880.54.
- Noteworthy Other Giving:
 - o Anonymous Donation - \$2,962.58.
 - o Meatball Supper proceeds - \$3,000.00.
 - o General Fund Donation (in memory of Jan Stuhaug) - \$5,000.00
 - o Grace Food Shelf Donation (in memory of Jan Stuhaug) - \$2,500.00

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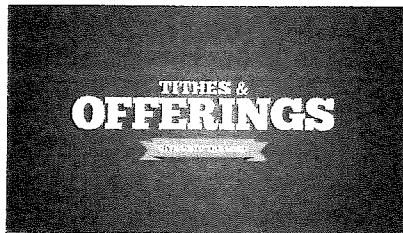
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The Grace Lutheran Church Council will meet in regular session on Wednesday January 12 at 7:00 PM. All meetings are open to members of Grace unless otherwise stated.



November 28th:

Attendance~60
Offering~\$1,177.00

December 5th:

Attendance~ 0 (no service due to weather)
Offering~\$660.00

December 12th:

Attendance~70
Offering~ \$5,370.00

December 19th:

Attendance~132
Offering~\$1,441.00

December 26th:

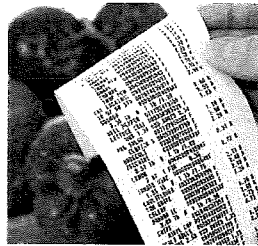
Attendance~27
Offering~\$1,480.00



The WNALC are off for the winter months. They will return in the Spring.

Hope Circle: January 27th, 2:00 PM at the church

Rebecca Circle: January 27th 6:30 PM at the church.



REMINDER – Please save your grocery receipts from Groceries Plus in Erskine and Jered's Grocery in McIntosh. Both stores are donating 1 percent of the total purchases to the youth group. There is a container for the receipts at the church in the hallway by the coat racks.

**GRACE TO UKRAINE
UPDATE**

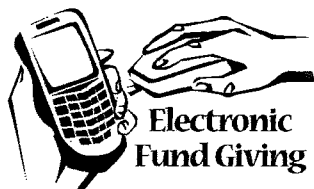
Greetings my beloved brothers and sisters in Christ!

Happy Thanksgiving Day!

Today is a special day for each of us. We all give thanks to God for all His blessings in our lives. We gather with our families and give thanks for God's grace, mercy in our everyday life. Today from all my heart I give thanks for Grace to Ukraine ministry. God is good and faithful. He continues bless Ukrainian nation because of your faithfulness. Each of you is a special gift from God. Your prayers about our ministry give us strength and your donations make possible for us to do ministry and spread Gospel in our country. Each of you makes a great investment in building God's kingdom. Because of your help you participate in supporting pastors, deacons, and other ministers, you help handicapped people, you feed needy people, family with many kids, you help homeless and people with different addictions to hear Gospel, you help in education in pastoral, family, youth, men, women and kids ministry conferences, you take part in evangelism projects and camps... God is good and merciful. Let all glory will be only for Him.

Camp ministry 2021 This summer 2021 was time of great opportunities for ministry. Last summer 2020 we didn't have opportunity to have camps and evangelisms because of Covid

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Giving Options

Not only can you give through your offering envelope on Sunday morning, but our church offers other options to receive your offering:

Automatic Giving – You can set up monthly or weekly automatic deductions from your bank account. Contact the church office (218-687-4035) for a form to complete.

Online Giving – There are several links throughout our website (www.gracechurcherskine.org) that will allow you to give a one-time or regular donation from your bank account, credit card, or debit card.

Mobile Giving – You can utilize your mobile device and scan the following code –



Benevolence Ideas

Our church has several special funds to meet needs that can't be met through our General Fund. Currently, these special funds are: Building Improvements, Grace Youth Group, Joy Ride Fund, Oil Candle, Sunday School Improvements/Supplies, Sunday School Outreach, Video Ministry, Vacation Bible School, Worship Hearing Aids, 'Men of Courage' Men's Group, and Shoebox Funds. In addition, our church houses the Grace Food Shelf and we ask for donations on their behalf as well as for the After School Backpack Program. Finally, our church is a part of the Grace Cemetery Association and we ask for donations on their behalf for the maintenance of the Synod, Pioneer, and Fairview Cemeteries in rural Erskine. Please contact Jim Ferden if you have any questions.

November 2021 Financial Summary

Congregational Offering to the General Fund - \$12,039.02

Expenses:

Administrative - \$6,993.93

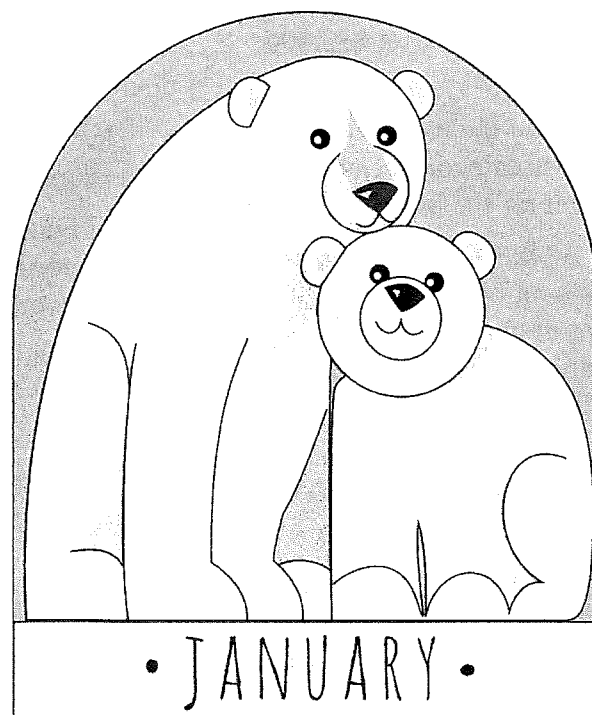
Education - \$307.80

Mission Outreach - \$6,528.00

Pastoral - \$2,980.26

Worship - \$2,044.40

Total Expenses - \$18,854.39



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- o Grace Cemetery Association Donation (in memory of Jan Stuhaug) - \$2,500.00.
- o Bible Stick donations - \$778.00.

Some of the noteworthy expenses this month included:

Administration – Workers Comp: This is the 2022 premium.

Mission Outreach – Miscellaneous: Passing through donations to the Grace Food Shelf, the Grace Cemetery Association, for bible sticks, and to the Grace Backpack program.

Pastoral – Personal Compensation: Carryover of payroll taxes for Pastor Tsena due to timing.

Worship – Worship Aids: Purchase of 100 WOV hymnals.

Budget Report

- We ended the month at approximately 16% or \$32,500 under budget.
- All of the major budgeted expense categories ended under budget for the month.
- Workers Compensation is well over budget due to the payment of the 2022 premium in addition to the extra premiums for 2021.

Worship Aids are over budget due to the purchase of WOV hymnals.

History of Regular Giving to the General Fund Report

- November's giving was down from October.

- It was the lowest giving in 2021 since July.
 - Looking back since 2011, this was the 5th lowest offering for the month of November.
 - Year-to-date giving continues to be above last year at this time.
- Otherwise, year-to-date giving is the lowest since 2014.

History of the General Fund Balance

- The November balance reflects a significant increase from the October General Fund balance.
- Highest balance ever!

Increase due to high level of undesignated miscellaneous donations in November.

Account Balances Report

- Building Fund - Reflects donations made during the month and expenses for the separate elevator phone line (\$38.91) and the new sidewalk in front of the church and parsonage (\$12,226).
- HS Scholarship Fund – Reflects donation.
- Oil Fund – Bldg Upkeep reflects a portion of this month's oil/gas revenue.
- Oil Fund – Church Emergencies reflects a portion of this month's oil/gas revenue.
- Oil Fund - Missions reflects a portion of this month's oil/gas revenue.
- Organ Fund – Reflects maintenance expense (\$279).

- Shoebox Fund – Reflects donations and postage expense (\$625).
- SS Fundraiser Fund – Reflects a donation and purchase of chairs/desks (\$622.12).
- SS Outreach Fund – Reflects Sunday School offerings, the monthly donation of \$38 to Compassion International, and the grocery expense of shopping and donating food to the Grace Food Shelf.

Stained Glass Window/Banner Fund – Reflects a donation from the Grace Mission Circle.

Other Information

- I continue to work with the Trustees in reviewing the property and liability insurance coverages.
- I met with the Trustees on 12/6 to develop a budget for 2022.

December will be busy getting prepared for year-end: W2's, 1099's, and the numerous reports for the annual meeting

Gary made the motion to approve the report. Seconded by John. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report: No church or Sunday School due to snow. 14 students were here for Confirmation tonight. Friday will be Rosie Kolstad's funeral at 2:00 p.m.

Committee Reports:

Stewardship: Lori reported. No report did not meet.

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GRACE COUNCIL, continued

Education: Ann reported. 65 shoe boxes were sent on the 14th. Ann was very pleased with that amount of participation.

On Nov. 21 the 5 & 6th graders went to the Food Shelf. They got a tour and learned about how the Food Shelf works.

They picked up a list of needs and then went up town to Groceries Plus and purchased about \$500 of groceries. The students went shopping with money collected from the Sunday School and when they got to the store Jason matched their funds. We are so appreciative to him for his support. The students sent Thanksgiving cards to people on the prayer list or shut in.

They received a very nice Thank You from Lee and Lorna Nielson. Dec 19th the Sunday School Christmas program will be held during the service. This Sunday the junior high students will be going to WalMart to purchase Christmas gifts for five people from the Giving Tree. Ann had ordered the chair desks, however, the order got delayed so Ann is still shopping for replacements, or may choose to wait out the delayed order. Calendars came in and will be ready for disbursement.

Ann wants to thank Pastor for starting Confirmation. We have 14 students. We are so thankful for the number of participants and to Pastor.

Youth Group: Jim reported. Calendars are in.

NALCW: Hollie reported.

Tomorrow there will be an opportunity to meet (unofficially) from 4:30-6:00. Hollie will be on hand with others and they will make envelope cards to send to people on the prayer list or anyone you wish to include. Also, if you want to come to knit on your prayer shawls you are welcome. Hollie is going to be available on the normal meeting date during the winter to do activities such as these. We are so grateful to her for her leadership.

<http://WNALC.com> website has some very good information regarding many NALC activities. Hollie noted that the Disaster Response is not included in the NALC budget so all financial support comes from donations (for example: The Mission Banks that our WNALC ladies do). Also, that website has youth group information for activities that our youth could help with. One would be to assist in getting the items dispensed that are donated for NALC Disaster Response. Our items, when sent in, go to a gathering place in Chatfield MN. They also show many options for different kits that can be made, instead of just the "flood buckets". The ladies will discuss some of this when they get together on Thursday.

Trustees: Wade reported. (will be discussed in the business items)

Deacons: Gene reported Pastor visited with them this evening. Provided rides to appointments of members. Also provided rides to people who need to get to differ-

ent towns that they either cannot or aren't comfortable driving in. Brought communion cups out to the home. They talked about in volunteering we need to remember that "you may be the only person" some of these individuals see in a day.

Video Tech: Nick reported. Nothing new. Garden Valley played a former service on Sunday since we had no services. Nick set up a service to play on Facebook & YouTube. Audio equipment still on backorder and may arrive in February. Looking forward to doing more training with our young people on, not only the PowerPoint, but also the Tri-Caster as they become more familiar with the equipment.

Food Shelf: Gene reported. Thank you to Ann for bringing in the youth to learn about the Food Shelf and the importance of volunteerism. Last month we had 1,942 pounds of food. Took in 2,488 pounds, so we've gained some inventory. On Thanksgiving we had 27 families served and we spent \$1,267 on meals. They have helped to feed 500 people so far this year. Tomorrow they will be receiving donations from the 6th grade from Win-E-Mac School. We served a total of 25 families this month.

Welcome Committee: No report

Old Business:

Education Building Roof: Wade reported. On hold. Still waiting on labor quotes.

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restrictions but God renewed mercy for us this year. Over 700 kids heard about Jesus in 8 camps during summer time. I wish to share two stories about camp ministry.

Story 1 This story happened in the village Hiyche. The local government didn't have finances to build a recreation zone for kids. Our believers build it by their own hands and donated part finances for material. This became well known to all citizens of that village and it opened doors for us to do children ministry there. We had 180 kids there in the camp. We planned to have only day camp till 5 pm there but kids asked a permission to stay longer. So we needed to change our plan and we had each evening extra time till 10 pm. We made a fire and had conversation with kids and young people. They had hundreds questions on spiritual topics, they shared their life stories and problems. We gave them answers and advise using Bible and biblical principles. It was great time. A lot of kids started to visit Sunday school after that camp.

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Story 2 Another story happened in village Kamianka. We had wonderful camp there 6 years ago. There were 50 kids. But orthodox priest from local community became very angry and gathered near 30 people (some of them were criminals). They came and started to curse and bully camp staff and kids. They spread bad words, gossip and lie about evangelical believers in that village. So parents didn't allow their kids to come to the camp any more. We were very upset, fasted and prayed about that situation but it was like close doors for evangelism there. All these six years we tried to do . So parents didn't allow their kids to come to the camp any more. We were very upset, fasted and prayed about that situation but it was like close doors for evangelism there. All these six years we tried to do something good for that community. We send missionary family to live there, we started Sunday school for local kids, we helped elderly people and even tried to fix road in that village. But we didn't see any result there. Last autumn that orthodox priest died. This spring one lady from educational department (that department controls all public schools in our area) met us and thanked us for our ministry to kids. Her child was in one of our camps and told a lot of good things about us. She expressed desire to help us in our summer camp activity. We told her that we wish to have camp in village Kamianka and shared a story which happened 6 years

ago. She talked to some people in local government and they gave us 3 school buses for us to bring kids from 4 villages. They gave us tractor and we fixed a sandy road to that village. We had 270 kids in that camp and near 70 adults watched our program. We rent tents and inflatable slide for kids but that people refused to take money from us when they visited our camp. Public schools and all educational system are separated from religious activity in Ukraine. So it was a miracle to use for free school buses and to have 4 school principals who agitated kids to visit our camp. It was powerful testimony for that community. So now we have near 30 kids in Sunday school there.

Evangelism God blessed us to start street evangelism each Thursday in central part of Lviv. From 50 till 70 people each Thursday hear about Christ in "High Castle" street church ("High Castle" is a well-known place of interest in Lviv. There are a lot of people there and because of it it is a good strategic place for ministry there). My friend Nazar has a gift of evangelism. People are eager to listen Gospel sermon and each of them get a free donut after it. Also we have evangelist Jura. He preaches Gospel in public transportation. Street sermons about Christ are different from church sermons. The evangelical truth is the same but preachers are using more simple and understandable

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GRACE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Jason Carlson	President	563-2490
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Dorothy Sandberg	Financial Secretary	687-3575
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Gene Haugom	Deacon	563-3292
Gary Walter	Deacon	687-3074
John Carlson	Deacon	
Wade Farrell	Trustee	563-2216
Dean Bernard	Trustee	687-2105
Ann Brekken	Superintendent / Education	687-2205
Sarah Strom	Education	687-3488
Shelly Juve	Education	687-2929
Cassie Senn	Education	687-3313
Hollie Stewart	Pres. WNALC	687-3730
Lori Hole	Stewardship	687-3585
Tyler Brekken	Stewardship	687-2205
Bobbi DuChamp	Stewardship	687-3000

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR
JANUARY**Second Sunday of Christmas**
January 2, 2022

First Reading - 1 Kings 3:4-15

Psalm - Psalm 119:97-104

Second Reading - Ephesians 1:3-14

Gospel - Luke 2:40-52

Baptism of Our Lord
January 9, 2022

First Reading - Isaiah 43:1-7

Psalm - Psalm 29:1-11

Second Reading - Romans 6:1-11

Gospel - Luke 3:15-22

Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 16, 2022

First Reading - Isaiah 62:1-5

Psalm - Psalm 128:1-6

Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 12:1-

11 Gospel - John 2:1-11

Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 23, 2022

First Reading - Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Psalm - Psalm 19:1-6, 7-14

Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Gospel - Luke 4:16-30

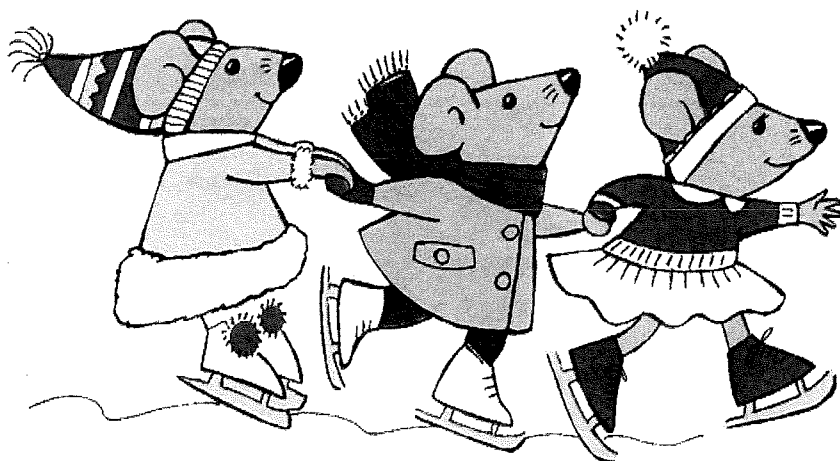
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
January 30, 2022

First Reading - Jeremiah 1:4-10, 17-19

Psalm - Psalm 71:1-6, 7-11

Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:13

Gospel - Luke 4:31-44



GRACE COUNCIL, continued

Key cards: Have been installed. Thank you Garden Valley for getting this done so quickly. Jason wrote the contract and sent us the document for review and approval. Only change will be the addition of the key number will be added to the policy. Ann made the motion to approve the policy with the revision of adding the key number. Gary seconded. Motion carried.

Youth led services. Ann reported. We really don't have anything new to report. Pastor has some ideas about getting the Confirmation students involved. We will just keep working to move forward.

Nominating Committee. Nick reported. There are a lot of holes to fill on the ballot. Please prayerfully consider getting involved.

Space Needs. Ongoing discussion. A space study must be done that is based on need. We have not defined our needs yet. There has been some discussion with the Food Shelf about the possibility of a new space built to provide for them. The Food Shelf has an advisory meeting in January and will address this issue too. Much discussion still needed. We want it to be very well prepared and consider many different options. In dealing with Sunday School space our problem is that the rooms are very small. We have enough rooms, but we need them to be larger. Perhaps some removal of walls can be a possibility.

Another consideration could possibly be a large multi-purpose room. We have much to consider and a great deal of "food for thought". Plans are to have more discussion at our Retreat. The Retreat date has not been set, but the possible dates to consider would be the Saturday morning on either the 15th or the 22nd. We want the Retreat to be held prior to the Annual Meeting. We will set a date at next month's meeting.

New Business:

Maid of Perfection Cleaning (Revisit) Wade introduced Vasa and she gave us a run-down of her services. She explained why she would need to charge a higher fee per month. Vasa wanted to know more specifics about the services we want on a weekly/monthly basis. We decided to have her work and keep track of the cleaning for a month and then we will revisit our needs and make revisions if necessary. Gene moved to hire Maids of Perfection, Dean seconded. Motion carried.

Designation of Thanksgiving Offering \$25.00.

Designation of Christmas donations that are usually kept more local.

Designation of Oil Mission Funds are about \$500. Traditionally these funds we've given to the Ukraine. Yvonne made a motion to add the Thanksgiving Offering to the Oil Mission Funds and donate them to Grace to Ukraine. Holly seconded. Motion carried. We will discuss

We will discuss the Christmas offering in January.

Call Committee Nick reported we need to start thinking about possible members who would be good to serve. We would like to have a good mix to represent our congregation. Jason may need to be coordinating the committee with the NALC protocols. We will try to submit our thoughts on some names within the next week or so to either Jason or Nick. We hope to have a committee in place for approval at the Annual Meeting the end of January.

Discuss Council Meeting Time We will leave it at 7:00.

Discuss and approve 2022 Budget- Jim reported. The total Pastor's Compensation basically reflects a placeholder and those dollars could change based upon who we hire and what the experience is. Gene made the motion to accept and approve the proposed budget. Hollie seconded. Motion carried.

Announcements

Next month's meeting date is January 12 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjourn**The Lord's Prayer**

Respectfully submitted,

Yvonne Halverson



DID YOU KNOW?

Grace Lutheran church has a beginning foundation of 7 people dedicated to praying 24/7.

Pastor Tsena made an invite to begin a prayer group to have someone praying intentionally each day of the week.

Each of the 7 have one day of the week dedicated to prayer. Our first goal and prayer would be to increase our numbers to 31 persons anxious to participate in communicating with God and growing in relationship with Him and our community.

The 7 of us meet Monday evenings from 6-7 pm in the church basement. Why? To share our week experiences with growth in prayer. Encouragement to continue prayers that "seem" unanswered and give thanks and celebration for the answered and to be answered prayers.

"Pray without ceasing" 1 Thessalonians 5:17. A huge task especially when we do not live a cloistered life.

So, we are learning from scripture, the Holy Spirit and each other to **DEPEND ON GOD, PRAY REPEATEDLY AND OFTEN, STAY STEADFAST AND BE DISCIPLINED.**

"Praying without ceasing is as easy as breathing when you make prayer **part of your lifestyle.**

That way it pleases God and satisfies Paul's advice. Therefore, you can pray while you work, while taking a shower, while waiting at

a stoplight, and while doing everything else in the course of a day.

You do not have to kneel, prostrate yourself on the floor, look toward heaven, or close your eyes to pray. Audible praying is just one way to pray. Let prayer be **part of your lifestyle.**" Rev. M. Minnicks

Would you join us on Mondays, and we will share with you our focused prayers for this church, community, country, universal church and more. We need you!
24/7 Group



- * Jerome Strand
- * Rosie Kolstad
- * Everett Osland
- * Paul & Bev Stennes
- * Burton Stennes
- * Steve & Linda Evenson
- * Steve Jacobson
- * Becki Haugen
- * Don Lundin
- * George & Pat Osland
- * Bruce McWilliam
- * Jolene Bradley
- * Dean Lindberg
- * Mark Thompson
- * Torrey Erickson

OUR CHURCH'S HISTORY

It was in the early 1920's that Mrs. Skogerboe, seeing the need for an organization which would help in the Christian growth and guidance of girls started the Dorcas Society, later called the L.D.R. (Lutheran Daughters of the Reformation). The meetings were sometimes held in the homes and sometimes in the church parlors. The girls did much handiwork, under adult supervision. The many lovely articles were sold at sales, and the money used for mission work. The girls' inspirational programs consisted of devotions, songs, and readings. Many faithful mothers helped carry out this work.

Two of the girls from those L.D.R. meetings went on to serve in the mission field. They are Judy (Skogerboe) Hyland, and Clara Jones. When Rev. and Mrs. Onstad joined our community, the L.D.R. continued its good work under the leadership of Mrs. Onstad. As the mission fields were thoroughly studied, the girls learned that missions of people have not heard of the way of salvation, and there is much work to be done.

GRACE TO UKRAINE, con't words. People who attend street church are mainly homeless and hopeless. They usually are not welcome in regular churches but Jesus was preaching Gospel to everybody and we try to do the same. Also it is a good chance to let tourists to hear about Christ.

Educational ministry We have educational program for pastors, preachers of local churches in my area once a month. Once a month we organize program for all young people from village churches. This is a good time of fellowship. Once a month we have regional fellowship for sisters. Recently we had a day of women prayer. The main idea of such meetings is to give main biblical education, to give comfort and opportunity for fellowship, to give more opportunities for ministry, to build friendly relations between churches, to organize common evangelism projects together.

Rehabilitation ministry In the beginning of November I participated in conference where we taught church leaders how to work with people who have addictions. We had 80 people from 30 churches there. Each rehabilitation center presented their program. Pastors shared their experience and we build a program how to join our efforts in order to help homeless, alcoholics, drug users, prostitutes, ex prisoners... We made a plan for individual help, we build a strategy how to organize help in churches and how to make network in each city.

Church planting ministry The situation with evangelical churches in Ukraine is different than in USA. The population of Ukraine is near 42 million people. We have 460 cities and 30000 villages in Ukraine. 60% of all people in Ukraine live in cities and 40% in villages. There are only 400 000 evangelical believers in Ukraine (near 1% from all population). So there are many villages and towns in Ukraine without evangelical churches at all. So in my area I teach churches how to organize new churches in villages. Each church over 100 people needs to start a new church and support one of village churches. I teach how to organize small group ministry, how to organize a ministry team in the church, how to start missionary work in new area, how build right relationship with local people..... Also we organize youth from several churches and do some social projects in areas where we plan to start a new church.

Marriage counseling We had less than 1% of divorces in evangelical families 20 year ago. Right now we have near 20% of families who are face with divorce problem. Because of economical situation people look for job in another countries. People get income in 2 or 3 times more in Poland than in Ukraine. There are a lot of temptations when Christians are far away from their families for a long time without church. I with my beloved wife Luda council families who have crisis in their relationship. We

invite them to our house and spend couple days together. We had one camp for families in August and one retreat for broken families in October. I am glad that several families whom we counseled decided to stay together. Also I am leading marriage preparation counsel by zoom.

Children ministry We have whole year Sunday school program for children. We glad to have camps in summer but bigger result we have when we spend time with kids during the year. We divide kids in age groups and have biblical lessons for them each Sunday. Also we organize birthday celebration (just tea and homemade cake) for kids in church building and invite their parents because of that we reach also parents. We organize regular trips to zoo, forest, mountains and lakes ([n summer). Kids usually say: "We feel that you love us!" And they invite other kids.

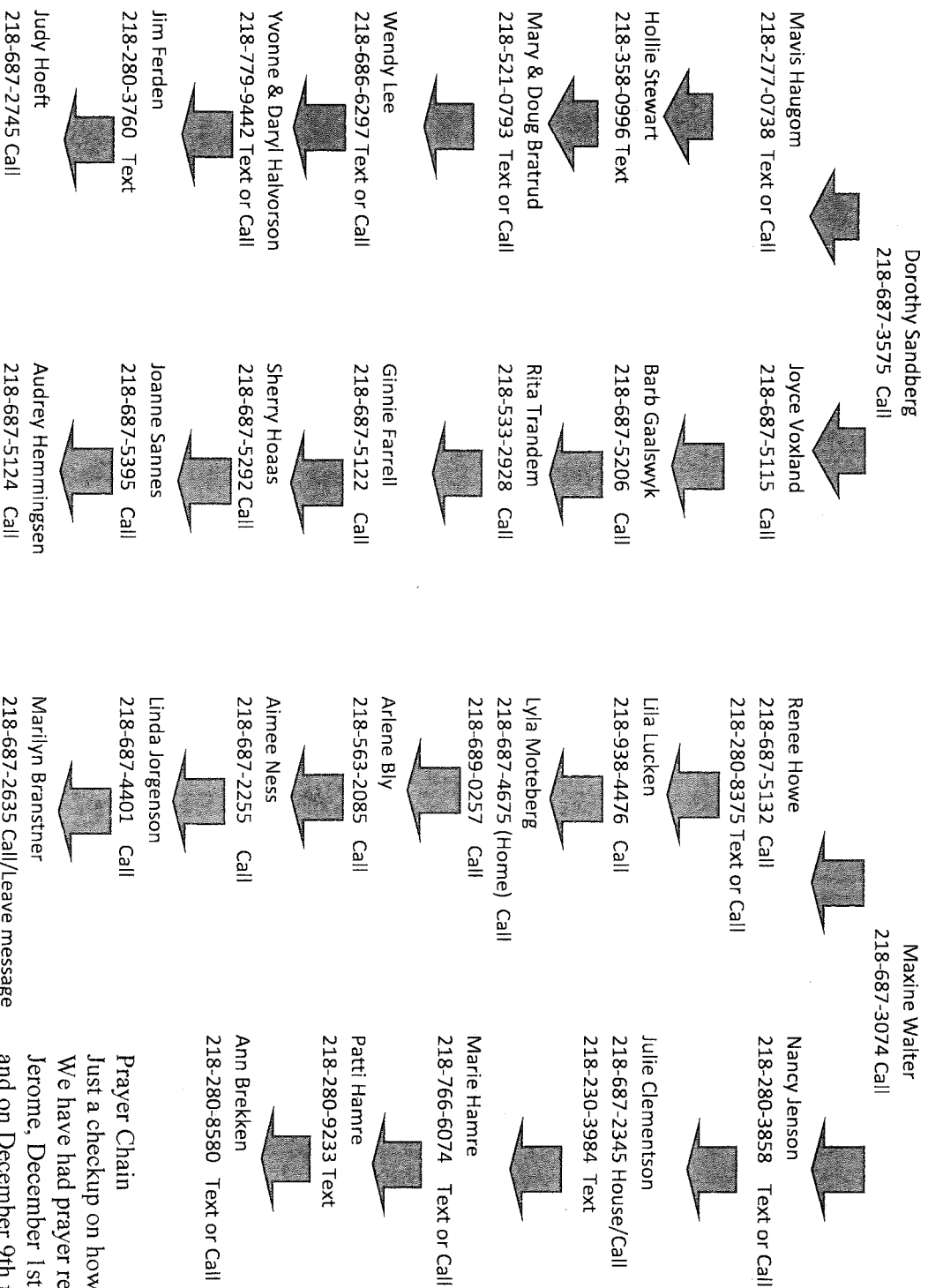
Christmas project We plan to have Christmas project "Bring Joy of Christmas to Each House". We plan to prepare 100 food supply packages for needy families. Youth is preparing carols. We plan go from house to house and give New Testaments and Christian calendars, give food supply for elderly people and needy families, give Christmas gifts for orphans. Usually we do such activity each year. Praise to the Lord my family are doing good. They help me in the ministry. May God bless you! We are very thankful for your prayers and support.

Prayer chain

** UPDATED: December 19, 2021

For a prayer request, please contact the top two people below.
If you do not receive an answer or acknowledgement when you call,

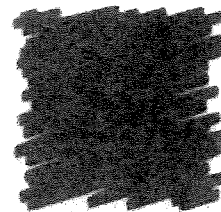
please contact the next person on the list.



** PRAYER CHAIN PARTICIPANTS, PLEASE KEEP AND USE THIS UPDATED COPY.

PLEASE CHECK IF ALL OF YOUR INFORMATION IS CORRECT, ESPECIALLY YOUR PHONE NUMBERS.

Prayer Chain
Just a checkup on how the prayer chain is working.
We have had prayer requests on November 21st for
Jerome, December 1st for Jennifer,
and on December 9th for Al.
If you have not been receiving the prayer requests,
please contact the person above you
on the list.
If you would like to be on the prayer chain or have
questions, please contact
Mavis Haugom at 218-563-3292. Keep praying!

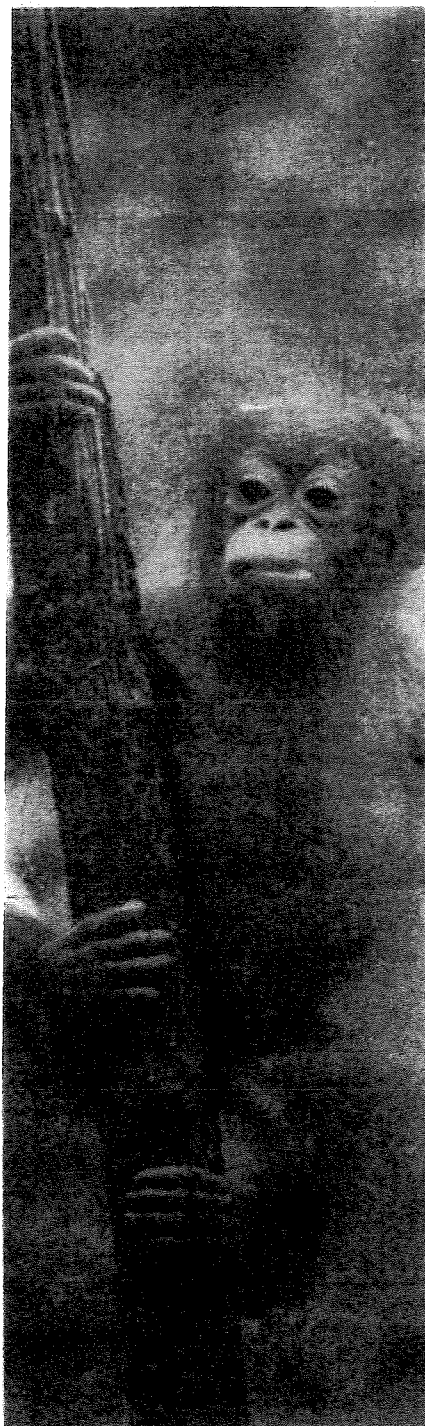


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Letter to my sponsor

Tanggal (Date) 07-10-2021



Shalom
Hallo friends apa kabar? ran baik-baik Prins dan keluarga ada dalam keadaan sehat dan dibarekahi Tuhan, sama seperti ran dan keluarga juga sekiranya dalam keadaan sehat juga. Puji Tuhan karena saat ini ran masih bisa membaca surat dari friends dan sekiranya sudah ran sudah mulai aktif kembali dan mulai bisa bergabung kembali ke kesehatan dan puji Tuhan sekiranya ran masih mengikuti ujian tengah semester ran berharap ran bisa mendapatkan nilai yang memuaskan seperti ujian kemarin, ran juga sangat senang karena sekiranya kegiatan di PPA sudah mulai aktif kembali meskipun jam istirahat di sekolah, tetapi ran sangat senang karena bisa bertemu dengan teman-teman. Oh ya... bagaimana dengan kegiatan friends saat ini? apakah menyenangkan? sedang musim apakah

Translation

October 7th, 2021. Peace be with you, hello there. How are you doing? I hope that you and your family are all well and blessed by God, me and my family are all well here. Thank God that I can have the chance to write to you there, I am so happy to go to school and can be active again here. But we all need to follow the health protocol, thank God that I can do well with the mid-term exams. I hope that I can get good result on the exams, I am happy that I can go to the Project again here. Even though there is time limitations, I am happy to meet all my friends here. How is the activities that you do there now? Do you have fun there?



di sana? Pasti keadaan Frinds disana sangat menyenangkan,
dan ingin bertanya hoby apa yang Frinds sukai apakah
kalah sekarang dan sudah pernah bermain bola, dan
belajar musik lewat kasempatan ini agar Frinds
selalu mendoakan dan dari keluarga begitu juga
dan selalu sehat dan selalu dalam lindungan Tuhan terima
kasih atas surat yang sudah Frinds kirimkan dan
sangat senang dan terima kasih juga karena Frinds mas
sudah mendoakan dan sampai saat ini sampai disini
aku selalu dari dan selalu selalu selalu dari dan buat Prina

Translation

How is the weather there in your place? I know that you are
well there, what is your hobby there? I like to play soccer
and learn how to play music too, please pray so me and my
family here can be in good health and protected by God.
Thank you so much for the letter, I am so happy with it.
Thank you for sponsoring me until now, that is all from me.
Thank you so much, may God bless and be with us all.

Translation

JANUARY 2022

Grace Lutheran Church

at the church
at the church

CIRCLES

Hope
Rebecca

Ushers :
Dean Bernard
Jim Hoffmann

Communion Assistants:
Paul Mahlen
Mavis Haugom

Altar Flowers:
Rebecca Circle

Altar Guild:
Betty Lundin

R= Reader
A=Acolyte
P=Power Point

JANUARY 2nd:
R~~ Mary Bratrud
A~~
P~~

JANUARY 9th:
R~~ Joanne Sannes
A~~
P~~

JANUARY 16th:
R~~ Jason Carlson
A~~
P~~

JANUARY 23rd:
R~~ Yvonne Halvorson
A~~
P~~

JANUARY 30th:
R~~ Dorothy Sandberg
A~~
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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