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and Gift of Grace”*

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# The Scroll

**Grace Lutheran  
Church**

November 2022



## Annual Deer Hunters Meatball Supper Sponsored by Grace Lutheran Church

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**Saturday, November 5, 2022**

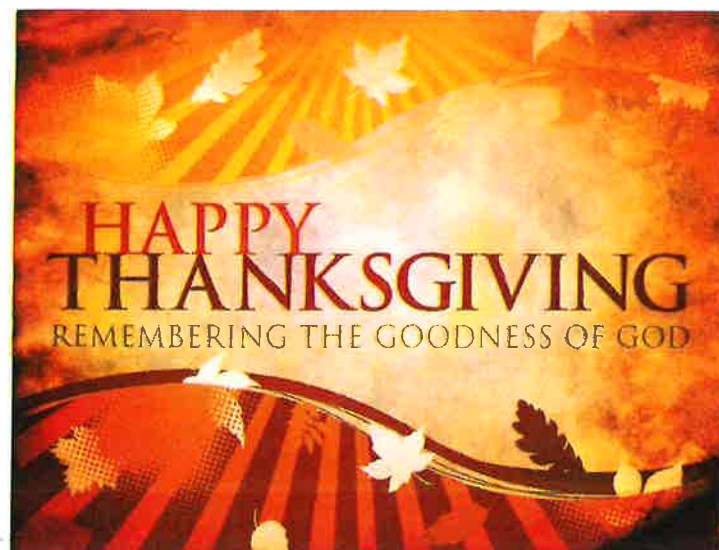
**Serving from 5:00-8:00 p.m.**

**Curbside “To Go” from West Alley at**

**Erskine Community Center**

**Cost: Free Will Contribution**

**Everyone Welcome!**





The Grace Lutheran Church Council will meet in regular session on Wednesday November 9th at 7:00 p.m. A reminder that all regular council meetings are open to all members of Grace Church.



**October 2nd:**  
Attendance~72  
Offering~\$4,150.00

**October 9th:**  
Attendance~102  
Offering~\$2,895.00

**October 16th:**  
Attendance~70  
Offering~\$1,400.00

**October 23rd:**  
Attendance~68  
Offering~\$1,900.00



The Grace WNALC will meet on Thursday November 10th at 2:00 p.m. Group #1 will serve. All women are invited to attend.

**Hope Circle:** November 23rd at 9:00 AM at the church

**Rebecca Circle:** November 17th at 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 1percent 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.



- \* Marlene Ross
- \* Laurie Coleman
- \* Maci Smeby
- \* Allen Jenson
- \* Everett Osland
- \* Steve & Linda Evenson
- \* Steve Jacobson
- \* Becki Haugen
- \* Judy Boucher
- \* Jolene Bradley
- \* Mark Thompson
- \* Torrey Erickson
- \* Mark LaPlante
- \* Rita Trandem
- \* Bruce Solberg
- \* Pr. Joel Kangas
- \* Nursing Home members
- \* Grace Call Committee
- \* Ukraine



September 2022 Financial Summary

Congregational Offering to the General Fund - \$12,368.00

Expenses:

- Administrative - \$5,871.23
- Education - \$1,046.44
- Mission Outreach - \$1,499.22
- Pastoral - \$2,958.90
- Worship - \$431.87
- Total Expenses - \$11,807.66



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](http://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 Maintenance/Improvements, Sunday School Outreach, Vacation Bible School, and Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes. In addition, our church houses the Grace Community 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 2022**

*Grace Lutheran Church*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
6 9am-ABS 9:15am-Sunday School 10:30am- Worship w/Holy Comm.	7 9:30am-LBS 10am- Worship Re-broadcast 6pm-24/7 Prayer Group	8 8:00am-MBS 2pm-BSF 8pm-AA mtg.	9 1:55pm-RT Class 7pm-Rebroadcast 7pm-Council Meeting	10 2pm-WNALC 3-7pm-Food Shelf is open	11 VETERANS DAY	12 9am- Rebroadcast 5-8pm- Deer Hunter Meatball Supper (curbside to go, west alley only)
13 9am-ABS 9:15am-Sunday School 10:30am- Worship w/Holy Comm.	14 9:30am-LBS 10am- Worship Re-broadcast 6pm-24/7 Prayer Group	15 8:00am-MBS 2pm-BSF 8pm-AA mtg.	16 1:55pm-RT Class 7pm-Rebroadcast	17 10a-2pm-Food Shelf is open 6:30pm-Rebecca Circle	18	19 9am- Rebroadcast
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27 9am-ABS 10:30am- Worship	28 9:30am-LBS 10am- Worship Re-broadcast 6pm-24/7 Prayer Group	29 8:00am-MBS 2pm-BSF 8pm-AA mtg.	30 1:55pm-RT Class 7pm-Rebroadcast	Greeters: 6th: Matt & Sarah Strom 13th: Terry & Heidi Strom	20th: Brian & Lisa Stuhang 27th: Keith & Linda Stuhang	

\*CIRCLES\*  
 Hope at the church  
 Rebecca at the church

Ushers :  
 Terry Strom  
 Allen Jenson  
 Brian Stuhang family  
 Tony Stuhang family  
 Communion Assistants:  
 Jim Ferden and Barb Gaalswyk

Altar Flowers:  
 Rebecca Circle

Altar Guild:  
 Maxine Walter

R= Reader  
 A=Acolyte  
 P=Power Point

NOVEMBER 6th:  
 R~ Jason Carlsson

NOVEMBER 13th:  
 R~ Paul Mahlen

NOVEMBER 20th:  
 R~ Tyler Brekken

NOVEMBER 27th:  
 R~ Jim Ferden

A~  
 P~



# SHOEBOX GIFT SUGGESTIONS

## "WOW" ITEM

- outfit
- shoes
- musical instrument
- soccer ball with pump
- stuffed animal
- doll

## TOYS

- toy cars
- jump ropes
- yo-yos
- toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries)

## ACCESSORIES

- socks
- hats
- sunglasses
- hair clips
- jewelry and watches
- flashlights (with extra batteries)

## NON-LIQUID HYGIENE ITEMS

- toothbrushes
- bar soap
- washcloths
- combs

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- pens, pencils, and sharpeners
- crayons and markers
- notebooks and paper
- coloring and picture books
- solar calculators

## A PERSONAL NOTE

- a message to the child
- a photo of yourself, your family, or group

*If you include your name and an address, the child may be able to write back.*

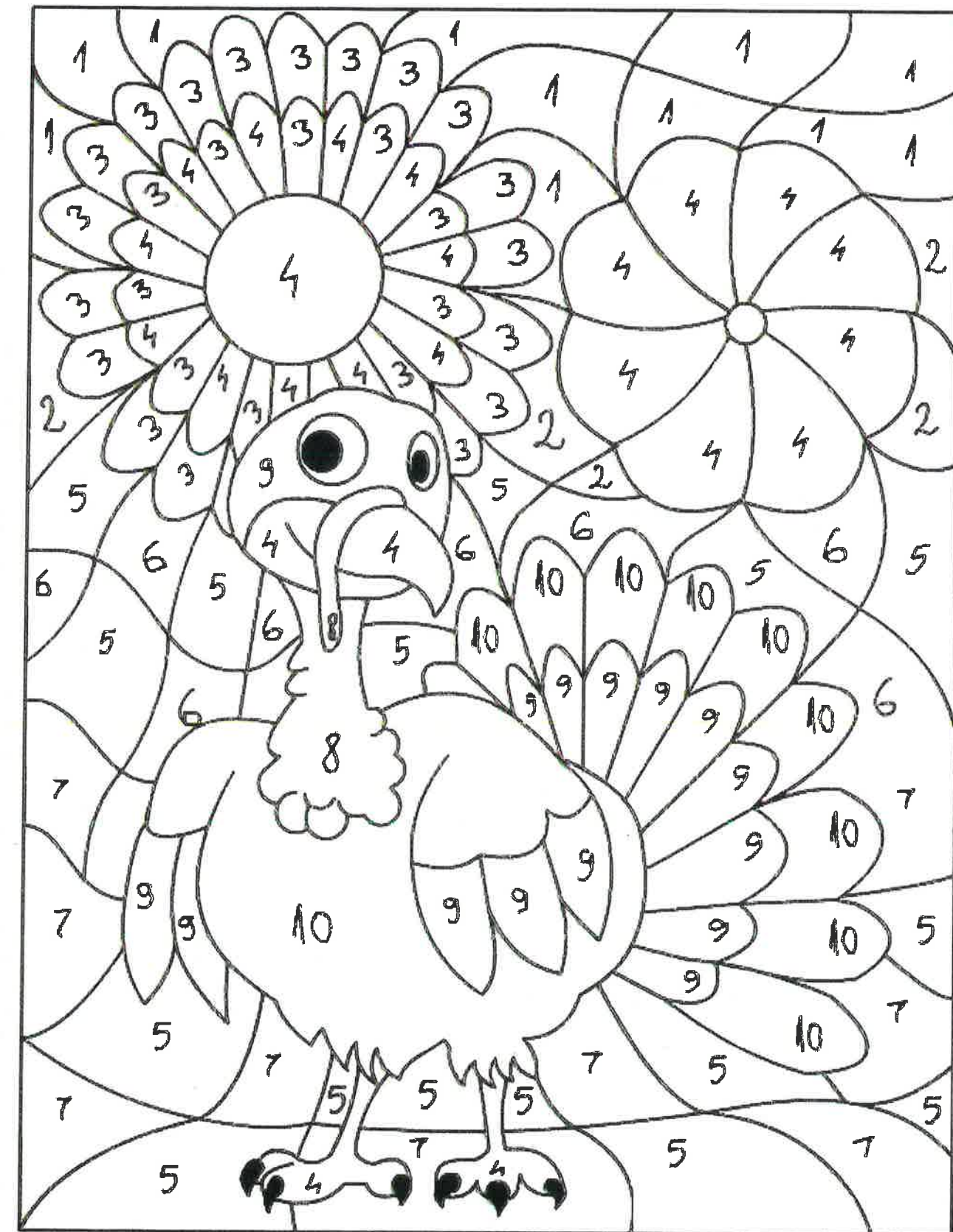
## QUALITY CRAFTS

- hair bows
- finger puppets
- friendship bracelets

*Check out the Operation Christmas Child boards on Pinterest for specific suggestions.*



**Do Not Include:** Candy; toothpaste; used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.



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**GRACE COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Jason Carlson	President	563-2490
Nick Walk	Vice President	637-2219
Yvonne Halvorson	Secretary	687-5190
Dorothy Sandberg	Financial Secretary	687-3575
Jim Ferden	Treasurer	563-2377
Gary Walter	Deacon	687-3074
John Carlson	Deacon	
Gene Haugom	Trustee	563-3292
Wade Farrell	Trustee	563-2216
Ray LaBrecque	Trustee	
Ann Brekken	Superintendent / Education	687-2205
Sarah Strom	Education	687-3488
Pam Walk	Education	637-2219
Shar Hill	Education	
Hollie Stewart	Pres. WNALC	687-3730
Lori Hole	Stewardship	687-3585
Tyler Brekken	Stewardship	687-2205
Becky Lindseth	Stewardship	

**LECTIONARY READINGS FOR NOVEMBER**

**All Saints Sunday**  
 November 6, 2022  
 First Reading - Revelation 7:2-8, 9-17  
 Psalm - Psalm 149:1-9  
 Second Reading - 1 John 3:1-3  
 Gospel - Matthew 5:1-12

**23rd Sunday after Pentecost**  
 November 13, 2022  
 First Reading - Malachi 4:1-6  
 Psalm - Psalm 98:1-9  
 Second Reading - 2 Thessalonians 3:1-5, 6-13  
 Gospel - Luke 21:5-28, 29-36

**Christ the King**  
 November 20, 2022  
 First Reading - Malachi 3:13-18  
 Psalm - Psalm 95:1-7  
 Second Reading - Colossians 1:13-20  
 Gospel - Luke 23:27-43

**First Sunday of Advent**  
 November 27, 2022  
 First Reading - Isaiah 2:1-5  
 Psalm - Psalm 122:1-9  
 Second Reading - Romans 13:8-10, 11-14  
 Gospel - Matthew 24:36-44



**Multi Community Thanksgiving Dinner**

November 24th 2022

5pm-8pm

**For takeout** pick up times will be set up in 10 minute intervals. Please wait in your car until your pick up time. Someone will get your box ready for you and set it up for you to grab. Your name should be on the box.

**For delivery** the food will be left outside your door and the driver will knock to let you know it's there.

If you know someone in need please call and add them to our list. We will do our best to serve those who need us. Everyone should have a Thanksgiving dinner. No one in need will be turned away until the last.

These services are done thru volunteer work and generous donations. Donations can be dropped off at American State Bank in Erskine/Holiday Meals Account run by Erin Green.

**Call or text 218-280-2992 to get on a list or ask questions**



**SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS**

The Grace Sunday School is once again filling shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child.

Their Sunday for Operation Christmas Child Collection Sunday is on November 6th.

Sunday School children will sing in church on this day.

Here is how you can help:

\*A list of gift items can be found on page 4 of this newsletter or at the back of the church sanctuary.

\*Shipping donations are welcomed. Samaritan's Purse recommends a donation of \$10 per box. You can send cash or make a check payable to Samaritan's Purse.

\*Prayers-Please pray for the recipients of our boxes and the students collecting and sending them.



**1st~**



All Saints Day

**6th~**



Daylight Savings Time ends



All Saints Sunday

**11th~**



Veterans Day

**24th~**



Thanksgiving Day



Hello Everyone!

I'm saying everyone because we have some great and amazing things to be thankful for this month and it's all of us. We had a great night at the auction on the 12th making money for missions.

We started with Dave Lindseth in the kitchen rolling his homemade lefse and Becky at the Lefse stick and griddle doing the frying. It was so good and the bidding for the package and single slice brought in a good chunk of our final total. Thank you so much for all the work and bringing back our lefse tradition. The men were in the kitchen at the same time dishing up pie and ice cream for the free social before we got under way. Thank you men! We look forward to this. This all set the tone for the bidding with Joe McMullen who graciously donated his time for us this year again. His daughter Jennifer was also here to help, keeping things moving and fun. Thank you Joe and Jennifer for your time and expertise and helping us have a good time spending money. You were doing God's work.

Then we had Maxine and Dorothy at the table moving things up to bid and Jareth, Addie and Ainsley for helping deliver items to bidders and Becky for keeping track of our item totals and bidding and Barb for collecting those totals. Thankyou Becky for chairing the auction

and all the work you put in to making the auction happen. You are very good at organizing and knowing what needs doing when.

AND to all of you who brought the food, canning, baking, crafts, quilts, woodwork, artwork, produce, and all the other items that make this sale 'something for everyone', THANKYOU! For all this work and fun, after another donation, our final total for missions for the night was...\$8000. Many hands, many hearts, giving God the glory! Thank you all!

Right around the corner, we have our Deer Hunter's Meatball supper coming that first weekend of 'good luck and missed shots', November 5th. Becky Lindseth is chairing this event, also. Thank you Becky! Once again we will have the drive thru in the alley of the community center. This has worked out well for serving and for patrons. Money raised from this event goes to the Grace Lutheran general fund and funds disbursed by the council. See an ad for details elsewhere in this scroll. Thank you for your support of this event!

Our next meeting, on Nov. 10th, will be our last before our winter break. We will be honoring those who turn 80 in 2022 with a devotional book. We will also be holding elections for the coming year. There will be an officer meeting at 1:00p.m. before our regular meeting to make a list to present to members for disbursement of funds

from the auction and monies received during the year from offerings and donations. These will be voted on and Barb will send out before the end of the year. Another blessing has been given to Grace Lutheran. A large gift has been received by Grace church, anonymously. Of this gift, \$2000.00 has been designated to Grace WNALC. This will be added to the mission dollars we have to give to others for a total of \$10,000.00. God has blessed us though these people who want no recognition except what He sees. Thank you and God bless you if you read this. WOW!

I hope you will all have a gathering at Thanksgiving time and many blessings to give thanks for. I will and I do. God's Blessings to each of you.

~Hollie



### Thanksgiving Prayers from Scripture:

**Psalm 95** - "Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods..."

**Psalm 100** - "Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations."

**Psalm 118:29** - "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever."

**Psalm 103: 1-5** - "Praise the LORD, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits - who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with

good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's."

**Psalm 136:1-5** - "Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good. His love endures forever. Give thanks to the God of gods. His love endures forever. Give thanks to the Lord of lords: His love endures forever. to him who alone does great wonders, His love endures forever. who by his understanding made the heavens, His love endures forever. who spread out the earth upon the waters, His love endures forever. "

### We Gather Together

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;  
He chastens and hastens His will to make known;  
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing;  
Sing praises to His name;  
He forgets not His own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,  
Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine;  
So from the beginning the fight we were winning:  
Thou, Lord, wast at our side—  
All glory be Thine!

We all do extol Thee, Thou Leader triumphant,  
And pray that Thou still our Defender wilt be.  
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation:  
Thy name be ever praised; O Lord, make us free!

