ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY



November 1, 2026 – 10:00am

Land Acknowledgment
We recognize that we gather on the ancestral lands of the Ojibwe, Ho Chunk, and Dakota. We acknowledge their leaders, past, present, and emerging.

Gathering

Prelude Fantasy on "Sine Nomine" *Jan Bender*

Welcome

Opening Hymn For All the Saints (verses 1, 2, 3, & 7) *#422*

Apostolic Greeting
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day
Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen

Word

Children's Message

The First Reading is from Psalm 34.
1 I will bless the LORD at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.
2 I will glory in the LORD;
let the lowly hear and rejoice.
3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;
let us exalt God's name together.
4 I sought the LORD, who answered me
and delivered me from all my terrors.
5 Look upon the LORD and be radiant,
and let not your faces be ashamed.
6 I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me
and saved me from all my troubles.
7 The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD
and delivers them.

8 Taste and see that the LORD is good;
happy are they who take refuge in God!
9 Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD,
for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.
10 The lions are in want and suffer hunger,
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
22 O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

Word of God, Word of Life.
Thanks be to God!

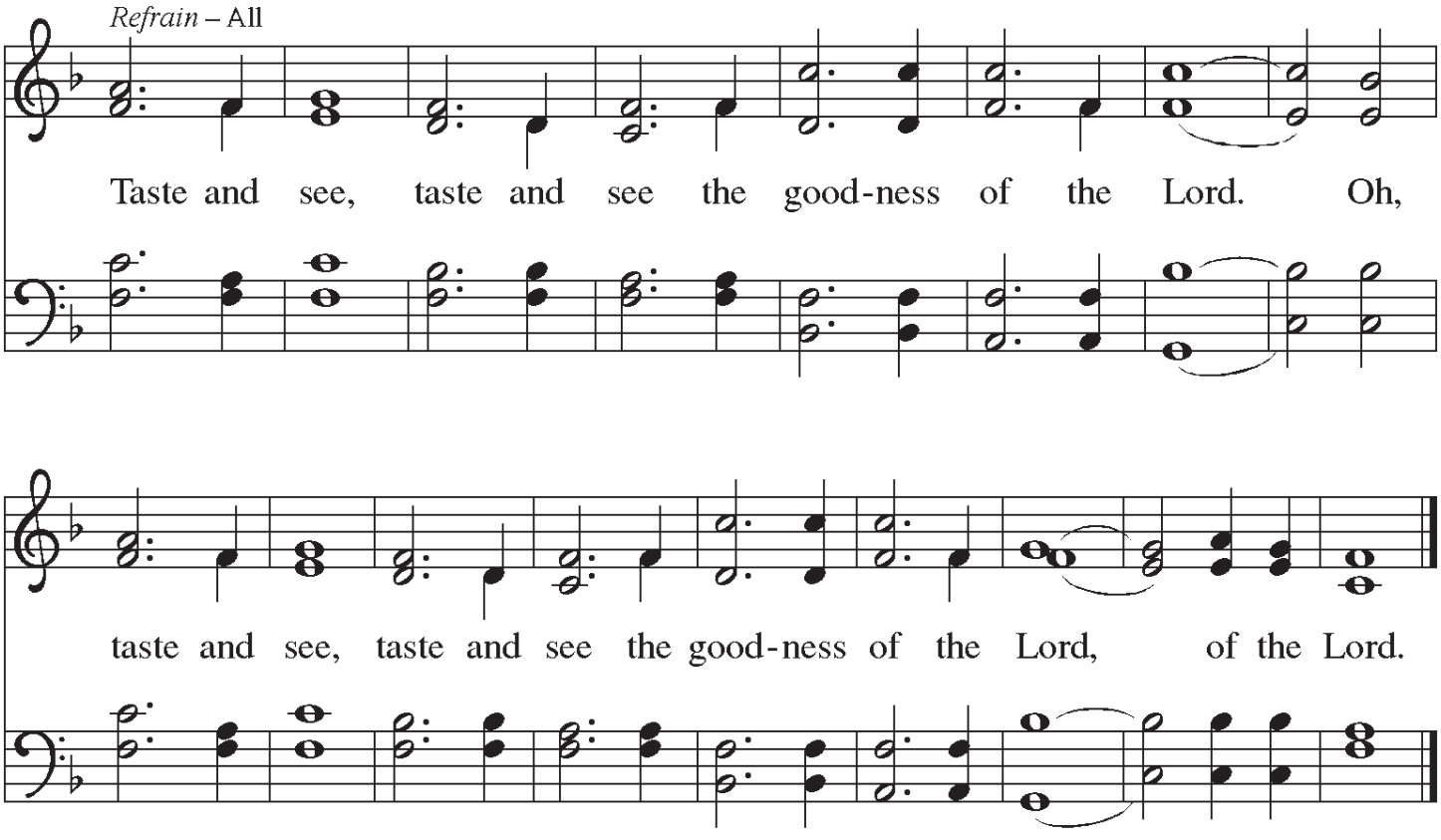
The Second Reading is from 1st John, Chapter 3.

1 See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. 3 And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Word of God, Word of Life.
Thanks be to God!

Anthem The Beatitudes *Arthur Jennings*

Gospel Hymn Taste and See



The Holy Gospel for today is from Matthew, Chapter 5.
Glory to you, O Lord.

1 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down,
his disciples came to him.
2 And he began to speak and taught them, saying:
3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
5 "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be
filled.
7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
10 "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
11 "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all
kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your
reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets
who were before you."

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Pastor Phil Ruge-Jones

Hymn We Know That Christ Is Raised #449

Apostles' Creed
I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the Church and Lighting of Candles in Remembrance
United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

. . . God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

With grateful hearts we remember all who have died and now rest from their labors

Amy Benson	Jean Kassera	Larry Parizek
Gail Champion	Norman Kassera	Kenneth Reidi
Shirley Dehning	Helen Knight	Carol Solie
Dick Eberhardt	Avis LaRock	Annalee Stone
Nancee Ann Eberhardt	Bob Lipke	Joan Stone
Robbie Joern	Annette Olson	
Gary Kassera	Jim Page, Sr.	

After these names have been read, each person may come up to light a candle for loved ones who have died in times past.

Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.
Amen.

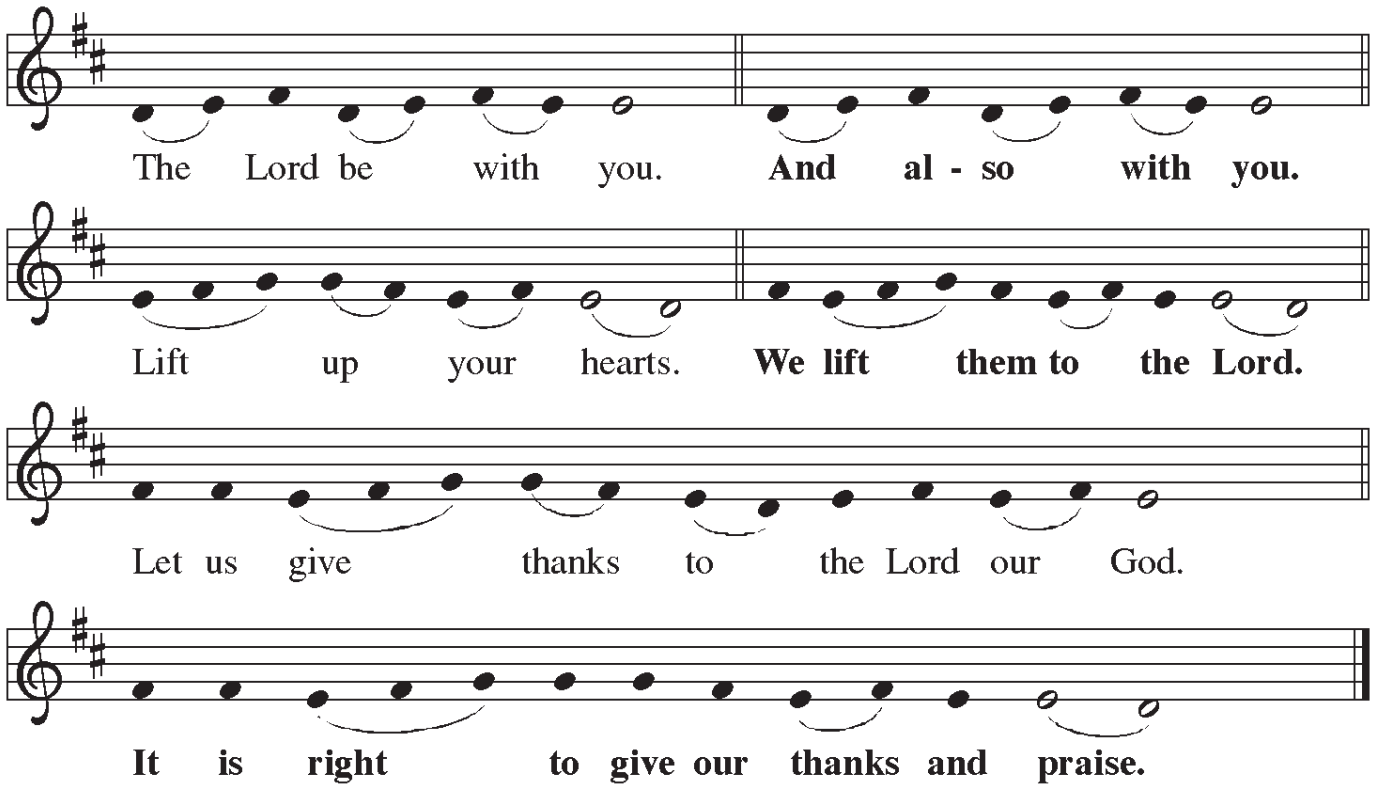
Peace

Meal

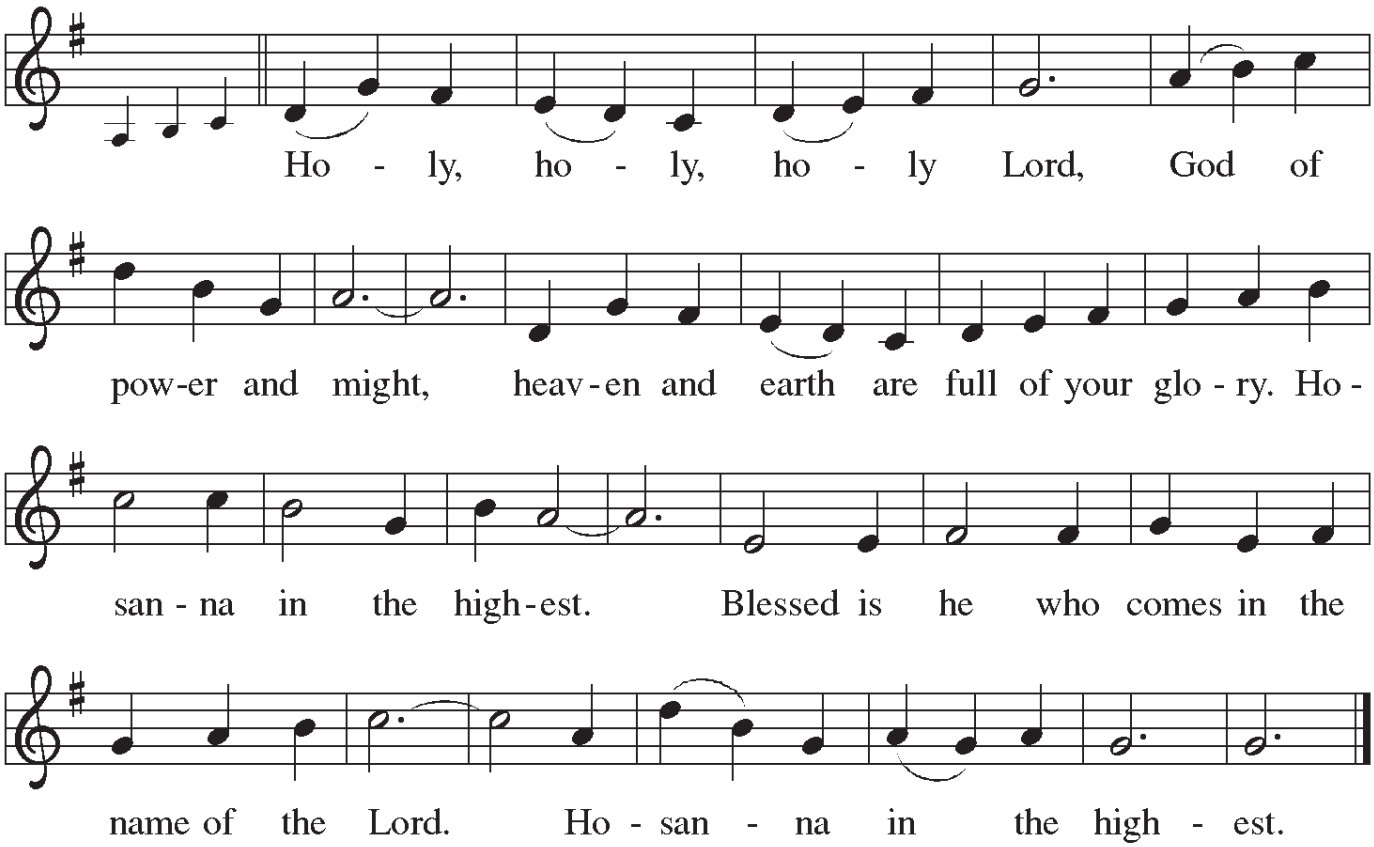
Offering

Offering Prayer
Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer

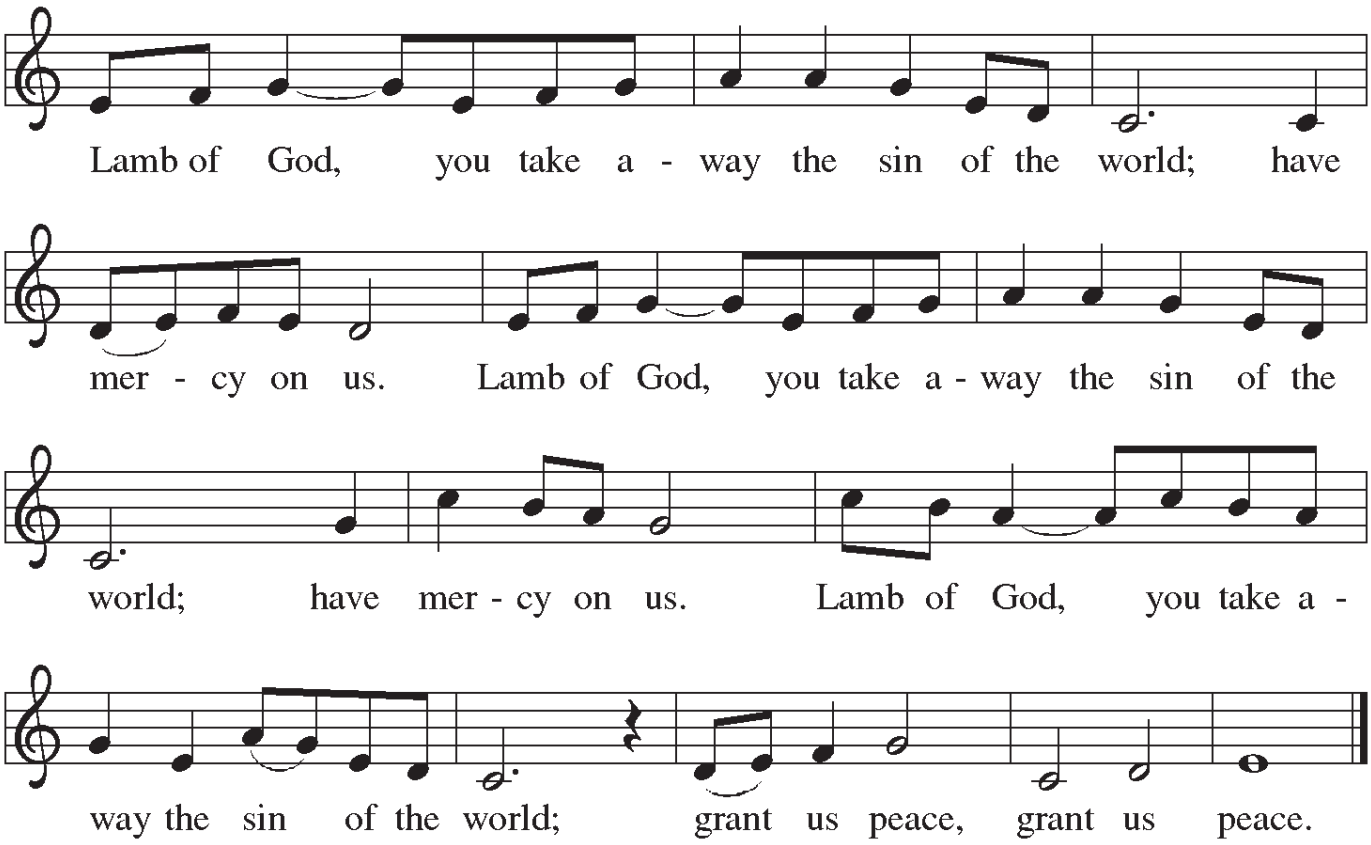
Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

Communion

Our communion bread is gluten free and the communion cups with clear liquid have grape juice instead of wine.



Prayer After Communion
Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever.
Amen.

Sending

Blessing

Sending Hymn Sing with All the Saints in Glory #426

Dismissal
Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude All Creatures of Our God and King *Wayne Wold*

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Minister: Pastor Phil Ruge-Jones
Assisting Minister: Molly Wilson
Reader: Jan Adams
Organist: Elaine Mann
Choir Director: Dr. Ryan Rogers
Pacibells Director: Karen Lionberger

Weekly Calendar

Sunday (1st)
All Saints' Day
Daylight Saving Time Ends
Coffee Hour – 9:30am
Worship – 10am

Monday
All Souls' Day
Scouts – 6pm

Tuesday
Election Day – Office Closed
Prayer Group – 11am
ADRC – Strong Bodies – 1pm

Wednesday
Crafters – 9am
Text Study – 12noon
AA meeting – 7pm
Choir Rehearsal – 7pm

Thursday
ADRC – Strong Bodies – 1pm
Pacibells Rehearsal – 6pm

Sunday (8th)
Coffee Hour – 9:30am
Worship – 10am

Other groups using the building this week: Brighter than Sunshine, ECWiT, Theater Guild, Randall Park Neighborhood Association, Alcoholics Anonymous

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
2026-11-1

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Office Closed

The church office will be closed this Tuesday as Pastor Phil and our office manager Andrew Reid will be working as poll workers for the midterm elections. Thank you for your understanding.

The Crafters' Thank You

The Crafters' want to thank the entire congregation to let you know that you are appreciated and we thank you for your support and generosity.

Because of you, Our Congregation, through your support and efforts we were able to have a very successful and truly a unique event. We thank you all so very much.

Your donations, purchases, and help enabled us to have a very successful sale. This year we are able to give $2,000 to Beacon House with enough left to purchase supplies for next year.

We owe a special thanks to Suzette and Jon for demonstrating how to make Krumkake. It was a big hit. We also need to acknowledge Jan Adams for redesigning our ad (we had several people comment on it). Also, thank you Pastor Phil, Andrew, and Matt, with helping to set up and tending to our many, may requests.

Again thank you to everyone, we couldn't do it without you.

The Crafters of Grace Lutheran Church

Grace Pacers Hiatus

After a successful and fun season of walking and talking, the weather has convinced the Grace Pacers to take a break until Spring.

This Summer we walked 1–2 miles every Tuesday followed by fellowship and treats at church. We got to know each other better and formed some new friendships as well. Please join us next year. Watch for announcements about when we'll start up again.

Spiritual Care

Grace Lutheran Communities is offering an accompaniment opportunity.

The Spiritual Care department provides spiritual, emotional and social support residents and family members within Grace Lutheran Communities. Volunteers are a crucial part of our program, so we are looking for individuals who might be interested in visiting with residents on a regular basis: weekly, bi–weekly or monthly.

Spiritual care volunteers are assigned to individuals after an assessment of needs/interests by the department. Some examples of volunteer support include: life review, discussion about faith/support systems, activities/cards/games, walks, devotionals/readings, prayer, emotional and social support.

Volunteers are supported individually and as a group with quarterly lunch meetings (food provided), ongoing education, and regular check–ins with the director.

If you have any questions or are interested in signing up to be a spiritual care volunteer, please contact Jordan.

Jordan Berg, Director of Spiritual Care
(715) 598–7815
Jordan.berg@graceluthfound.com



Sunday, November 22
2:00pm, pre-concert talk
2:30pm, concert
at Grace Lutheran Church

Tickets available at the door
Adults: $30, Under 21: Free



Come and join your church family and listen to classical music performed in our sanctuary.

ECCO Concert

Join other Grace members as we gather to listen to the Eau Claire Chamber Orchestra on November 22, 2026 2:00pm pre–concert talk, 2:30pm concert at Grace Lutheran Church.

Sounds from the Theatre

ECCO presents overtures that started in the theatre and only later were exported to concert halls.

- Overture to A Midsummer Night's Dream, Felix Mendelssohn
- Concerto for Bassoon, Nino Rota featuring soloist Alex Widstrand
- Overture to Coriolan, Op. 62, Ludwig van Beethoven
- Symphony No. 26 in D minor "Lamentatione", Franz Joseph Haydn
- Overture to The Silken Ladder, Giachino Rossini

Tickets at the door. Adult: $30, Under 21: Free.



JOYS OF CHRISTMAS Sponsor

Grace Lutheran Communities is pleased to offer employees of our owned and managed programs the opportunity to participate in our “Joys of Christmas” program.

This program is designed to support families in need by providing Christmas gifts for their children ages 0–18 years old. If you wish to sponsor a child or family, please complete the information below, and you will be matched with a child or family in need. Sponsors should anticipate spending approximately $50 per child sponsored.

If you prefer to support the program financially, monetary donations may be dropped off or mailed to the address below by **Sunday, December 6th**: Grace Lutheran Communities Corporate Office 256 N. Willson Drive Altoona, WI 54720

The gift requests for your assigned child(ren) will be sent to you via email by **Wednesday, November 25th**.

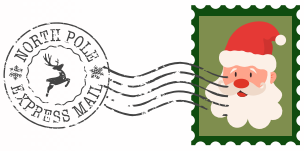
All gifts will need to be dropped off at our Corporate Office by **Wednesday, December 9th** to allow for time for gift distribution. Thank you for helping bring joy to families in our communities this Christmas season!

Name:

Email:

Telephone:

How Many Children Would You Like To Sponsor:



SCAN ME

For more information, please contact Stephanie Faherty at: stephanie.faherty@graceluthfound.com



Please submit your completed form by
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2026
if you chose to be a Sponsor.
Thank you!



Stewardship Reminder

If you've forgotten your Pledge Forms or Time and Talent sheets more are available in the back of the Narthex. Please return them to the office by November 15. Thank you.

Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers this week were given by Elaine Mann in memory of her husband Gerry Mann. Thank you.

CVCB Veterans Day Concert

The Chippewa Valley Concert band will perform their Veterans Day concert on November 8th. Selections include the Revolutionary War hymn Chester and a medley of Benny Goodman pieces. The concert is at DeLong Middle School and it will begin at 2pm.

Church Office Hours

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Services are live streamed Sundays at 10am on:

- Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/gracelutheraneauclaire/
- Youtube embedded in our website: https://grace–church.org/our–ministry Bulletins may also be found on the same page.

Recordings of worship services are broadcast Sundays 10:30am on WQOW Channel 18, Cable 9, 618HD (every other week)

Past services are posted at "Grace Lutheran Church ELCA Eau Claire Wisconsin" YouTube page — http://grace–church.org/our–ministry

Do you have information for the bulletin and Grace at a Glance? Deadline is Wednesday by 2:00 p.m. by emailing Andrew at info@grace–church.org or by calling the office at 715–832–9713