


# Lamplighter

“Believe. Belong. Be Sent”

January 2024



Grafton Lutheran  
will be hosting the Sunset  
Home's monthly  
Birthday Party on  
**January 12<sup>th</sup> @ 2PM.**  
Everyone is encouraged  
to join their loved ones  
at the party.

*All year end reports due by:  
Wednesday, Jan. 10, 2024  
4:00pm*

*Please bring to the office  
or email it to  
[office@grafftonlutheran.com](mailto:office@grafftonlutheran.com)  
Thank you.*

## ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

Grafton Lutheran will be holding its  
Annual Meeting following Worship on  
**January 21<sup>st</sup>**

Following the meeting a Potluck will be held.

**All members are asked to come and please stay  
for the meeting and potluck.**

Please call the church office (352-2638)  
if you need of child care  
in order to attend the meeting.

# January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 9:00 am Quilters meet at GLC	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship 11:00am Congregational Care Meet	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 6:00 pm 7 grade Confirmation 7:00 pm 8-10 grade Confirmation <b>ANNUAL REPORT DEADLINE</b>	<b>11</b> 2:00 pm Sunset Home Birthday Party Hosted by GLC	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship	<b>15</b> 9:00am Circle #5 Meets 6:30pm Council Meets	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 9:00 am Quilters meet at GLC 6:00 pm 7 grade Confirmation 7:00 pm 8-10 grade Confirmation	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am <i>Annual Meeting</i> <i>with potluck to follow</i>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 5:30pm Choir Practice	<b>24</b> 9:00 am Quilters meet at GLC 5:30pm JuBellation	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> No Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship	<b>29</b> 7:00 pm Park River Bible Camp Annual mtg <b>LAMPLIGHTER DEADLINE</b>	<b>30</b> 9:30 am Ruth Circle 5:30pm Choir Practice	<b>31</b> 9:00 am Quilters meet at GLC 5:30pm JuBellation 6:00 pm 7 grade Confirmation 7:00 pm 8-10 grade Confirmation			

# Memorial Gifts

## Radio Fund:

- ◆ In memory of Loretta Beckman (Bev Thompson's Mother) by Jim & Norma Rystedt
- ◆ In memory of Ann Thompson by Kristan & Darren Demers
- ◆ In memory of Marlin Torkelson
  - ◇ Diane Torkelson
  - ◇ Tom & Deb Torkelson
- ◆ In memory of Glori Bradshaw by Gwen Horter

## Cemetery Fund:

- ◆ In memory of Marlin Torkelson by Harlan Thompson

## Choir Music Fund:

- ◆ In memory of Mark Holt by Dr. Myron Scheflo

## Deacon's Fund:

- ◆ In memory of Mark Holt
  - ◇ Paul & Bonnie Mohagen
  - ◇ Dick & Susie Geiger
- ◆ In memory of Marlin Torkelson by Gene & Marilyn Anderson

## Capital Improvement Fund:

- ◆ In memory of Lloyd Monson by Lloyd & Joyce Johnson

Park River Bible Camp  
Annual Meeting will be held

**January 29, 2023**

**@ 7:00pm**

Grafton Lutheran's  
Representatives are:

Jessie Johnson

Ashley Eng

Stacie Sevigny

Kristin Ziegelmann

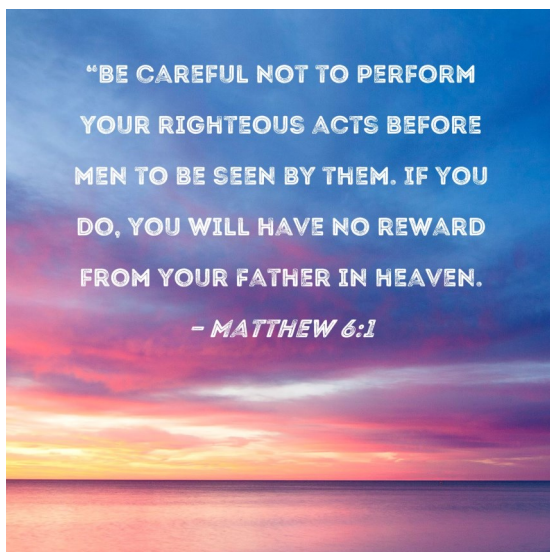
January's  
Mission of the Month  
will be collected for  
**Pregnancy Help Center**  
in Park River



2024  
HAPPY NEW YEAR

"BE CAREFUL NOT TO PERFORM  
YOUR RIGHTEOUS ACTS BEFORE  
MEN TO BE SEEN BY THEM. IF YOU  
DO, YOU WILL HAVE NO REWARD  
FROM YOUR FATHER IN HEAVEN.

- MATTHEW 6:1



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and click "Give Online"



**GLC Council Meeting- December 19, 2023**

Present: Tom, Jenn, Susie, Deb, Darcie, Pastor Carter, Bobbie, Seri. Dave, Ryer

Tom brought the meeting to order at 640pm

Pastor Carter provided a prayer

Approval of November minutes-Deb. 2nd, Ryer

Pastor's Report- see written report

Treasurer's Review of Income and Expense:

November Offering- 19,695.66

YTD Offering-204,896.93

November Expenses-17,288.76

YTD Total Expenses-221,367.44

YTD Total Income-214,496.37

Motion to accept-Tom. 2nd, Ryer

Unfinished Business:

- A. Evaluations- Pastor Carter was given a summary of his evaluations
- B. Budget- reviewed. Dave made a motion to move to accept the current budget to be proposed to congregation. 2nd, Ryer
- C. Logos- samples were given. The congregation is to vote on the favorite drafts, online and in the Lamplighter

New Business:

- A. Annual Meeting January 21. Reports due by January 7.
- B. Nominating committee update- recommendations from the committee and will be present at the annual meeting

Bake sale success. \$2499 raised

Communion Dates and Leaders

Jan 7- Susie. Jan 14- Jenn

Jan 21-Ryer. Jan 28-Tom

Lamplighter Deadline- Jan 1

Next Meeting - January 15@630

Adjournment @819pm and Lord's Prayer

<b>2023 COUNCIL</b>	
Darcie Einarson ..	President
Tom Torkelson ....	Vice President
Jenn Curtis .....	Secretary
Dave Petersen .....	Treasurer
Ryer Stark .....	Properties
Bobby Ekman .....	Music Worship
Seri Gerszewski ..	Christian Ed
Deb McKay .....	Lay Ministry
Susie Geiger .....	Stewardship
<b>1 OPEN Position. Parish Fellowship</b>	
Pr. Carter Hill .....	Pastor



**The Youth will meet at GLC  
January 7th at 6:00pm  
For food and fellowship**

**CONFIRMATION RESUMES  
January 10<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00pm 7<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**6:45pm 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> grade**

This year we are asking that you let Susie in the office know if you want more offering envelopes by calling 352-2638 or stop by and she will make them up while you wait.

Your Name  
# 000  
Amount: \_\_\_\_\_



GLC WANTS YOU TO APPLY FOR OUR  
**SCHOLARSHIPS**

4 - \$500 SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Get your applications at:  
[grafftonlutheran.com](http://grafftonlutheran.com)

Lay Ministry - 2

Margaret Egeland - 1

Ruby Schrank - 1

*(For those attending Concordia)*

Please turn in your applications by  
April 1, 2024



*Thrivent Action Teams*

Pick a project and start a team today!

Approved projects receive seed money toward a fundraising event, building supplies, and other start up costs.

Contact Luke Holt for more info 701-360-7080





Thank You to all those who worked so hard to put this years Sunday School program together. A special Thank you to Jack Kern, Lisa Blanchard & Stephanie Collette.



## Sunday School Program



## Sunset Homecoming

Thank you also to all those who helped make the Sunset Homecoming so much fun. Your help was greatly appreciated.



*Thank You to all who participated in Carols and Candles, your hard work and dedication shone as bright as the candles! This includes all who were visible and those behind the scenes. We were also glad to see that more people attended in person as well.*

*Marjorie and Lisa*



## Carols & Candles

## FEBRUARY'S FAITH & CARE GROUP #2

Beth Anderson-Molde  
 Elaine Broker  
 Lorraine Campbell  
 Joey Demers  
 Susie Demers  
 Layne & Wanda Ensrude  
 Mitch & Stacie Ensrude  
 Amy Geiger  
 Dick & Susie Geiger  
 Nick & Mary Jo Hall  
 Albert & Katrina Haugen  
 Chris & Jen Hoenke  
 Bill & Sheryl Jahraus  
 Dorothy Johnson  
 Dan & Ann Kohler  
 Scott & Nicki Kraft

Zachary & Rebecca Latraille  
 Cameron & Haley Lentz  
 Larry & Jean Lindgren  
 Brad & Courtney Loken  
 George Loranger  
 Bill Lykken  
 Neil & Delores McDonald  
 Dean & Corrine Ralston  
 Gary Rud  
 Bill & Karen Sand  
 Don & Mari Swartz  
 Preston & Krystle Thiele  
 Lloyd & Claudia Thompson  
 Bryan & Jane Uggerud  
 Chelsea & Corey Wysocki

## FAITH & CARE CIRCLE #2

**FEBRUARY'S MINISTRY AREAS NEEDED:**  
**Greeters, Bell Ringer, Ushers, Lectors,**  
**Communion Servers & Runners,**  
**Coffee Servers.**

**Your Faith & Care group  
 will no longer have a fixed time  
 to meet & for people to sign up.**

You can either call the church office at  
**352-2638 or Sign-up online.**

Just go to:  
<https://tinyurl.com/ynhh2msr>

Or scan the QR code:

There you can fill in  
 the jobs you would  
 like to help with.

If you have any  
 questions please  
 call Susie in the  
 church office.



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## 5th & 6th Grade

# Acolyte

## Sign Up

**We are still looking for  
 Volunteers for the Sunday  
 Acolyte Schedule.**



Thank you to all the members  
 of December's Faith & Care Group and to  
**Stacie Sevigny**  
 &  
**Janice Kern**  
 for being chairpersons.  
 Your time and service to GLC is  
 greatly appreciated!

**In need of prayers or a visit?**  
 If you or a family member are hospitalized,  
**please call the church office (352-2638)**  
**or Pr. Carter (701-425-7041)**

When contacting the church,  
 you can request a visit,  
 public prayers, prayers from the prayer  
 chain, or relay information and ask for  
 prayers exclusively from the pastor.  
*(The specific problem does not need to be  
 shared. Prayers can be requested for  
 healing, strength, comfort, etc.)*

***Volunteers needed***

***January's Acolyte Schedule***

<b>January 7</b>		
<b>January 14</b>	Liam Sillers	
<b>January 21</b>		
<b>January 28</b>		

# Grafton Lutheran Church

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### Contact Us:

#### Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 9:00am - 12:00pm; 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Pr. Carter Hill - 701-425-7041

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## Times of Worship & Fellowship

### Sundays:

9:00am Sunday School (pk-6th grade)

10:00am Worship

11:00am Coffee/Fellowship

11:00am Radio Broadcast on KXPO 1340AM

### Wednesdays:

6:00pm 7th grade confirmation

6:45pm 8-10 grade confirmation

### Donations/Memorial Funds

Capital Improvements

Bible Camp Camperships

Choir/Music

Deacon's Fund

Radio Broadcast

Bell Choir

Youth

Quilters

Cemetery

Kitchen Remodel

Minimal Improvement Fund

Synod Endowment

Media Expansion Fund

Sunday School

World Hunger

Music for Worship (Board of Music & Worship)

### Mission Support Memorials

PRBC Support

Synod Support

Concordia Support

Oak Grove Support

Christus Rex Support

Lutheran Social Services

Grafton Ministerial Support

Grafton Conference Support

Lutheran Sunset Home Support