ANNOUNCEMENTS

- All Saints Sunday will be held on Nov. 3rd, if you have a family member that has passed, since Nov. 1, 2023 that did not have a service here at GLC, and you wish them added to the service, please contact the church office at 352-2638.
- Grief Support Group will meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7:00pm at Our Saviour's Lutheran of Park River.
- Spaghetti Supper will be held Tuesday, November 5th at Historic Elmwood, stop by from 4:30-6:30pm. Drive up & Dine in available, cost is \$15 kids age 5 and under are free.
- A Benefit for Kevin Basher will be held November 6th at the Frosty Fox. Kevin, is a single parent of a 7 year old daughter, and is currently fighting stage 4 cancer. Cost of the Meatball dinner is \$15, they will also have a Silent Auction, and Bake Sale
- Here are some items that are needed at the Walsh County Food Pantry:

Jell-O/Pudding

Canned meat

Dish soap
All soup
Deodorant
Bar soap

Liquid soap Shampoo Pasta Cereal

Grafton Lutheran Church

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Grafton Lutheran Church (ELCA)

"Believe. Belong. Be Sent"

Reformation 10:00am October 27, 2024

Welcome to our Worship Celebration!

We join together as God's people to be nourished by God's gifts and to offer our thanks and praise. Let us extend a warm welcome to our new and familiar friends in Christ.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God. *Please stand if able

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Confession & Forgi	veness	
*Gathering Hymn	"The Church's One Foundation	<i>"</i> #654
*Greeting		pg.184
*Kyrie		pg.184
*Canticle of Praise	"Glory to God"	pg.185
Prayer of the Day		
Mission Moment		Bucky Peterson

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

First Reading Psalm	Jeremiah 31:31-34 Psalm 46	screen screen
Second Reading	Romans 3:19-28	screen
*Gospel Acclamation		pg.188
*Gospel Reading	Matthew 11:25-30	screen
Sermon		
Hymn of the Day	"Seek Ye First"	screen
*Apostle's Creed		pg.105
*Prayers		pg.106
*Peace		pg.106

Thanksgiving

God's gifts move us to respond with grateful word and action.

Offering

*Offering Prayer	screen
*Canticle of Thanksgiving "Salvation belongs to our God"	pg.219
*Thanksgiving for the Word	pg.220
*Lord's Prayer	

Sending

God	blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.	
*Blessing		
*Sending Hymn	"A Might Fortress is our God"	#504
*Dismissal		

October's Mission of the Month Life Skills & Transition Center This money will be used to buy Christmas gifts for the residents at LSTC.

Serving Today

Minister	. Marjorie Johnson
Music	Cathy Tweten
Sound	Doug Johnson
Greeters	. Sheyanne Blackcloud, Mae Thompson
Ushers	Hunter Jiskra, Beth Jiskra
Lector	Ruth Thompson
Coffee	. Sherry Nelson, Kristle Kjemhus
Chairpersons	Mary Dvorak

What's Happening at GLC

Sun. 10/27	 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship 11:00am Coffee & Fellowship
Tue. 10/29	9:30am Ruth Circle meets at GLC5:30pm Choir Practice
Wed. 10/30	 5:30pm JuBellation 6:00pm 7th Grade Confirmation 6:45pm 8-9th Grade Confirmation (10th Grade class will not meet)
Sun. 11/3	9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship - <i>SS sings</i> 11:00am Coffee & Fellowship

Community Events

- **Oct. 31** WC Health District Flu Vaccine Clinic—8am-12pm
- Nov. 2 Walsh County Food Pantry Baked Potato Fundraiser 11:00am-1:00pm at St. John's Parish Center.
- Nov. 6 Meatball Dinner and Silent Auction Benefit for Kevin Basher at the Frosty Fox—\$15
- Nov. 7-9 ◆ GHS Far Off Broadway will present Bye Bye Birdie at the Performing Arts Center November 7-9 @ 7:00pm and November 10 @ 1:30pm. For tickets call 352-1930 or go to the Far Off Broadway GHS Facebook page for an online purchase link.
- Nov. 10 ◆ Klub Dinner at Garder Hall in Garder, ND (Free-Will Donation) Klub or Baked Potato, Ham & Corn. To-go orders call Shelly at 701-331-9747.



BE SENT: THE CHURCH THAT SHOWS UP

Sent out into our community and beyond to do God's work

Grafton Lutheran Church steps outside our walls to make an impact in the community. People notice! There have been numerous times within our community where people have said, "Grafton Lutheran is the church that shows up!" When they need something completed, volunteers to help, or assistance with someone in need — they call us first, knowing we will be there. We already:

- Missions-Kopperud Foundation and Mission of the Month (collected every Sunday of the month for a designated program/need.)
- Invest \$18,000 in campus ministry, Bible camps, and ELCA organizations that help people all throughout the world through Mission Support to the Synod office.
- Impact the community as our members volunteer at the Walsh County Food Pantry and Second Time Around Thrift Store.
- Offer our church to be used for funerals for those that had no church home, or did not feel welcome in their former places of worship.
- Are visible in the community through volunteering at community events and on boards.
- Offer our building to be used free of charge to local piano teachers, counselors, and therapists.

All of this and still room to grow! We will expand, increase, and broaden our regularly scheduled activities. We will develop and coordinate regularly scheduled family and intergenerational activities within our church home, provide more educational opportunities for adults, and help build connections and caring relationships among all ages.

The goal of Grafton Lutheran Church's *Believe/Belong/ Be Sent Appeal* is to increase giving by \$40,000 (\$769 per week). Expanding our staff will lead to an expanding ministry, allowing even greater connections.

Expanding the staff at Grafton Lutheran could happen in various ways. It may look like calling a half-time pastor with another local ministry, or perhaps hiring multiple people to work very part-time in specific areas of ministry. In the coming year we will discern the option that works best for us.

> "I was blessed to be able to teach piano lessons and have recitals at Grafton Lutheran on their beautiful pianos. The support from the GLC community allowed me to use my teaching gift to serve my students (many Grafton Lutheran members)!" —LAURA PRADHAN

This graph displays two charts of our giving. The first shows how many gifts are currently being given at the indicated weekly amounts. The other shows how many gifts are needed in each level to reach our goal. As you look over the charts, prayerfully ask yourself the following:

- How does my giving level compare with other ways I use my money?
- How adequately does my giving reflect my gratitude to God for all the blessings I've received?
- Where would I be if I doubled my offering? And can I consider doing that?
- How much more could I give if I really wanted to?

