

Lamplighter

"Believe. Belong. Be Sent"

SUNDAY WORSHIP CHANGING TIME IN MAY & JUNE TO 11AM.

Pastor Carter has chosen to take his parental leave during May and June, so Pastor Brooke will lead us at 11:00am following her service at Zion Lutheran. This allows us the ability to have someone here to serve communion and also perform baptisms if needed.

*May 4 - 11:00am Worship
with Coffee & Fellowship to follow.*

*Starting May 11 we will have
10:30am Coffee & Fellowship
with 11:00am Worship.*

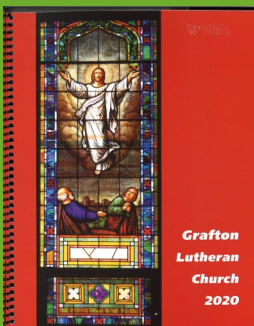
*We will continue with the
10:30am Coffee & Fellowship
and 11:00am Service until the end of June.*

NEW DIRECTORY NEWS

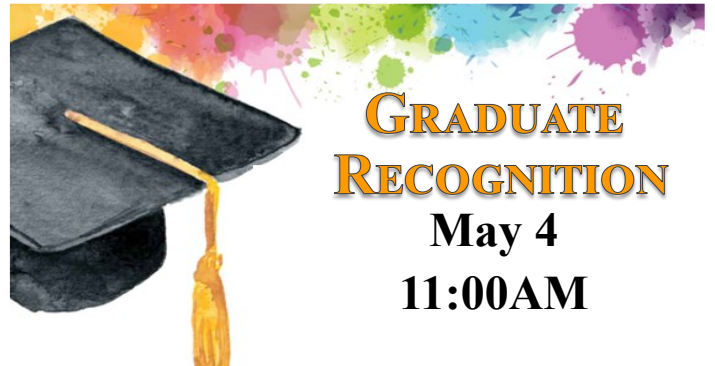
Grafton Lutheran is gearing up to update our church member directory.

Tweten's will be available to take photos starting in May.

Please call Rock
@ Tweten's Photography to schedule
your appointment at 352-1513.



If you would like to
join the church and
be included in the
directory call Susie in
the office at
352-2638



THIS YEAR'S GRADUATES ARE:

Jadeyn Albrecht

daughter of Lisa & Fabian Albrecht

Alyson Almen

daughter of Tracy Uggerud and Randy Almen

Molly Bjerneby

daughter of Josh & Patti Bjerneby

Savannah Blackcloud

daughter of Theresa Hickman & Nicholas Blackcloud

Kruiser Burns

son of Corey & Laine Burns

Kyler Droog

son of Devin & Kim Droog

Danielle Flanders

daughter of Jason & Michelle Flanders

Kade Jiskra

son of Jeff & Beth Jiskra

Liam Medbery

daughter of Nathan & Jamie Medbery

Paityn Ziegelmann

daughter of Nick & Kristin Ziegelmann



May 4th Cake and Fellowship
will follow worship service.

Please join us in celebration of our seniors.

May

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 11:00 am Worship—Graduation Recognition with Cake and Fellowship will follow worship service. Please join us in celebration of our seniors 12:00am Congregational Care Meets 2:00pm Pizza & Possibilities	5	6	7 1:00 pm Bible Study (6 weeks)	8	9	10 <i>Olson/Demers Wedding</i>
11 10:30 am Coffee & Fellowship 11:00 am Worship	12	13	14 1:00 pm Bible Study (6 weeks)	15	16	17 <i>10:30am Sondeland Memorial Serv.</i>
18 10:30 am Coffee & Fellowship 11:00 am Worship	19 9:30 am Gather Criele Meets at Susie G.'s	20 6:30 pm Council Meets	21 1:00 pm Bible Study (6 weeks)	22	23	24
25 10:30 am Coffee & Fellowship 11:00 am Worship	26	27 9:30 am Ruth Circle Meets at GLC	28 1:00 pm Bible Study (6 weeks)	29	30	31

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DEADLINE

GLC Council Meeting – April 17, 2025

Present: Janice, Susie, Megan, Tom, Nick, Ryer, Preston, Pr. Carter, Stephanie
Preston brought the meeting to order at 6:34 PM
Pastor Carter opened the meeting with a prayer
Review of March minutes - Motion, Ryer ; Second Janice

Pastor's Report

Vacation Bible School will be held August 11-14 with the theme “God’s Love is Groovy”. This year, an adult bible study will be added and held on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 6-7 PM. VBS will end on Thursday with a celebration supper / fellowship event.

During Summerfest, the youth will be creating escape rooms again and will enter a float in the parade. They will also be hosting the Summerfest grill as this fundraiser went very well last year.

The group going on the Denver trip will be flying and staying at a rental property which has been secured. There are currently 7 students signed up with a 12 student maximum

Pr. Carter’s parental leave will begin on April 28. He will be back to lead church on May 4th for Senior Recognition Sunday. The 8 Sundays with the 11:00 start will begin after May 4th. He will be back to preside over a wedding and attend the Synod Assembly. During his time away, please direct any pastoral questions or concerns to Pastor Brooke.

Treasurer's Review of Income and Expense

March Offering - \$29,264.77
YTD Offering - \$77,316.06
March Expenses - \$22,962.32
YTD Total Expenses - \$71,542.99
YTD Total Income - \$79,244.15

Janice made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report; Megan second.

Unfinished Business:

A. Pastor Brooke - Ministry Assistant Payment/Benefits

- a. The council will continue to monitor this new position and the payment and benefits associated with it. No changes are being made at this time.

B. Employee Handbook Revision

- a. The Executive Committee has met and has a plan going forward to take a look at GLC’s current handbook and the Synod guidelines.

New Business:

A. Committee Reports

a. Lay Ministry

- i. A new coffee pot was donated by Tammy Lunde. GLC has a new step stool, and new duties were added to faith and care. The weekly coffee/fellowship time will be held before church beginning at 10:30 AM during Pr. Carter’s absence.

b. Properties

- i. A small leak has been found and fixed. Ryer will continue to monitor for any other leaks. Ryer is looking to get a bid to get the carpets cleaned.

c. Sunday School

- i. Sunday School has ended for the year. A survey will be sent out to families soon to get opinions on what they would like to do with Sunday School moving forward. The Sunday School Committee is currently putting together a curriculum they can use going forward for each grade level. Teacher recognition will be held on May 4th, Graduation Sunday.

d. Music and Worship

- i. After the upcoming Easter services, there will be no more choir or bells until the fall. Cathy hopes to be back playing for worship soon.

e. Stewardship

- i. The committee will be sending inactive member letters soon. They sent thank yous to GLC's new members and noted that the New Member Sunday will be October 12th.
- ii. **New Pictorial Directory** - Creating a new Church Directory has been discussed as the current one is now 5 years old. Susie and Elaine met with Tweten's Photography and Morgan Printing to get a quote. Pictures would be taken at Tweten's and Morgan printing would print the booklet. A discussion of having a digital directory was also had. Nick made a motion for the Stewardship Committee to start the process of working with Tweten's to get pictures taken for the new directory; Ryer second.

B. Synod Assembly

- a. The Synod Assembly is June 7&8. Marjorie Johnson is signed up and we are currently looking for 2 more members to attend. Registration is due soon.

Communion Date(s) and Leaders:

May 4 - Janice

May 11 - Stephanie

May 18 - Nick

May 25 - Ryer

Lamplighter Deadline is April 28, 2025

The next council meeting is May 20 at 6:30.

Nick made a motion to adjourn; Tom second, followed by the Lord's Prayer at 7:18 PM

Minutes recorded by Stephanie Baldwin

Meet Our Newest Member



Baptized April 6

Ryatt Joseph Wasylow

Parents: Alyx Altendorf & Wyatt Wasylow

Sponsors are: Ogden Wasylow and Madisyn Altendorf



Memorial Gifts

Sunday School Fund:

- ♦ In memory of Howard Ray
by Bill & Sheryl Jahraus

Cemetery Fund:


- ♦ In memory of Mitch Ensrude
by Keith & Joleen Bjorneby

Deacon's Fund:

- ♦ In memory of Daryl Lutovsky
by Elaine Broker
- ♦ In memory of Mitch Ensrude
by Michael & Jan Erlandson

*Thank
you*

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We are incredibly grateful to everyone who came out for fellowship and delicious homemade soup each Wednesday during Lent. Your support and participation made these gatherings great! We truly appreciate everyone who donated food items and their time to make the Youth Lenten suppers a success.

Warm regards,
Krystle, Seri & Patti

Happy Mother's Day!

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PR. BROOKE
IS STARTING A NEW
6 WEEK BIBLE STUDY ON
WEDNESDAY, MAY 7TH
AT 1:00PM.
CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE
OR JUST COME & SEE WHAT IT'S
ALL ABOUT

GRACE
upon
GRACE

Synod Assembly
June 7- 8, 2025



For from his fullness we have all received
grace upon grace. - John 1:16

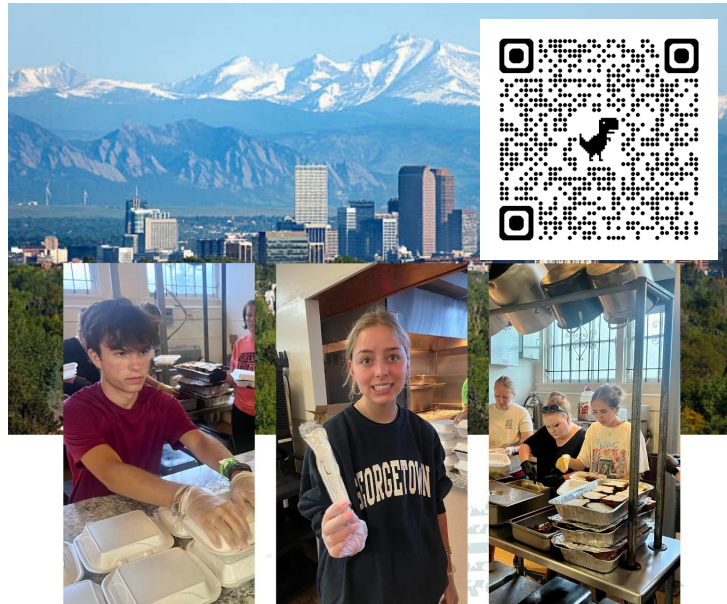
PIZZA & POSSIBILITIES

May 4th

2-4PM at GLC

Grafton Conference congregation & leaders are invited to share pizza, conversation, and wondering about challenges and possibilities for vital and sustainable rural ministry.

All are invited to help explore the current landscape of congregational life, leadership, and how we move into the future together.



Summer Mission Trip

DENVER

JULY 26 - AUG 1

SIGN UP BY APRIL 14 | graftonlutheran.com

May's
Mission of the Month
will be collected for
Walsh County Food Pantry

Circle

Gather Circle
meets
Monday,
May 19
9:00am at
Susie G.'s

Ruth Circle
meets
Tue. May 27
9:30am
at GLC

Sign up for our E-Newsletter today!

Connections

Eastern North Dakota Synod

United in Christ, we dare to invite, connect, and act.



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
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Amount: _____

JUNE'S FAITH & CARE GROUP #6

Ryan & Tami Altendorf
Warren Bogert
Shane & Tammy Burns
Paul & Denise DeSautel
Phyllis Eng
Devin & Carly Flanders
Jason & Michelle Flanders
Jana & Jason Haats
Clay Horter
Gwyn Jacobson
Beth & Jeff Jiskra
Jim & Barb Kasprick
Kande Koehmstedt
Jon & Sadie Koehmstedt
Kerri & Blue Lopez
Nathan & Jamie Medbery
Loretta Moe

Clayton & Jane Mohagen
Scott & Lori Monson
Chris & Marcia Olson
Blaine & Kristen Peterson
Kelly & Derek Pfingsten
Roger Raumin
Gay Risky
Larry & Ruby Roy
Ray & Linda Rud
Troy & Kandi Sangrait
Corbett Severson
Pat & Vicki Seigny
Andy & Rhonda Tibert
Wayne & Kris Tisdale
Tom Torkelson
Cheryl Vistad
Robert & Sarah Wollitz

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

5th & 6th Grade Acolyte Sign Up

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



May's Acolyte Schedule

May 4	Zola Stark	
May 11		
May 18		
May 25		

FAITH & CARE CIRCLE #6

JUNE'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/June2025Group6>

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.



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.)*

2025 COUNCIL

Preston Thiele	President
Tom Torkelson	Vice President
Stephanie Baldwin	Secretary
Nick Ziegelmann	Treasurer
Ryer Stark	Properties
Corrine Ralston	Music Worship
Megan Wynne	Christian Ed
Janice Kern	Lay Ministry
Susie Geiger	Stewardship
Kristen Peterson	Parish Fellowship
Pr. Carter Hill	Pastor

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May 2025



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Times of Worship & Fellowship

Sundays: (Starting May 11)

10:30am Coffee/Fellowship
11:00am Worship

Wednesdays:

9:00am Quilters Meet