

✠ SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ✠
Saturday, 5:00 p.m., July 7, 2018 ~ Sunday, 9:30 a.m., July 8, 2018

Grace Lutheran's Purpose Statement

“We share God’s love by welcoming all and making a Christ-like difference in our community and world.”

HYMNS

G-R812

Psalm 123

D-R669

C-R396

S-R674

Faith of Our Fathers

(Psalms begin page 339)

Rise Up, O Saints of God!

Spirit of Gentleness

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

Welcome to our guests and visitors who are with us today. We hope you feel at home in our midst and look forward to seeing you again. If you would like more information about Grace Lutheran, the pastor or ushers can help you. Please consider your presence to be your gift to us. No other is necessary or expected. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

IN OUR PRAYERS

In observance of our covenant with the LARCC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Congregational UCC) parishes of Alpena, we pray each week for a specific ministry of one of the 5 LARCC parishes. Today we pray for the Prayer Chain at First Congregational UCC.

LARGE PRINT WORSHIP FOLDERS

Large print worship folders, including hymns and weekly bulletin are available. Please ask the ushers for one.

PRAYERS

Charles Snyder, Sara Kamyszek, Hope Kamyszek, Bev Attwell, Debbie Anderson, Marilyn Whitscell, Elfie Jahnke, Lorraine Leathead, Gloria Moore, Harold & Jean Kissau, Jim Malaski, Karen & Walter Spigelmyre, Dorothy Gentry, Emma Nelson, Dorothy Hansen, Lyle Beck, Mark Jackson, Annette Kindt, Patricia Denstaedt, Shelly Greenwood, Debbie Weir, Scott Coddington, Judy Kautz, Mimi, Kevin Salesman, David Schaedig, Bishop Craig Satterlee, Cody Gustin, Dennis Diamond.

ALTAR FLOWERS

In honor of Wayne & Chris Christopherson's 70th birthdays given by Sandra Christopherson, Laurie and Kevin

NURSERY NOW AVAILABLE

We have a nursery staffed by an adult available during our Sunday worship service time. If you have a child that worship is too long for or they need to move around or today is just a tough day for them, let the nursery attendant or ushers know and they will show you through the basement to our nursery space in the Fellowship Hall.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School is starting this **July 9 at First United Methodist Church** (same location as last year). Several churches are joining efforts in providing this day camp to our community's children and as such we will be in need of volunteers from each church. So if anybody is interested in helping out this year it will be greatly appreciated. We had a great turnout last year with volunteers and children. Ages of children that can attend are 5 through 12 years. ***Applications to register and informational fliers are located in the Office Narthex and can also be found/printed on our website at www.gracelutheran-alpena.org.*** (Please note...the link on the flier is not a valid link.) Any questions please contact Elsa Phillips 989-884-1809 or Nancy Platt at 989-340-0154. More details to follow!

CONCERT

The Walkers, a singing family group from Petoskey, will be in concert at the First Baptist Church, 1261 W. Washington Ave., on Sunday, July 22 at 6:00 p.m. A free will offering will be taken to be given to the Walkers. An ice cream social will follow the concert. All are welcome!

WORSHIP WORK GROUP SURVEY

We will begin working on new schedules soon. Please complete a survey by July 15, if you haven't done so already. Time and Talent survey sheets are included in the July newsletter and available in the Office Narthex. Please fill one out if you are willing to help in any of the areas. (Training will be provided.) ***Please note that only those completing a survey will be included on the new schedules, so if you are willing to help in any of the areas listed, please complete the form to help us with scheduling. Please include areas you are already involved in along with any new areas in which you are willing to serve.*** Surveys may be turned in to the church office or placed in the offering plate. If you have any questions please contact Sharon Engstrom (354-5133) or the church office.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday - 8th

9:30 a.m. **Worship**
11:00 a.m. Adult CE - Lounge

Monday - 9th

9am-2pm Vacation Bible School

Tuesday - 10th

9am-2pm Vacation Bible School
5:00 p.m. Worship Work Group

Wednesday - 11th

9am-2pm Vacation Bible School
3-5:15 p.m. Lounge Reserved

Thursday - 12th

9am-2pm Vacation Bible School
5:00 p.m. Sanctuary Reserved

Friday - 13th

9am-2pm Vacation Bible School

Saturday - 14th

5:00 p.m. **Worship**

the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated.

⁸Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, ⁹but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

GOSPEL

Mark 6:1-13

¹[Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ²On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. ⁴Then Jesus said to them, “Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.” ⁵And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid

his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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