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Evangelical  
Lutheran Church  
in America

## Looking Ahead

- **July 6** Food Pantry Sunday
- **July 9** Wednesday Walks 8:30am and 7pm
- **July 13 & 20** Endowment Discussion Between Services
- **July 16** Wednesday Walks 8:30am and 7pm
- **July 23** Wednesday Walks 8:30am and 7pm
- **July 27 Special Congregational Meeting**
- **July 30** Wednesday Walks 8:30am and 7pm
- **August 1** WELCA Ice Cream & Pie Social
- **August 10** Jazz Worship Joint Worship 9:30am
- **August 29** Hope at the Brickhouse Dinner
- **August 31** Joint Worship at 9:30am
- **September 1** Office Closed for Labor Day
- **September 21** Block Party
- **September 28-30** Prs at Fall Theological Conference

## Endowment Conversations

Come and learn about the proposed changes to the constitution and the Endowment on **July 13 and 20 between services**. You can chat with the Endowment Committee and the Council about why they are recommending this path.



### Wednesday Walk in the Word

Join Pastor Stephanie for a devotion and prayer before taking a walk in VanderVeer Park (meet at the fountain) Wednesdays at either 8:30am or 7:00pm. Root yourself in creation and take a moment to ground yourself in the middle of your week.

*"Humankind has not woven the web of life. We are but one thread within it. Whatever we do to the web, we do to ourselves. All things are bound together. All things connect." -Chief Seattle, Duwamish/Suquamish*

## WELCA Pie & Ice Cream Social

**Friday, August 1 | 7:30pm | Free-will Donation**

Pie, Ice Cream, and Great Music! Join our Grace WELCA for pie and ice cream and enjoy the Bettendorf Community Band at **Veterans Memorial Park (1645 23rd Street, Bettendorf)** as they perform their favorite songs from this 57<sup>th</sup> season! Come have a good time and support both WELCA and the Bettendorf Community Band.



**June 14 | July 12 | Aug 2**  
**Shifts:** 8:30am-Noon or Noon-3pm

St. Paul has invited Grace to join them in constructing a house. Come help with framing, drywall, siding, and much more. No prior building experience needed.

Sign up online for one or more shifts at [bit.ly/GraceSummerHab](https://bit.ly/GraceSummerHab) or talk with Pastor Kirsten and she can add you to the volunteer list.

## Second Sunday Junior Bible Study SUMMER

Pastor Kirsten will lead Junior Bible Study in the narthex during both worship services with a short lesson and a small craft. **The next JBS dates are: July 13 and August 10.**



## Online Giving

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## Service Day Quilters

**Next Meeting Dates: July 8 and 9** Anyone can join to help at church or at home. Questions? Contact Gloria Lange 563-271-1542 langejg1@msn.com or Kathy Miller kathyk1679@aol.com 563-676-0914 .



## Page Turners Book Group

**Next Meeting: July 19** We meet at 8:30am the third Saturday each month at different locations for breakfast, book discussion, and great fellowship (reading the book is not required). **June Book:** *What You Leave Behind* by Wanda Morris **Host:** Janice Gibbs 563-332-6791 **Location:** TBD



## Grief Support Group

**Next Meeting: Aug 6** Grief Support Group meets the first Wednesday of the month 5:30pm in Pat Bell Hall (in the Summer). Please join us! Anyone is welcome at anytime, and please be assured our conversations are kept in confidence. Questions? Contact: Cindy Lee 563-370-5386.



## Centering Prayer

**Mondays 4:30pm via Zoom** In the Christian tradition, Contemplative Prayer is considered to be the pure gift of God - an the opening of mind and heart. Cheryl Kritsch 563-343-0135 facilitates the group which meets via Zoom every Monday (except holidays) at 4:30pm (link emailed in the Weekly Update).



## Men's Lunch

Men's "Lunch and Conversation" meets every Wednesday at Vanderveer Park. Bring a lunch from home or pick something up from a restaurant. Contact Dennis Boehme at boehmed@aol.com or 563-320-2661 to be added to the email list.



## Naomi Circle

**Next Gathering: Special! Tuesday, August 19, 11am Lunch Social at Cracker Barrel** (300 Jason Way Ct, Davenport )

Naomi Circle meets the third Tuesday each month, September - May, 9:00am at church for Bible study. Contact Marilyn Schreiber 563-340-0350 or marilyn.schreiber@icloud.com.

### Sunday, July 6

#### Food Pantry Sunday

8:30am Traditional Worship & Livestream  
9:30am Coffee Hour  
10:30am Contemporary Worship

### Monday, July 7

10:30am Staff Meeting  
4:30pm Centering Prayer - Zoom

### Tuesday, July 8

9:00am Quilters  
10:00am Pastor's Text Study - PBH

### Wednesday, July 9

8:30am Walk @ Vander Veer  
9:00am Quilters  
12:00pm Men's Lunch Group  
7:00pm Walk @ Vander Veer

### Thursday, July 10

### Friday, July 11

### Saturday, July 12

1:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

### Sunday, July 13

#### JBS at both services

8:30am Traditional Worship & Livestream  
9:30am Endowment Conversations  
10:30am Contemporary Worship

### Monday, July 14

10:30am Staff Meeting  
4:30pm Centering Prayer - Zoom

### Tuesday, July 15

10:00am Pastor's Text Study - PBH

### Wednesday, July 16

8:30am Walk @ Vander Veer  
12:00pm Men's Lunch Group  
7:00pm Walk @ Vander Veer

### Thursday, July 17

### Friday, July 18

save the Date!

# Jazz

**Sunday, August 10**

Jazz Worship Joint Service at 9:30am  
with the Manny Lopez Big Band

Following Jesus' teachings, Grace seeks to educate, lead, and partner with all people through discipleship to worship, service, and faith celebration.

# Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

July 6, 2025 8:30am

Grace Lutheran Church, Davenport, Iowa  
Pastor Stephanie Wood † Pastor Kirsten Lee

**Welcome! We are so happy you have joined us!**

Please complete an attendance card - located in the pews or at the usher's table.

\*Please stand as you are able. **Congregational response in bold.**

## Prelude

*A Cantic of Peace* ..... Franklin Ritter

## Announcements

## Confession & Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**  
Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin. (*Silence is kept for reflection.*)

Merciful God,

**you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.**

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of † Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. **Amen.**

# Opening Hymn

*Let Streams of Living Justice* ..... ELW 710

- 1 Let streams of living justice  
flow down upon the earth;  
give freedom's light to captives,  
let all the poor have worth.  
The hungry's hands are pleading,  
the workers claim their rights,  
the mourners long for laughter,  
the blinded seek for sight.  
Make liberty a beacon,  
strike down the iron pow'r;  
abolish ancient vengeance:  
proclaim your people's hour.
- 2 For healing of the nations,  
for peace that will not end,  
for love that makes us lovers,  
God grant us grace to mend.  
Weave our varied gifts together;  
knit our lives as they are spun;  
on your loom of time enroll us  
till our thread of life is run.  
O great weaver of our fabric,  
bind church and world in one;  
dye our texture with your radiance,  
light our colors with your sun.
- 3 Your city's built to music;  
we are the stones you seek;  
your harmony is language;  
we are the words you speak.  
Our faith we find in service,  
our hope in others' dreams,  
our love in hand of neighbor;  
our homeland brightly gleams.  
Inscribe our hearts with justice;  
your way—the path untried;  
your truth—the heart of stranger;  
your life—the Crucified.

# 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.**

## Kyrie\*

*Kyrie (from Now the Feast & Celebration)*..... written and setting by Marty Haugen

Leader

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

For the reign of God, and for

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peace through-out the world, for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord.

For your

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peo - ple here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your

word, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have

Help, save, and de-fend us, O God.

mer - cy. A - men.

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## Hymn of Praise

*Now the Feast and Celebration* ..... written and setting by Marty Haugen

*Refrain*

Now the feast and cel - e - bra-tion, all of cre - a - tion

sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;

praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!

1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has

freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.

*Refrain*

2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and

glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er. *Refrain*

3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of

God; to make all things new. *Refrain*

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## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, **you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## Children's Message

### First Reading | Galatians 6:1-16

*In the close of his letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages them to live as people made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Here Paul offers practical advice about how believers exercise common concern for one other in "the family of faith."*

My brothers and sisters, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take



care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and in this way, you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads. Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh, but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all and especially for those of the family of faith.

See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh who try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything, but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

Word of God, Word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 66:1-9**

Be joyful in God, all you lands; be joyful, all the earth.

**Sing the glory of God's name; sing the glory of God's praise.**

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

**Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.**

All the earth bows down before you, sings to you, sings out your name."

**Come now and see the works of God, how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.**



God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in God.

**Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations; let no rebels exalt themselves.**

Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.

**Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip.**

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia ..... written and setting by Marty Haugen

*Congregation:*

Al-le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia!

*Optional Repeat*

## Gospel Reading\* | Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Jesus commissions harvesters and laborers to go where he would go and do what he would do. Risking hardship and danger in exchange for the experience of great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that the reign of God is near.*

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on

that person, but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. Indeed, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon

## Hymn of the Day

*This Is My Song* ..... ELW 887

- 1     This is my song, O God of all the nations,  
      a song of peace for lands afar and mine.  
      This is my home, the country where my heart is;  
      here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;  
      but other hearts in other lands are beating  
      with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
- 2     My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,  
      and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.

But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,  
and skies are ev'rywhere as blue as mine.  
So hear my song, O God of all the nations,  
a song of peace for their land and for mine.

- 3 This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms,  
your kingdom come; on earth your will be done.  
O God, be lifted up till all shall serve you,  
and hearts united learn to live as one.  
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations;  
myself I give you; let your will be done.

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## Prayers of the People

Let us pray. Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for  
the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
**Amen.**

## Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

## Call to Offering

May we honor and worship the Provider of all good and perfect gifts through  
our acts of generosity, our sharing of resources, and our trust in the abundance  
of God's creation.

# Offering Hymn

*As the Grains of Wheat* ..... written and setting by Marty Haugen

*Refrain*



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were  
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from  
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.  
1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,  
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when  
*Refrain*  
may we share the pres - ence of your love.  
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

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## Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. Creator God, **in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

**We lift them to the Lord.**

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

# Lord's Prayer

## Communion Hymn

The first staff of music is in treble clef, key of B-flat major (two flats), and 4/4 time. It contains two measures. The first measure has a half note B-flat, a quarter note D, and a half note F. The second measure has a quarter note G, an eighth note A, a quarter note B-flat, and a half note D.

*Congregation:*

*Congregation:*



The musical notation for the Congregation part is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb). The melody begins with a half note Bb4, followed by a quarter rest. The next measure contains a quarter note Gb4, a quarter note F4, and an eighth note E4. The following measure contains a quarter note D4, a quarter note C4, and an eighth note Bb3. The final measure contains a quarter note A3, a quarter note Gb3, and an eighth note F3. The piece concludes with a double bar line and a 2/4 time signature.

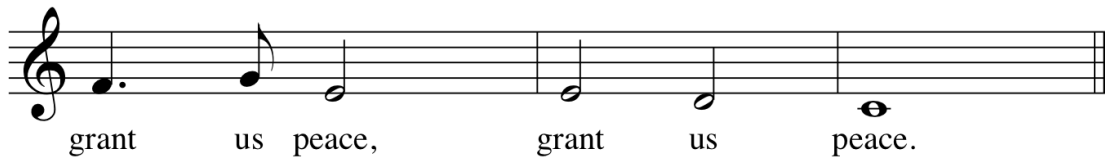
world:                    have mer - cy on us,                    mer - cy on us,  
fear:  
peace:  
love.

### Final Stanza

*Congregation or Assistant:*



*Congregation:*



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## Prayer After Communion

Let us pray. Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

## Blessing

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit † bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**

## Closing Hymn

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness* ..... ELW 733

- 1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;  
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *Refrain*

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Refrain*

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## Sending

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

*Fugue in C* ..... Alessandro Scarlatti



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**Sparkhouse Magazines** Kid's Sparkhouse Magazines are available in the Narthex. We encourage children and families to take home a copy and enjoy the pictures and stories about ways we live as children of God.

**Do You Receive the Weekly Update Email?** Every Thursday we email out the Weekly Update with current announcements, links, birthdays, anniversaries, Synod/ELCA updates, and more. If you would like to be added to our email list, please contact Annie in the church office.

## Serving in Worship

<b>Director of Outreach &amp; Youth Minister</b>	Pastor Kirsten Lee
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<b>Communion Bread</b>	Deb Kirby
<b>Acolyte</b>	Janice Gibbs
<b>Crucifer</b>	NEEDED
<b>Greeters</b>	Sue & Jim Cruchelow
<b>Ushers</b>	Dean Rock, Mark Jepson
<b>Sound System</b>	Russ Finkler
<b>Prayers</b>	Nancy Boehme
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Gloria Lange
<b>Heart &amp; Voice Choir Director</b>	Sally Meier
<b>Organist</b>	Susan Senn
<b>Pianist</b>	Kathi Parrish
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