ONLINE GIVING

Please help us grow through electronic giving. Giving online is fast, easy, and secure. Never worry about bringing your checkbook or cash again—you can set up recurring payments, so your donations continue even when you forget or are on vacation.

1. Visit our website at: www.gracelutheranmonroe.org
2. Locate the Give Online button.
3. Donate!

To learn more about giving online or through our GivePlus mobile app, contact our church office.

Bible Studies

Sunday Morning: Class begins @ 9:15 am in the classroom. They are studying 1 & 2 Timothy.

Sunday School:
Sunday School meets at 9:15 am. Preschool– 3rd grade meet in the Fellowship Hall, 4th thru 12th grade meet in the Youth Room.

Thursday Morning: The Thursday class meets in the classroom at 9:30 a.m. Studying King David.

Last Weekly Offerings:

Last Week Offerings: **$8,023.93**

Last Week attendance

Sunday, Oct. 4- **110**

Prayers

Missions: Heartbeat of Monroe, Voice of Martyrs, Selah's Center of Hope, One Sheep Ministries, POBLO, Lutheran Schools, LifeWise Academy.

Nursing Homes: Arnette Gahlau, Pat Castiglione, Dale Haman.

Healing & Comfort: Gene Swatek, Randy Cousino, Dave Younglove, Elliott, Sarah Fox (Sorter), Melissa Jones, Sue Wigman, Tammy Castiglione, Jimmy Keck, Dick Johnson (Sisk), Carol (Rzepa), Robert (Rzepa), Shane Rorke, Rachel & Children (Joanisse), Tina Patrick (Stoy), Mary Ann F. (Bunge), Judie (Goethe), Baby Carol & Family (Castiglione), Joe Nash.

Military: Jay Otero, David Witte, Avery Drake, Lester Younglove, Richie Ashby, Isaac Sheehan, Luke Bunge.

The Grace News for week of October 11, 2026

Welcome to The Family!

We are pleased to welcome ***Corey Warner*** to the family of Grace through the Profession of Faith Today in the 10:30 a.m. service, It is our prayer that he will be spiritually nourished through the teaching of God's Word and strengthened through fellowship with fellow believers at Grace.

Greeters

The **November–December** greeters schedule will be out by the end of **October.** If you know of any dates that you will not be available to greet, please let Eleanor know by ***Sunday, October 25..***

October Book of the Month

Looking for a good read that will encourage your faith? Our selection for October is here - visit the bookshelf near the classroom door to pick up your copy of "Has American Christianity Failed?" by Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller. In this fascinating read from Concordia Publishing House, Pastor Wolfmueller examines the spiritual patterns shaping American Christianity, explains why they fail to bring the peace our Lord promises, and calls us back to the joy of the Gospel. We encourage you to borrow a copy, read it, and either return it (for another Grace member to enjoy) or pass it along to a friend.

Wrapped in Prayer, Given with Love

Grace Prayer Shawls are available in the Welcome Area for anyone who would like to share one with someone who is sick, grieving, or in need of comfort and prayer.

Please feel free to take a shawl and share this special reminder of God's love and the prayers of our Grace family. We simply ask that you record the recipient's name and the date taken on the sign-out sheet provided.

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LUTHERAN CHURCH
630 N. Monroe St. • Monroe, MI

FALL Craft & Cookie Sale

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2026
9:00 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH GYM

ARTS & CRAFTS
Unique finds and handmade items

DELICIOUS LUNCH
and homemade treats!

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!

Calling All Bakers!

The Ladies Society/LWML needs your baking talents for our Cookie Sale at the Fall Craft Show on **Sat., October 17th**! Bring your goodies to the gym kitchen on **Fri., October 16th, between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m**. Please enter through the gym doors.

Please label baked goods that contain nuts or peanut butter.

Thank you for helping make our Cookie Sale a sweet success—and be sure to come back Saturday to shop the crafts!

Annual Pie Sale

It's pie season! Holy Ghost Lutheran Ladies' Aid is taking orders for their delicious **Apple, Blueberry, and Cherry pies for $18 each.** Pies are **unbaked and freezer-ready**—perfect to have on hand for the holidays, potlucks, gifts, or company!

Orders begin Sunday, October 11, and must be placed by Saturday, October 31. To order, call **Bev at 734-890-9399**. Pick-up will be **Friday, November 6 or Saturday, November 7, from 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.**

LWML Fall Gathering

Saturday, October 24, 2026

8:30–9:00 a.m. Registration and light breakfast, followed by a brief update and guest speaker

East Ida Immanuel Lutheran
6272 W Albain Rd.
Monroe, MI 48161

Guest Speaker:
The Luke Clinic

Gifts of Love for The Luke Clinic!

Baby-care items, hygiene products, and monetary gifts are all welcome as we share Christ's love with mothers and babies served by this ministry.

Ladies of Grace

If you are interested in carpooling, we will be leaving the Grace Lutheran Church parking lot at **8:00 a.m.**

CLASSICS The group will be meeting **on Tuesday, October 13**, at 11:30 a.m. for a potluck lunch in the Fellowship Hall. Meat will be provided, so just bring a dish to share. Please sign up in the narthex. We'd love to have you join us!

VOLUNTEERS One Sheep will prepare a meal for God's Works on **Wednesday, October 14,** at 12:00 pm in the Gym kitchen. Many hands make light work. Come and join this excellent opportunity to help those in need.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Christ Child Festival – A Live Nativity is coming to Grace Lutheran Church **December 11, 12 & 13**! This special community event invites visitors to take a Journey to the Manger and experience the Christmas story **Interested in volunteering?** A flyer with a **QR code for volunteer information** is posted in the Narthex. Stop by, scan the code, and find out how you can be part of this special Christmas event!

BACKUP RIDE TO CHURCH NEEDED

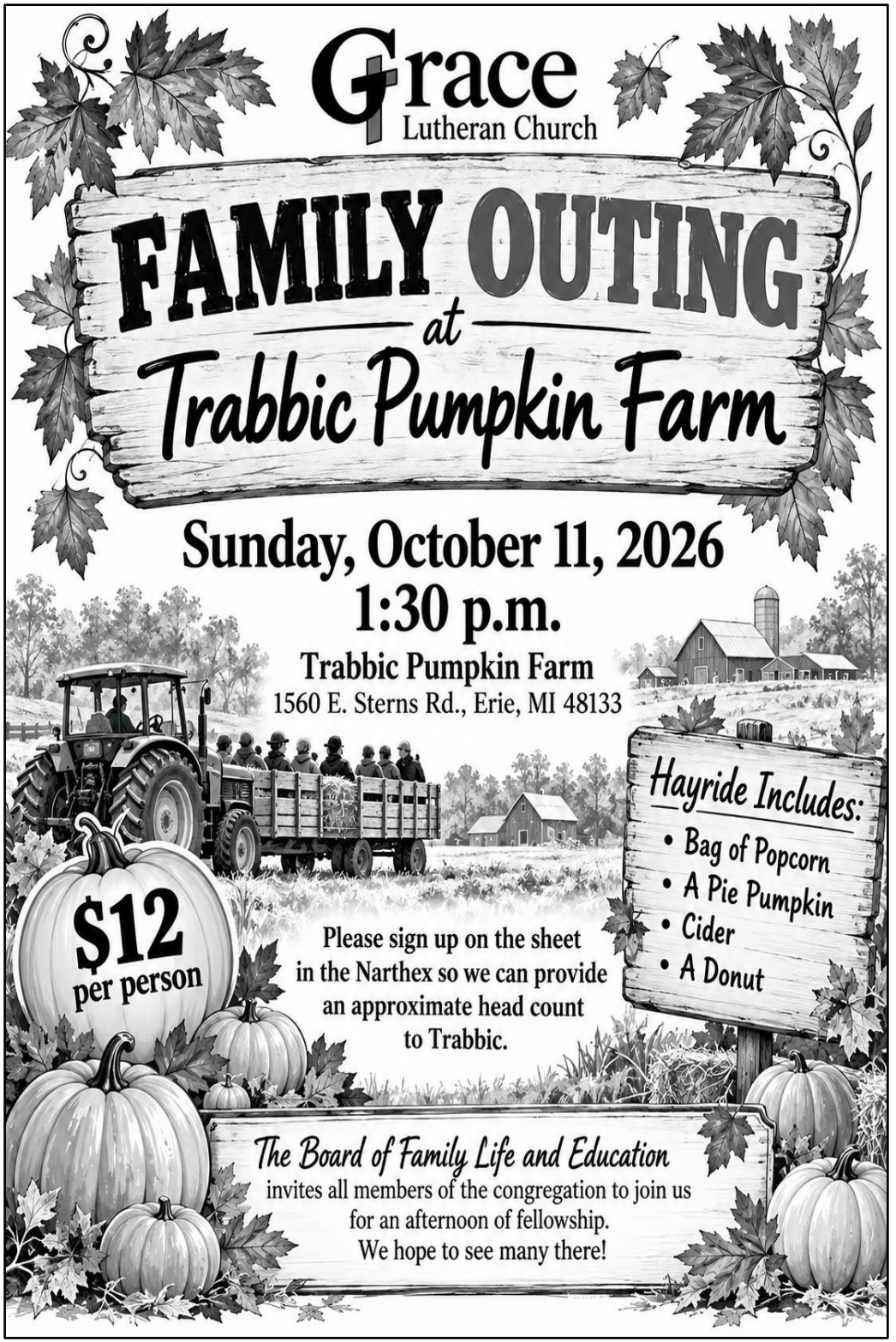
A member of our Grace family is looking for someone who would be willing to serve as a backup ride to church and Bible Study for the 8:00 a.m. service when her regular ride is unavailable.
If you would be willing to help occasionally when needed, please contact the church office. Thank you for helping care for one another in our Grace family!

SERMONS ONLINE

Sermons given at Grace can be read or listened to online at www.gracelutheranmonroe.org

2027 BUDGET

It is time to plan next year's budget. Worksheets are in the church mailboxes for boards and organizations. Please return the completed worksheet to the church office mailbox by **Sun., Oct. 11th.** We ask that all boards and groups return the worksheet even if you are not making any changes to your budget. We need the forms for our records. Just mark on the top of form "No changes".



RECIPE FOR A GREAT WEEK!

Every morning, offer your day to God. Don't be in a rush. Ask God to inspire your thoughts, guide your actions, and ease your feelings. And do not be afraid—He is always with you and He is never wrong!

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FAMILY MINISTRY LEADER
JOB OPPORTUNITY

Grace Lutheran Church is seeking a part-time Family Ministry Leader (20–25 hours per week) to help nurture faith, fellowship, and Christian community among children, youth, and families. This position will support educational programs, encourage families in their faith life, develop and equip ministry leaders, and create welcoming opportunities for families to connect and grow in Christ. Candidates should have a strong Christian faith, good organizational skills, and experience in youth, family ministry, and/or education. Lutheran theological training is desired but not required. Salary is based on experience.
To apply, please send your résumé to church@gracelutheranmonroe.org

ROAST BEEF DINNER East Ida Immanuel Lutheran Church invites you to enjoy a delicious Roast Beef Dinner! Dinners will be held from ***4:00–6:30 p.m. on October 16, November 20, December 18, January 15, February 19, March 19, and April 16.***

The menu includes roast beef, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans or corn, applesauce or coleslaw, dinner roll, beverage, and dessert. Carry-out is available.

Cost: Adults $12; Children ages 5–10 $8; Children 4 & under are free.

East Ida Immanuel Lutheran Church is located at 6272 W. Albain Rd., Monroe (corner of Albain & Martell).

Proceeds benefit a different Monroe County charitable organization each month.

All are Welcome!

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A Fun Event for the Whole Community!

Trunk or Treat!

The **Board of Evangelism** will be hosting our annual Trunk or Treat on

Friday, October 23rd, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Mark your calendars for this fun community event at Grace!

Would you like to decorate your trunk and pass out candy?
Please sign-up in the Narthex.

Free Hotdogs and Potato Chips!

Come help us welcome families from our community for an evening of fun, fellowship, and plenty of treats!