



**Weekly Bulletin for November 15, 2020**

**WORSHIP SERVICES** Grace will continue to have three worship services (8:00 a.m., 9:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.). During the 9:15 am service we will offer a bible study in the gym. There will be no coffee or food served during this bible study. We will continue to offer our online services and private communion with our Pastors. **If you would like to make an appointment for private communion, please call the church office for an appointment @ 734-242-1401.**

We also offer a Monday Worship service at 7:00 pm.

**COATS** We are asking members to take their coats to their pews with them, as of now there will be no coat hangers available. We appreciate your cooperation during this time.

**MITTEN TREE!!**

The mitten tree is here. Help us fill it with hats, mittens, gloves, and scarves (new or gently used) to be given out to families in need. Please put your items on the tree in the welcome area.



**DAKOTA BOYS & GIRLS RANCH**

For many years now Grace Lutheran has had a wonderful relationship with the Dakota Boys & Girls Ranch. We've hosted their speakers and held honey sales for them to help support the Christian ministry of the Ranch. This year will be slightly different. We still plan to continue our fruitful relationship with the Ranch but we won't be able to host



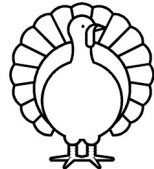
them or hold a honey sale. Instead we invite you to make the relationship with the Ranch an individual or family effort on your part. Consider connecting directly and making a donation to support their ministry. As has been the case with so many, the Ranch has been hard hit financially because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Their Thrift Stores and Honey Sales have been unable to operate normally this year. Grace congregation has already made plans to make a gift of support on behalf of the congregation but we wish to encourage individual members to join in if they so choose.

You can go directly to their website at [dakotaranch.org](http://dakotaranch.org) to learn more about their ministry and to donate. You can also donate through Grace by writing a check out to our church and then marking it for "Dakota Boys/Girls Ranch". Thank you for partnering with us and with the Dakota Ranch on sharing the love of Jesus with these young men and women in their care.

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH** The Grace Community Outreach fund is in need of support. This fund is used by the Pastors & Elders to help people in our community with various daily needs. At this time this fund is separate from our Helping Hands fund which is presently designated for members only. If you are looking for a special place to give to or support this month and next consider marking an offering for Community Outreach to enable us to help people all around our community.

**NEW FACEBOOK GROUP**

Grace Sunday School and Board of Education are hosting a new Facebook group! We are hoping to connect our families together using devotions, prayer requests, and virtual events. If you would like to join us look up the "Grace Lutheran Sunday School, Monroe" Facebook group.

 **OFFICE CLOSED** The church office will be closed on **Friday, November 27**, due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.

**CHURCH DECORATING** The Altar Guild will be decorating the church on **Saturday, November 28 at 10:00 am**. All help would be appreciated, if any member would like to assist in the decorating please come and join in the fun and fellowship!

**HELP A FAMILY IN NEED**

Grace Lutheran Church is proud to offer our services to the Intermediate School District (ISD) by adopting families in need for Christmas. If anyone is interested in helping a family, there will be a sign-up sheet in the office. A list of family members, ages, ideas, and needs will be assigned. All that is asked of you is to shop and fulfill some or the entire list. Wrap each gift and put the name on the gift. Place the families gifts in a large plastic bag and secure the number of the family given to you on the outside of the bag. We will be collecting the bags of gifts here at Grace no later than **December 8**.

If it is not possible for you to adopt a whole family, we can have several members share a family. Any questions please call or text Dan Harmon (734-777-3970), or email him at [dharmon2577@gmail.com](mailto:dharmon2577@gmail.com)

**MEMORY TREE** Christmas is a joyful season filled with church and family activities. Christmas can also be a sad time, missing the loved ones that have left us here on earth and are now spending time with Jesus.

Beginning **Dec. 1**, you can bring (or bring back from last year) an ornament that brings fond memories of your loved one(s), write their name on the provided tag and hang it on the tree in the Narthex. We pray that your tears will turn into smiles when you are reminded that your loved one is with Jesus this Christmas and someday you will see them again!