

# Grace Notes

Grace Lutheran Church, 2006 60<sup>th</sup> Street, Kenosha, Wisconsin

September, 2024



## Grace Celebrates Season of Creation

The Season of Creation is the annual Christian celebration to pray and respond together to the cry of Creation: the ecumenical family around the world unites to listen and care for our common home, the *Oikos* of God.



*The firstfruits of hope*

(Rom 8:19-25)

The Season celebration begins September 1, the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, and ends October 4, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology beloved by many Christian denominations. The Season of Creation is not just about celebrating “Creation as the created world” that God gifted us, but most importantly it is about celebrating “Creation as foundational mystery” of our Christian faith. In a nutshell, it is a moment to thank and praise God as Creator.

This year, the theme for the season is “To hope and act with Creation.” Amid the triple planetary crisis of climate change, biodiversity loss, and pollution, many are beginning to despair and suffer from eco-anxiety.

As people of faith, we are called to lift the hope inspired by our faith, the hope of the resurrection. This is not a hope without action but one embodied

in concrete actions of prayer and preaching, service and solidarity. This season, we are also uniting our Christian voices through a joint advocacy initiative to support the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty which calls for a halt to new fossil fuel projects.

Caring for our common home is not just an environmentalist or technocratic cause, but a more holistic, integral, human, spiritual vision, as well as a matter of integral ecology. Through prayer, practical advocacy, and sustainable actions, this 2024 Season of Creation can prophetically renew our ecumenical unity and care for our common home. We invite you to join this special season and be part of this mighty movement to bring about the firstfruits of hope.

May we journey together in communion as the People of God

## TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION

SEASON OF CREATION 2024

to honor our Christian call to care for God’s Creation!

## Great Picnic Was Had

We had a GREAT time at our church outdoor worship and picnic last week! Worshipping under great shade in a beautiful backyard was so peaceful. Sharing potluck and bbq was such a great time to get to know our church family better. And, getting to just talk, and swim, and hang out was just what we all needed.

Thank you so much to Brother David and Sister Janice for hosting us at their beautiful home! Thank you so much for Brother Dave setting up all our equipment for outdoor worship! Thank you to Sister Gracie for leading a beautiful service outdoors! And thank you to Brother Dan for getting on the grill and making us all lunch!

# Gathering Liturgy for First Sunday in Season of Creation

## WELCOME; LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

☐ Good morning! Grace Lutheran wishes to acknowledge and honor the Potawatomi people, upon whose ancestral homelands we gather for worship this morning, as well as all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to care for this place — this land — and call it their home.

## AFFIRMATION OF WELCOME STATEMENT

☐ Let us affirm our welcome statement.  
☑ **Grace Lutheran Church commits to live as a community of people seeking reconciliation and wholeness in our life together and in our ongoing outreach to the world. We commit to the work of anti-racism, anti-ableism, liberation, and environmental justice for all of God's beloveds.**

**We affirm the sacredness of people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions. We affirm the sacredness of all those who have experienced exclusion because of race, culture, disability, age, or physical demeanor. We affirm the sacredness of those who wrestle with addiction, physical or mental health, imprisonment, socio-economic circumstances, or anything that too often divides us.**

**You are absolutely invited to share your gifts as you join us in this lifelong journey. We welcome and embrace all who are seeking God's love and grace. We need each other and our sincere hope is by being in community together we will know the kingdom of God has come near.**

## GATHERING SONG: "Declaring Glory"

1: *When I was young  
You woke me with the sound of song  
The wind and rhythm drew me along  
I echoed in the hymn of the dawn*  
Chorus 1: *I turned and turned  
This dance that all the planets learn  
In circles 'round the stars as they burn  
I praise you as I orbit and turn  
Declaring glory  
Declaring glory*

2: *The mountains rise  
The forests grow before my eyes  
The moments and the seasons unwind  
Then turn again embracing the tide*  
Chorus 2: *The waters fall  
And carve their way across my soil  
Their canyons cutting deep in my soul  
I praise you while the rivers still roll  
Declaring glory  
(I praise my in Maker in every age)  
Declaring glory*

3: *New life begins  
Your creatures dance across my skin  
Like me they have your spirit within  
But soon they fade away as I spin*  
Chorus 3: *They fall to dust  
And dress me in decay and rust  
Their secrets buried deep in my crust  
I praise you in the layers of dust  
Declaring glory  
(I praise my Maker in every age)  
Declaring glory*

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## First Sunday of Creation Readings

### Romans 8:18–25

**I** consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the

creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit,

groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved.

Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.



# Communion Liturgy

## HYMN OF THE DAY: "Brother Sun"

- 1: *Brother sun, sister moon  
Your light shines from the heavens  
Giving glory, all the glory  
To the Maker*
- 2: *Gentle wind, welcome home  
You've been traveling with your song  
Singing glory, all the glory  
To the Maker*
- 3: *Hallelujah, hallelujah!  
Singing glory  
Hallelujah, hallelujah!  
Singing glory to the Maker  
Hallelujah!*
- 4: *Sweetest rain, serenade  
Pouring down from the heavens  
Bring all your blessings, every blessing  
From the Maker*
- 5: *Hallelujah, hallelujah!  
Singing glory  
Hallelujah, hallelujah!  
Singing glory to the Maker  
Hallelujah!  
Hallelujah, hallelujah!  
Singing glory*
- 6: *All you people, join in the song  
There is work to be done  
For the glory, all the glory  
Of the Maker*

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## HOLY BAPTISM

**P** God who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

**S** I present Kayla Grace for baptism.

EITHER:

**P** Kayla, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to be baptized into Christ?

**K** I do.

OR, to Kayla's parents:

**P** Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Kayla baptized into Christ?

**R** I do.

**P** As you bring Kayla to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with her among God's faithful people, bring her to the word of God and the holy supper, teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in her hands the holy scriptures, and nurture her in faith and prayer, so that she may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to help Kayla grow in the Christian faith and life?

**R** I do.

**P** Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Kayla in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

**S** I do.

**P** People of God, do you promise to support Kayla and pray for her in her new life in Christ?

**C** **We do.**

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

**P** I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**R** I renounce them.

**P** Do you believe in God the Father?

**C** **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C** **I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**P** Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C** I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**P** Blessed are you, holy God. You are the creator of the waters of the earth. You are the fire of rebirth. You poured out your Spirit on your people Israel. You breathe life into our dry bones. Your Son Jesus promised to send the Spirit to us that the world may know your peace and truth.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, and breathe new life into those who are here baptized. By your Spirit adopt us all as your children, through our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

#### BAPTISM

**P** Kayla Grace, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen. You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia!

**P** Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain Kayla with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**P** Kayla, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

**C** Amen.

#### WELCOME

*A lighted candle may be given to each of the newly baptized (to a sponsor of a young child) as a representative of the congregation says:*



Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

*The ministers and the baptismal group face the assembly. A representative of the congregation leads the assembly in the welcome.*

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**C** We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

VERSE: "Mustard Seed Prayer Song"

*1: O creator of the universe,  
Let our leaders take action and stand boldly  
To protect our home on earth  
From climate catastrophe.*

*Refrain: Let their actions be guided by love for neighbor,  
Love for creature, love for all creation.*

*2: Let me be a mustard seed today  
in small and big action  
Let what I do multiply in ways  
So our home is protected. Refrain.*

*Coda: Let what we do today multiply  
So our common home is protected for all creatures.  
Amen*

#### PEACE

**P** Peace be with you.

**C** And also with you.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### MEAL

#### OFFERING PRAYER

**P** God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** Amen.

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

**P** On the night when the Lord Jesus was handed over to be killed, he took bread and gave thanks for

it. Then he divided the bread and said, “This is my body; it is for you. Eat this to remember me.”

In the same way, after they ate, Jesus took the cup of wine. He said, “This cup represents the new agreement from God, which begins with my blood sacrifice. When you drink this, do it to remember me.”

This means that every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are telling others about the Lord’s death until he comes again. (1 Corinthians 11:23-26 ERV)

In response to the great mystery of this sacred meal we proclaim our faith:

**☑ Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

#### LORD’S PRAYER

**P** We pray our common prayer that Christ taught us.

**☑ Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver, Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven:**

**The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe!**

**The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world! Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!**

**Your beloved community of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.**

**With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.**

**In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.**

**From trials too great to endure, spare us.**

**From the grip of all that is evil, free us.**

**For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

(Adapted from *The New Zealand Book of Prayer | He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa*. This version of the Lord’s prayer was influenced by Maori theologians)

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**P** Come, for all things are now ready.

#### SONGS: “Lord Have Mercy”

Chorus: *Lord have mercy  
Lord have mercy*

*Lord have mercy*

1: *Holy Spirit rest upon us  
Lead us in the way of your justice  
Holy Spirit rest upon us  
Teach us how to serve in our weakness*

2: *Holy Spirit rest upon us  
Teach us how to tend to creation  
Holy Spirit rest upon us  
Guide us from our path of destruction*

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“Satisfied”

1: *God, we have taken  
More than we’ve given  
We are entangled in consumption and greed  
Christ, in Your mercy  
Break our obsession  
With hollow possessions, O Lord, set us free*

Chorus: *May our hearts be satisfied  
Satisfied, satisfied  
May our hearts be satisfied*

*Fill us with joy and peace*

2: *Lord, we neglected  
Your simple provision  
Instead we’ve invested in  
building up our wealth  
So tear down our  
storehouse  
Our walls and our  
towers  
And build us a table*

*where all can come feast. Chorus.*

Coda: *Oooh. Fill us with joy and peace. Repeat*  
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#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

**☑** Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## SENDING

#### SENDING SONG: “Jubilee”

1: *The meek will inherit the earth  
The meek will inherit the earth  
The first will be last and the last will be first  
The meek will inherit the earth*

2: *The wicked will lose what they stole  
The wicked will lose what they stole*



*And all that they thought they could own and control*

*The wicked will lose what they stole*

CHORUS: *Jubilee Now is the year of His favor  
Jubilee Rest for the weary creation  
Now bring in the year of Jubilee*

3: *Turn now from evil to good*

*Turn now from evil to good*

*Then we will dwell in the land as we should*

*Turn now from evil to good*

4: *The earth it will sigh with relief*

*The earth's gonna sigh with relief*

*There's more than enough for the hungry to feed*

*The earth will sigh with relief*

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BLESSING, DISMISSAL

**P** May God who can set Creation free, show us his glory.

**C** **Glory to God.**

**P** May God who knows our groaning and crying, bring about new life.

**C** **Now and always.**

**P** May God who helps us in our weakness, give us the firstfruits of hope. The Lord is our hope. And may the Triune God sprinkle into our hearts the dew of his grace and bless us all.

**C** **Amen.**

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## Grace Quick Takes

### L'Arche September Gathering

L'Arche will meet in the church narthex at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 9. For information for this support group for neurodiverse persons and their loved ones, please talk to John or Leah Schaut.

### Altar Flowers & Bulletins

Thank you to Randy & Paula Pierce for giving the altar flowers this Sunday, and to Judy Gregory for sponsoring Sunday bulletins in September.

### Sensory Toys

Sensory toy baskets are available during Sunday worship services for any who are neurodiverse. Please help us make our space welcoming for everyone by returning the toys to the baskets for future use.

### Retirement Brunch

Our office secretary, Paul Berge, is retiring at the end of September. The congregation and community are invited to a retirement brunch for him from

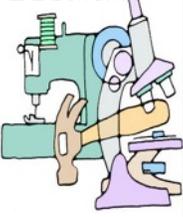
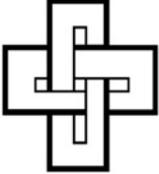
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday,

### Picnic

Watch for announcement of a church picnic later this month.

### St. Mary's Organ Recital

St. Mary's Lutheran Church, 2001 80<sup>th</sup> Street, begins its 150<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration with an organ recital by Brian Schoettler at 4:00 p.m. Sunday, September 28. Reception to follow in Fellowship Hall.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 9:30 am Season of Creation worship service 7:00 pm NA	<b>2 LABOR DAY</b> 	<b>3</b> 8:00 am-noon Pantry packing 4:00-5:30 pm Welcome Center food pantry	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 8:00-9:00 am Welcome Center breakfast 2:00-5:00 pm Infant Moses diaper ministry	<b>6</b> 8:00-9:00 am Welcome Center breakfast	<b>7</b> Council reports due 5:00 pm Mustard Seed Dinner at Pastor Barker's
<b>8 GRANDPARENTS DAY</b> 9:30 am Season of Creation worship service 7:00 pm NA	<b>9</b> 9:00 am-noon Pantry packing 6:30 pm L'Arche	<b>10</b> 9:00 am-noon Pantry packing 4:00-5:30 pm GWC food pantry	<b>11 PATRIOTS DAY</b>  <b>9/11 Remembrance</b>	<b>12</b> 8:00-9:00 am Welcome Center breakfast 2:00-5:00 pm Infant Moses diaper ministry	<b>13</b> 8:00-9:00 am Welcome Center breakfast	<b>14 HOLY CROSS</b> 
<b>15</b> 9:30 am Season of Creation worship service 11:00 am Church council 7:00 pm NA	<b>16 MEXICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY</b> 9:00 am-noon Pantry packing	<b>17 CITIZENSHIP DAY</b> 9:00 am-noon Pantry packing 4:00-5:30 pm GWC food pantry	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 8:00-9:00 am Welcome Center breakfast 2:00-5:00 pm Infant Moses diaper ministry	<b>20</b> 8:00-9:00 am Welcome Center breakfast 7:30 pm Holy Assembly revival	<b>21 ST. MATTHEW</b> 8:30am OFH Run/Ride/Walk, Petrifying Springs 7:30 pm Holy Assembly revival
<b>22</b> 9:30 am Season of Creation worship service Picnic? 5:30 pm Holy Assembly revival 7:00 pm NA	<b>23</b> 9:00 am-noon Pantry packing	<b>24</b> 9:00 am-noon Pantry packing 4:00-5:30 pm GWC food pantry	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 8:00-9:00 am Welcome Center breakfast 2:00-5:00 pm Infant Moses diaper ministry	<b>27</b> 8:00-9:00 am Welcome Center breakfast	<b>28</b> 11:00 am Paul retirement brunch
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## September Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sept. 7 Carolyn Reynolds	Sept. 17 Robert Mendoza, Jr.	Sept. 25 Bill Gregory
Sept. 13 Andrew Calvert	Sept. 21 Dennis & Lynda	Sept. 27 Keith Dreger
Sept. 14 Krisan Knapp	Eirich	Sept. 29 Jayden Williams
Sept. 15 John Schaut	Sept. 24 Donna Cristiano	

## Keep Up to Date with Synod e-news

The Greater Milwaukee Synod's weekly e-news is the best way to get the latest official news and

event information from the synod office. Sign up at <https://milwaukee-synod.org/connect/subscribe/>

# Grace Welcome Center Report

Grace Welcome Center continues to make a significant impact in addressing food insecurity and supporting those experiencing homelessness. Our food pantry served 1179 visits, the breakfast program provided 775 meals, 298 bag lunches were passed out, and 78 showers were facilitated.

With 353 volunteer sign-ins, our community engagement remains strong. We're implementing operational improvements, including enhanced kitchen ventilation and plans for outdoor internet access.

We're revamping our Emergency Clothing and Hygiene Program to focus primarily on those experiencing homelessness while continuing to provide hygiene items to the broader community during our Bagged Lunch distributions.



## Prayer List

We remember in our prayers:

- Mary Andrews (Welcome Center volunteer)
- Darlene Bard
- Kate Barker
- Dawn Bench (Welcome Center volunteer)
- Doug Becker (Marlene Binnering's son)
- Eric Berge (Paul's brother)
- Pat Bernacchi
- Jackie Brichacek (Nancy's sister-in-law)
- Jean Boothe (Grace soup kitchen supervisor)
- Hank Buehrens
- Andrew Calvert
- Cameron Carr (Karen Cassidy's nephew)
- Karen Cassidy
- David Corey
- Holly Cummings
- Eric Dangerfield

- Todd Detert (Dottie's grandson-in-law)
- Jan Dugdale
- Barb Ehlen
- Brian Felland
- Gregory Foster
- Judy Gregory
- Shirleen Gulick
- Cogan Holly Hall
- Aggie Hartnell (Bert's mother)
- Ginger Helgeson
- Christine Hill
- Sydney & Skyler Houston
- Dick Kauffman
- David Kramer
- Norma Larson
- Rubel Pierce (Randy's father)
- Mary Jean Preston
- Jalen Prichet (Carolyn Reynold's grandson)
- Ernest Quintero
- Rex Reeve
- Carolyn Reynold's children Eddie, Santino, and Lytoshia

- Martha, Joel, and Jeanette Sanchez
- John Schatzman (friend of Karen Cassidy and Dan Cornelius)
- Cynthia Schwartz (Norma's daughter)
- Patti Shields
- Jill Swails
- Marcia Swanson
- Joyce Swift
- Andrew Tate
- Ron and Linda Wadham
- Steve & Heather Waldron
- Henry, Florence, and Jacqueline Walker (Carolyn's brother and sisters)
- Charles and Timothy Walker
- Dottie Watts
- Chris Webb (Bert's sister)
- Pam Wisse
- Kristi Weiss

# Synod Invites Young Adults to Listening Session

Are you a young adult between 23 and 35? Would you like the church to better understand how it might meet you within the longings of your life, your hopes for the world, and your desire to deepen and live out your faith?

Then please come and join the Youth and Young Adult Listening Team of the Greater Milwaukee Synod at Gethsemane Lutheran Church (13200 W. Greenfield Avenue in Brookfield) on Sunday, September 15 from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. Dinner will be provided! A few members of the listening team will be present to ask questions of the group and hear what is on your heart. It will be a great chance to meet other young adults of faith in the area, share a meal, and help empower the gifts of young adults in the church.

RSVP at <https://forms.gle/TiV2BrgbrifKAuVb9>. The Listening Team is excited to gather with you and get to know you better!

If you have any questions, email Pastor Rachel at [pastorryb@gmail.com](mailto:pastorryb@gmail.com)

## Youth Called to Be Advocates

Join youth from around Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula on October 4-6, 2024 at Pine Lake

Camp in Waupaca!

What kind of social injustice do you care about? How do we advocate for justice within our immediate surroundings and the world? What does my faith have to do with it all? Join other youth your age to delve into some key issues, learn about how to advocate, and have fun.

Learn more and register at <https://www.loppw.org/resources/youth-advocacy/>

## Grace Receipts in August

General offering .....	\$ 6,999.46
Benevolence .....	\$ 219.00
Grace endowment .....	\$ 50.00
Infant Moses Ministry .....	\$ 200.00
Via Thrivent Choice .....	\$ 20.00
From friends:	
General offering .....	\$ 1,150.00
Grace Welcome Center .....	\$ 100.00
Pastor's salary/benefits .....	\$ 250.00
Grant from Outreach for Hope.....	\$ 6,375.00
Holy Assembly building usage .....	\$ 500.00
Grace Welcome Center for gym usage .....	\$ 5,000.00
<u>Minus transaction fee .....</u>	<u>\$ (67.69)</u>
Total .....	\$ 20,795.77
Grace monthly budget in 2024: .....	\$ 16,689.39

## Poll Workers Needed

There is a shortage of poll workers in many poll places. A lack of poll workers can lead to confusion and long lines. As part of our participation in ELCAvotes, the Lutheran Office for Public Policy in Wisconsin is helping to recruit poll workers.

Did you know that you can legally take off work in Wisconsin and be paid for being a poll worker? Did you know if you are 16 and older and in Wisconsin have a 3.0 grade point average you can take off of school and be paid to be a poll worker?

Adults, if you are interested in learning more or would like to let us know that you signed up to be a poll worker, please contact [cynthia.crane@elca.org](mailto:cynthia.crane@elca.org) or go to <https://elections.wi.gov/node/1012>. Student can go to <https://elections.wi.gov/poll-workers-observers/working-polls/high-school-election-inspectors>.

“We understand that Christians are called to be stewards of our common life through serving as faithful and active citizens.” –Bishop Elizabeth Eaton (ELCA Civic Engagement Guide)

North Cape Lutheran's 40TH ANNUAL DOOR COUNTY STYLE **Fish Boil**

Drive Thru Carry Out Only  
Outdoor seating will be available with live music to enjoy!

**Saturday  
September 28, 2024**

at North Cape Lutheran Church  
2644 124th Street, Franksville, WI  
(Hwy 45 - Racine County)  
3:30 PM - 7:00PM

**\$20**  
Dinner includes: boneless skinless cod, potatoes, onions, carrots, coleslaw, rye bread, and homemade dessert

Smoked Fish will be available for a freewill offering.  
Questions? Call (262) 835-2206

# Infant Moses Ministry Welcomes Volunteers, Donations

Infant Moses Ministry at Grace provides free diapers and wipes to families in our community every Thursday afternoon from 2:00 to 5:00. We are seeking volunteers and donations:

+ Diapers sizes 3 - 7, Boys and Girls Pull-ups 4T-5T, Boys Pull-ups 5T-6T



+ Fragrance-free or Sensitive Baby Wipes in packs of 56, 64, 96 or 100 count with flip-top lids

+ Monetary donations also welcome! All donations go to diapers and wipes for families.

Volunteer opportunities:  
+ Someone to break down cardboard boxes and haul them to recycling

Drop-off donations at the church: Infant Moses Thursdays 2:00 to 5:00 p.m., or during church office hours Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am to 2:00 p.m.



Holy Assembly Church of the Apostolic Faith  
Founder and Pastor  
Overseer Juliette Hicks

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**PASTORAL**  
*Appreciation*

Friday, September 20, 2024  
Diocesan Bishop J. E. Moore  
Christ Temple Joliet  
7:30PM

Saturday, September 21, 2024  
D.E. Donnell Bauie  
Transportation Apostolic Ministries  
Washington Park, IL  
7:30PM

Sunday, September 22, 2024  
Pastor Mary Mabon  
Church of Jesus Christ  
5:30PM

**Equipped and Chosen to Spread God's Truth**  
Ephesians 4:11-13

2006 60th Street, Kenosha, WI 53140

## Mustard Seed Movement Dinner at Barkers'

On Saturday, September 7, Rev. Barker is inviting anyone who has been, or wants to be part of the Mustard Seed Movement to come to his home for dinner

and a chance to discuss and brainstorm next actions.

Dinner will start at 5:00 p.m., and we will wrap everything up by 8:00 for



Zeiah's bedtime. Please talk with pastor if you are interested so he can give you his address.

St. Mary's Lutheran Church invites you to join us for

\$12 Donation



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# Oktoberfest

Saturday, September 28, 2024

Church Service at 5:00 • Doors Open at 5:30 • Dinner at 6:00

2001 80th Street • Kenosha, Wisconsin

Homemade Dinner Includes:

Brat or Knockwurst, German or Regular Potato Salad, Sauerkraut, Baked Beans, Dessert, Apple Cider  
Beer & Wine Available to Purchase

Music Provided by: The Hungry Five & Friends plus MGU Harmonia Choir

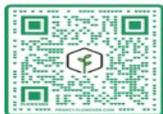
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Worship services 9:30 a.m., in person and livestreamed at [tinyurl.com/2z43rkmd](https://tinyurl.com/2z43rkmd)  
Pastor Jonathan Barker: [jonathan.w.barker17@gmail.com](mailto:jonathan.w.barker17@gmail.com) ☎ 626-864-6404  
Church office: [graceoffice@w.l.r.c.com](mailto:graceoffice@w.l.r.c.com) ☎ 262-654-9143  
Office hours: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tuesday through Friday



## Morning of Saturday, September 21

Join all of your friends at the Outreach for Hope 2024 Family Ride Run Walk, and help fundraise \$150K for grants to ministries serving communities experiencing material poverty in the Greater Milwaukee Synod, ELCA.

### FOUR SITE OPTIONS:

Each site offers a **road** (8:30 am) **and/or trail bike ride** (9:30 am) unless otherwise noted, a **5K fun run**, **2-mile walk** (10 am), a **picnic** (11 am) and **fellowship-only participant** and **volunteer** options.

- **Dousman:** Meets at Cory Municipal Park
- **Grafton:** Meets at Grace Lutheran Church
- **Kenosha:** Meets at Petrifying Springs Park
- **Milwaukee:** Meets at Washington Park (*no bike rides at this site*)

There is **no registration fee** - but we encourage you to donate and/or fundraise towards our \$150K goal! **Every dollar raised supports our Ministry Partners' work** of clothing, feeding and caring for our neighbors in need.