



JUNE 2026

# GRACEGRAM

Grace alone . . . Faith alone . . . Word alone . . .

O Christ, the  
Healer,  
We have  
Come to  
Pray for  
Health, to  
Plead for  
Friends.

How can we  
fail to be  
Restored,  
when reached  
by LOVE that  
never ends?

~ Fred Green



## Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe, for indeed our God is a consuming fire. Hebrews 12:28-29

### *Common Cup Returns*

Christ our great healer restores all things. During COVID 19, many things went missing. The biggest change was not coming together for worship in person. There were many other changes as we began to gather for in person worship. Our first gatherings were in the fellowship hall with no singing, wearing a mask, except when we took communion. Then when we gathered for worship in the sanctuary things began to move back to "normal". We were first able to sit without being separated, singing with a mask and then without a mask, passing the peace began, but one thing stayed away....the common cup.

We celebrate with many congregations in our synod the return to using the common cup. I am thankful that Pastor Paul Kuhlman encouraged the worship committee to return to this practice here at Grace. As always, you are invited to partake of the common cup. You are not required to do so. In fact, individual cups are available. As we focus on sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ, we see new life entering into our hungry bodies. By the time you read this, the practice of drinking from the common cup has been implemented. Let us be empowered to share Christ's body and blood.



**Deadline for the  
June GraceGram is  
June 17, 2026.**

Send your articles to:  
**Cindy Olson**

parishadmin@grace-  
hastings.org

*+ Pastor Ken*



# Markwart Family

# Liz Congratulations!

You're invited to a Graduation Party  
for Liz on  
June 6 1-4 pm  
Harold Classic Memorial Park  
Woodland, MI 48897

Come  
Celebrate  
With  
Liz!



Grace and Zion Voting Members at  
Synod Assembly

## Car Show July 26 Worship & Picnic



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in America**



**“God’s Work  
Our Hands”**



**Thank  
You**

**WORK HAS BEGUN on the  
Cement Project!  
THANKS TO ALL who have  
made this possible!**



We believe we are all created in God’s image and are all called to love our neighbors as Jesus loves us. We believe we are many members, but one body in Christ, and called to unite all people in God’s love. We welcome and affirm all people. We invite those who are seeking God’s presence in their lives to join us in our common journey, which includes the LGBTQIA+ community. Our faith community seeks to unite persons of all ages, race, nationalities, ethnic background, sexual orientations, gender identities, mental and physical abilities, socioeconomic levels, and theological backgrounds. Together in our diversity, and being empowered and directed by the Holy Spirit, we will continually strive to “Do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.” (Micah 6:8)



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**Reconciled in Christ**



# SUNDAY WORSHIP

## 9:30 am

### Leadership for 2025-2026

#### Executive Committee:

President: Tim Schoessel  
Vice President: Vickey Argo  
Secretary: Jamie Heise  
Treasurer: Randy Teegardin

### God's work.

### Our hands.

Childcare is available

### Worship also On-line:

[www.grace-hastings.org](http://www.grace-hastings.org)

### Church Council Members/Liaisons:

Erin Franks (Congregational Care)  
Dave Neeb (Property)  
Gary Golnek (Outreach)  
Mark Anton (Youth & Family)  
Bill Freedlund (Social Activities)  
Greg Franks (Stewardship)  
Deb Watson (Small Groups)  
Carla Neil (Worship)

### Our Staff:

Ken Scheck II Minister of Word and Sacrament  
[kscheckii@aol.com](mailto:kscheckii@aol.com)

Cindy Olson, Minister of Music & Parish Administrator  
Mon-Weds 10AM- 2:30PM  
[parishadmin@grace-hastings.org](mailto:parishadmin@grace-hastings.org)

Kim Domke, Bell Choir Director  
[kdomke08@gmail.com](mailto:kdomke08@gmail.com)

Aurora Collins, Nursery  
Nathan Freedlund, Custodian

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# Meetings this Month:

Social Activities - 1:30 pm on Monday 6/8

Executive Committee - 5 pm on Tuesday 6/16

Congregational Council - 5:30 on Tuesday 6/16

Women of Faith - 11 am every Tuesday

Brown Bag Bible Study - 12 pm every Thursday



hand2hand  
because a hungry child hurts

The Outreach Committee appreciates the generosity and thoughtfulness of Grace for continuing to give to this need in our community.

Hand2Hand is on break over the summer. Look for more opportunities to help in the fall when school is back in session.



# ZOO



## Women of Faith

is working through the book  
Growing Older and Wiser

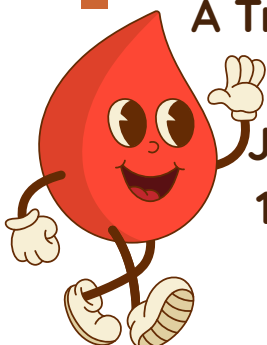
We meet Tuesdays, 11am-noon, at Grace  
All women are welcome to join us at any time.

As the last GraceGram mentioned, the “It’s All Fun and Games” Blood Drive was a success and lots of fun. THANKS to everyone who helped, volunteered, or prayed!

Now get ready as the theme for the next Blood Drive is

A Trip to “Discover

Grace Zoo”  
June 29, 2026  
10 am - 4 pm

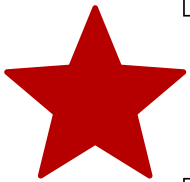




# Upcoming Social Activities Events:

Cereal City Band Concert

Meijer Garden: Chihuly



***Cereal City Band Concert - at Kellogg Manor on Sunday, August 16 with Dinner after the Concert***



***Meijer Gardens - Chihuly Glass Art Exhibit on Wednesday, September 30***



**Cindy's Office Hours  
Monday - Wednesday  
10:00 am - 2:30 pm**

**Pr. Ken's  
Office Hours  
Monday & Wednesday  
10:00 am - Noon**



**Let Us Pray:** If you are aware of others that should be put on the lists, please notify the office.

**Our Homebound Friends:**

- Shirley Beck Hope Landing  
1252 North Cochran #116  
Charlotte, MI 48813
- Karl Golnek c/o Medilodge  
2786 - 56th Street, SW  
Wyoming, MI 49418
- Kay Howell 2950 McKeown Rd, Apt 820  
Hastings, MI 49058
- Diana Brown c/o Hathaway Hills  
*New Address* 1515 Meijer Drive, #19  
Greenville, MI 48838
- Jeanette Ulrich 3887 S M-37 Hwy  
Hastings, MI 49058

**Loved Ones Serving in the Military:**

- Grandson of Freedlunds*  
Parker Stancil (US Army)
- Daughter & son-in-law of Cherie Clements*  
Myrina & Cody Crawford
- Granddaughter of Gwen Hansen*  
Cynthia Rudesill
- Nephew of Joe & Sharon Varkula*  
LT Joel Taggart (USN, Virginia)
- Nephew and Godson of Ed and Kim Domke*  
Seth Domke (Cherry Point, North Carolina)
- Nephews of Ed and Jeanette Markwart*  
Hudson Schick (Air Force, New Mexico)  
Leopold Schick (Air Force, Germany)



**Celebrating Birthdays**

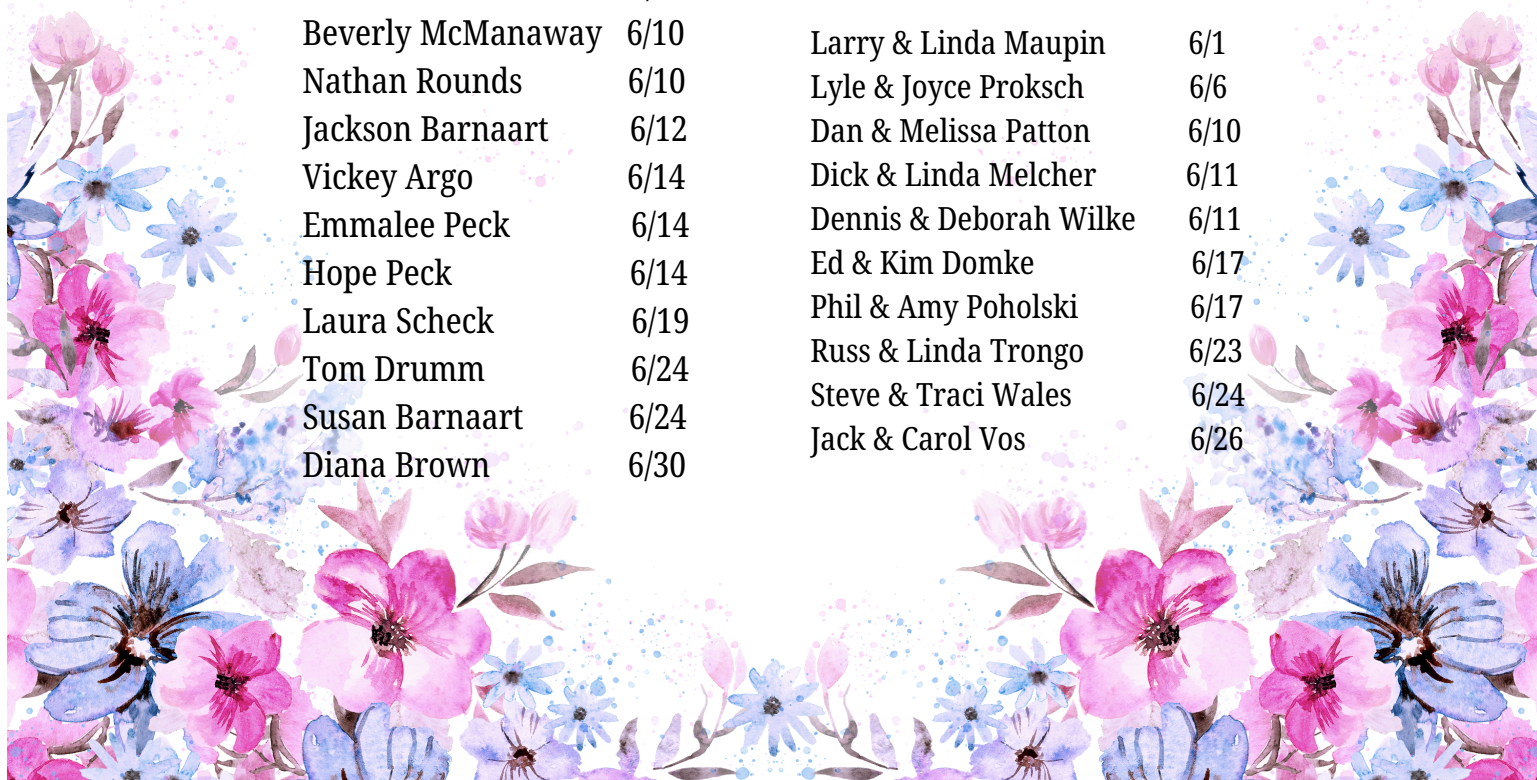


**Celebrating Anniversaries**



- Gwen Hansen 6/3  
Beverly McManaway 6/10  
Nathan Rounds 6/10  
Jackson Barnaart 6/12  
Vickey Argo 6/14  
Emmalee Peck 6/14  
Hope Peck 6/14  
Laura Scheck 6/19  
Tom Drumm 6/24  
Susan Barnaart 6/24  
Diana Brown 6/30

- Larry & Linda Maupin 6/1  
Lyle & Joyce Proksch 6/6  
Dan & Melissa Patton 6/10  
Dick & Linda Melcher 6/11  
Dennis & Deborah Wilke 6/11  
Ed & Kim Domke 6/17  
Phil & Amy Poholski 6/17  
Russ & Linda Trongo 6/23  
Steve & Traci Wales 6/24  
Jack & Carol Vos 6/26



# June

2026 at Grace



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>Grace Office Hours</b> Monday-Wednesday 10 am - 2:30 pm	1	2  <b>Women of faith</b> 11 am	3	4  <b>Brown Bag Bible Study</b> 12 noon	5	6
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