



**Grace Notes P.S.**

Week of Aug 20 – Aug 27, 2017  
**"God's Work – Our Hands"**

**Office Hours:**

Monday - Thursday. Mornings:

9:00 a.m. – Noon

Monday-Thursday. Afternoons:

12:30 – 3:30 p.m.

**Office Phone:**

563-263-5680

Grace is a place where disciples are led by the Spirit in faith practices in a lifestyle of:

- Worship
- Spiritual Formation
- Service

**Weekly Events & Class Listings**

Updates can be found on calendar @ [gracemuscatine.com](http://gracemuscatine.com)

**Sunday, August 20**

<i>Abundant Life Communion</i>	<i>9:00 a.m.</i>	<i>Sanctuary</i>
<i>Coffee Hour</i>	<i>10:00 a.m.</i>	<i>Social Hall</i>
<i>Special Congregational Meeting</i>	<i>10:30 a.m.</i>	<i>Social Hall</i>

**Monday, August 21**

<i>PEO Chapter (Meeting displaced by Wesley Church Renovation)</i>	<i>11:30 a.m.</i>	<i>Social Hall</i>
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**Wednesday, August 23**

<i>Choir Practice</i>	<i>6:30 p.m.</i>	<i>Sanctuary</i>
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**Thursday, August 24**

<i>Grace Notes Newsletter Deadline for the month of September</i>		
<i>Council Meeting</i>	<i>6:30 p.m.</i>	<i>Lounge/Chapel</i>

**Sunday, August 27**

<i>Amazing Grace Communion</i>	<i>9:00 a.m.</i>	<i>Sanctuary</i>
<i>Coffee Hour</i>	<i>10:00 a.m.</i>	<i>Social Hall</i>
<i>Pool Party/Potluck-Shelter Across from Aquatic Center</i>	<i>12:00 noon</i>	<i>Weed Park</i>

**Prayer Concerns:** Bill Nus, Mike Fuller, Ron Gear, Don Clark, Shirlee Staley, Barb Hansen and family and friends of Millie Lothringer, Hayden Daufeldt, and Annie Barnes.

**Fall Confirmation – Save the Date!** Confirmation Parents and Students (kids going in to 7<sup>th</sup> grade or higher) for the 2017-18 school year, there will be a special kick-off event held on Wednesday, **August 30<sup>th</sup>** for those students and families – location pending. Please plan to join us that night. If you have questions before then, please contact Brenda Erber or Pastor Dan.

**Pool Party:** Just a reminder of the pool party on August 27<sup>th</sup>. Please join us for an afternoon of food and fellowship at Weed Park. Meet at noon at the shelter across from the aquatic center. Bring a side dish or a desert to share along with your lawn chair. Meat, drinks and table service will be provided. To plan for this, please call the church office or let a Congregational Life Board member know you will be attending. After lunch there will be lawn games and swimming for those who wish to participate. Discount coupons on admission to the aquatic center will be available. Can't wait to see you there! Cindy Edgmond, Cindy Hermann, Tibe Vander Linden, and Karen Woods.

**Fall/Winter Church Schedules:** Summer is going quickly and we are getting excited to resume our fall/winter schedule! Beginning on September 10, we will have Abundant Life Worship at 8:15am, Coffee hour starting at 9:15am, Adult Education and Christian Education Hours starting at 9:45am, and Amazing Grace Worship at 10:45am. We look forward to seeing you.

**Cookbook Sales Update:** As of July 25th, we have sold 270 books. We have only 69 left that can be purchased Sunday mornings or during normal office hours Monday-Thursday for the low low price of \$10.00. Get your "Tastes of Heaven" before they are gone! Thank you for supporting this driveway fundraiser! Brenda, JoAnne, Lynn, Tammy, and Tibe.

**Rally Day:** Come and join us on September 3<sup>rd</sup> as we celebrate the beginning of a new school year and resume our Christian Education programs! We will start with Abundant Life Worship outside on the lawn where we will install Christian Education leaders and bless our children and youth. The children and youth will also help in leading the service. Please bring your own lawn chairs. After worship, there will be a short cross-generational lesson followed by a meal and some fun Biblical activities! The main course of the meal will be provided. Everyone else is invited to bring a side or dessert to share! If weather does not allow us to be outside, we will move the celebration inside. Looking forward to seeing you there!

**GOD’S WORK. OUR HANDS:** Will you help? For the 4th year in a row, Grace, New Era, Shepherd of the Cross, and Zion will be doing a combined community service project to obtain needed supplies for the MUSCATINE FOOD PANTRY on SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Collection sites will be Hy-Vee Food Store; Hy-Vee Mainstreet; Walmart; and Dollar General. To get more information and/or volunteer, contact Pr. Baldwin; Ramona Allenbaugh; JoAnne Fisher; or Karen Hessel. Be sure to check out the picture display on the hallway wall from the past 3 years!

**Current General Fund Position:**

Attendance for Sunday, Aug 13	<u>114</u>
General Fund Actual Income to date Versus Expenses	<b>\$13,942.11</b>
<b><u>Funds received in 2017 toward 2018 Driveway Project:</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,000.00</u></b>
<b><u>Ministry Support to Date in Year 2017:</u></b>	
Lutheran Chaplaincy Outreach	\$375.00
Lutheran World Relief	\$425.00
World Hunger	\$215.00
Lutheran Services in Iowa	\$250.00
Muscatine Food Pantry	\$245.00
ELCA Synod Support	<u>\$3,000.00</u>
<b><u>2017 External Ministry Support to Date</u></b>	<b><u>\$4,510.00</u></b>

**All account balances are posted on the bulletin board in the Hallway.**

Electronic giving capability is now in place on [www.gracemuscatine.com](http://www.gracemuscatine.com). Mike Allenbaugh, Financial Secretary.

	<b>Aug 20 9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Aug 27 9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Sept 3 9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Sept 10 8:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Sept 10 10:45 a.m.</b>	<b>Sept 17 8:15 a.m.</b>
<b>Assisting Minister/Worship Leader</b>	WL-Jim Edgmond	AM-Al Bengtson	WL-	WL-Carlin Lawhead	AM-John Simmons	WL-Brenda Erber
<b>Ushers</b>	Roger & Sue McConnaha, Ron & Daneice Hage	Ken & JoAnne Fisher, Tibe Vanderlinden, Karen Woods	Phil Chalupa, Jeff White, Roger Erber, Marvin Krieger	Al & Sue Bengtson, Ken & JoAnne Fisher	Keith & Marilyn Hultquist, Vinton & Nancy Cromer	Don & Lynn Kelly, Dennis & Lynn Schuur
<b>Lector</b>	Roger McConnaha	Sharon McCleary	Brenda Erber	Carlin Lawhead	John Simmons	Brenda Erber
<b>Communion Asst/Acolyte</b>	Linda Hinman, Beth Lemkau, Anna Sparks, Julia Moravec	Cindy Hermann, Katie Green, Grace Zorich, Kylie Green	Tracie Lippelgoes, Al Bengtson	Linda Hinman	Traci Lippelgoes	Beth Lemkau
<b>Hospitality</b>	Cindy Sparks	Jim Stein	Sharon McCleary			
<b>Greeter</b>	Daneice Hage	Tammy Stein	Allen Pameticky			
<b>Coffee Time</b>	Jim & Cindy Edgmond	Jay & LeaAnn Logel	Carlin & Vicki Lawhead	Al & Sue Bengtson		Don & Janet Duncan