June 2025

# The Lamp

# Grace Lutheran Church

Making Christ known to



**PRESCHOOL** (from front page) Class of 2025!! That's a wrap! We had a great year! We have made so many memories!! We want to thank everyone that has helped us out through donations or your time. We couldn't do it without all of your help!





On June 2nd & 3rd, the parking lot will be re-striped.
Please do not come and plan on parking in the lot or in front.

They have moved and their new address:

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Chris & Jen Beamsley

14712 W. Farmington Road

🖔 Hanna City, IL 61536



### VBS Has Begun!

Five children attended our first 2025 VBS program. They said they all enjoyed it and said, "See you next Wednesday!" That's a great start! We will continue every Wednesday evening from 6—7:30p.m. through

August 6th. This is a drop in program, so come when you can. Donations for supplies are welcome and appreciated. The schedule for the rest of the month is: Noah, Moses, Abraham and Joseph. Crafts will include painting resin animal figurines, painting rocks, making a compass and tie-dye shirts. Come and join the fun!

Special thanks to everyone who is volunteering. Many hands make the events go smoothly and another great benefit is watching the children learn more about God as they grow in faith.

Thanks friends! Susan

### Celebrate Christmas in July with Graceful Ladies!!

DATE: July 15, 2025

COST: \$10.00 per person (Graceful Ladies will pay for

lunch and desert)

PLACE: Stefan West (specialty drinks are not included)

276 S. West Ave Kankakee, IL

Meet at the Church by 11:15a.m., leave at 11:20a.m., and carpool to the restaurant. Terry must receive your response and required portion by July 6th in order to attend.

JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF FUND AND GOOD FOOD!





### RAISE THE ROOF!!

The rummage sale benefitting our Raise the Roof fund is just around the corner - June 5, 6 & 7. Start checking those closets! We could use some help, so please add your name to the sign up sheet on the table in the fellowship hall.

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### **SHOUT OUT**

A big thanks to John and Cindy for repairing the old pews, and putting them back into service!

We appreciate all you do!!

**Grace members are good at several things...**one of them is PRAYING. You have probably noticed in the Sunday bulletins and newsletters, our list of folks we're praying for is actually longer than the list of people sitting in the pews to pray. And that's fine.

However, knowing for whom to pray is important. Also important is knowing when someone is healed, cured, feeling better, etc., so we can celebrate that.

Check the list. If you have added someone who can be thankfully removed, please let the office know. Don't put the burden on the admin (Barb) to try to guess when someone can be taken off the list.

When the Assistant reads prayers on Sunday morning and the time comes to mention names of those needing prayers, please be confident and speak out. And remember...unless you have a super memory, the list of names in the bulletin is meant to tear off and take home with you.

Rummage Sale June 5, 6, 7

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! for your kind donations benefitting our "Raise the Roof" fund. We have already collected many great items and look forward to getting many more. Don't forget to come and shop. Please consider working a few hours to help tag or sell items. Contract Mark Lange at 630 926 3547 if you can volunteer.

Stay after service on Sunday June 8 for a brief congregational meeting to elect new council members. If you are interested in serving on council, please see Paula Webb or Christy Ziller.

### THE SLAMMER'S BASEBALL GAME!

It was so good to see friends and family of Grace enjoying the SLAMMERS baseball game. Friends and family of the Carlson's, Webb's, Dzak's, Elsner's, Creed's, and Karen Neilsen all had a great time. We hope to continue to add this to our annual list of activities, so if you missed us this year, join us next year. 34 tickets were sold creating a \$170 donation by the SLAMMERS for the roof fund.

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### The Red Carpet Corridor Rt 66 Festival was held on May 3rd

Thank you to all who helped at Red Carpet Corridor. Despite the weather, the outreach was very positive. We passed out brochures with information about the church. Christy did face painting. Diane and Cindy put on tattoos. Susan's fishing game was a huge success. The donation jar collected

enough to cover the spaces for the day. A prayer request jar was put out. Even though we only had one request, that request was truly heart touching and sincere. With just one, I was able to pray daily for the family. If we do a prayer jar again and have more, we will have a place on a Sunday that each parishioner can pick up one to pray for. Our sale of Route 66 items was not as strong, mostly due to a low Flea Market turn out. The weather was chilly and there was a lot going on near the Gemini Giant area. The cost of the remaining items was donated, and these items will be on the garage sale to add to those profits. Thank you John, Gary, and Kevin for helping with set up and tear down. How do you see Grace reaching out to the community? Please share your thoughts with a Council member so we can help make it happen.

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In Our Prayers

Members: Sharon Folkestad, Arlene Hankins, Cindy Filas, Andy David Kirstein

Home-bound: Norma Siebring (at home), Ruth Chew (at home), Marie Christian (at home), Doris Dickey (Riverside Senior Living, Jean Goodwin (Bickford House, Bourbonnais), Joann House (Sunny Hill, Joliet), John Muday, (Arcadia Care, Morris) Members: Sharon Folkestad, Arlene Hankins, Cindy Filas, Andy Nielsen,

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Friends and Family of Grace: Chris Beamsley, Larry Trimby (brother to Susan Trimby), Cynthia Marvollo (great aunt to Christy Ziller), Judy Michael (friend of Grace Lutheran),

Kathy Schwiesow (sister of Dan Bell), Harry Bond (friend of Janelle Reents), Sandy Carlson (Pr. Paul's wife), Carrie Francis (friend of Jackie Danalewich),
Mary Ellen Webb (sister of John Filas), Al Zlomie Sr. (our custodian),

Candy Marshall (Jim Hankins' sister), Sarah (Jean Petersen's granddaughter),
Karen (Jean Petersen's daughter), Bobby Schamonski (friend of Grace Lutheran),
Robert Cooper (friend of Dan Bell), Jeanie (sister to Bonnie Hill),

Linda Wilder (daughter of Marie Christian), April Highbaugh (friend of the Folkestads),

Lucy Cranmer (great granddaughter of Helen Warke), Yaniv (grandson of Ruth Chew),
Edward McCarthy (son of Barbara Kirstein), Brian (son of Marie Christian),
Rita Francis (friend of Jackie Danalewich), Chris Thompson (grandson of JoAnn Thompson),
Brenda (daughter of Norma Siebring), Christopher Warke (son of Helen Warke),

Roger Gundersen (son-in-law of Helen Warke),
Reese Wyers (granddaughter of Cindy & John Filas), Catherine Conger (daughter of Karen Nielsen)
John Pick (nephew of Helen Warke), Matt Prodehl (son-in-law of Dan Bell)

### Missionary for a Day ~ June 2025

06/10 Kurt & Lynn Stehlik In Celebration of Emma Slater's Birthday

In Celebration of their Wedding Anniversary 06/11 Kurt & Lynn Stehlik

06/13 Roy & Bonnie Hill In Celebration of Bonnie's Birthday

06/15 WELCA In Celebration of Father's Day

### BIRTHDAYS FOR JUNE

06/11 Dave Phillips 06/12 Charlie Schad 06/13 Bonnie Hill

Irving DeWald 06/17 Karen Nielsen 06/21 06/16 Jaden Christian

Jean Goodwin 06/27 Jacob McPherson 06/30 Regina Bauer 06/26

### Anniversaries ~ June

Kurt & Lynn Stehlik 06/11

Dan & Mary Bell 06/17

Earl (Red) & Sharon Folkestad 06/17

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Making Christ known to all through Worship, Service, and Fellowship

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VOLUNTIFIES

Canned

Juices

Sat

Thu

Wed

Tue

Mon

Sun

Karen Nielsen Helen Warke R. J. Pardon Paula Webb Jeff Reents Lector Jackie D. **Assisting Minister** Susan Trimby Susan Trimby Dave Phillips Christy Ziller Dee Elsner Dee Elsner 80/90 06/15 06/29 06/22 90//0 06/01

Videographer Christy Ziller **-ynn Stehlik** Mark Lange Mark Lange 90/90 06/15 06/22 06/01

06/01 Maryann & Will Ricken Greeters

Christy Ziller Lynn Stehlik

06/29

90/20

06/15 Jim & Arlene Hankins 06/22 Marsha & Phil Keller 06/08 Cindy & John Filas 06/29 Bonnie & Roy Hill

07/06 Terry & Dave Phillips

06/08 Diane Creed & Paula Webb 06/15 Gary Gruhn & Kurt Stehlik 06/29 Dan Bell & Bruce Elsner 06/01 Jim & Arlene Hankins 06/22 Gindy & John Filas Ushers

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Altar Guild: Christy Ziller

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