

AUGUST 2023

NOTATIONS

COMING TOGETHER TO LEARN, LIVE, AND SHARE THE TRUTH OF CHRIST

CELEBRATE Friendship Sunday!

Our annual Friendship Sunday will be held on September 10, 10:30 a.m. at Trillium Creek. We hope one and all can join us that day, and we ask that you invite a friend or two to come along—we have something so special to share with the world!

Trinity is in charge of set up this year; Grace will organize the meal; St. Paul's will handle the take down. See you then!



*Be the best friend you can be—
invite someone to church!*



Looking Ahead—

Bible Class & Sunday School will begin a new year of study on Sunday, September 17, at St. Paul's. Don't miss out on this weekly feast of God's Word!

St. Paul's Greeters **August** Grace Ushers

August 6
 Joy Taylor D Neumann, J Sturm
August 13
 DuWayne Zamzow Bob & Bryce Blaubach
August 20
 Mark & Joline Bartelt J Neumann, K Zellner
August 27
 Dan & Rita Pittsley S Christian, M Fasse

Wildcat Open!

The 29th Annual Wildcat Open will be held Saturday, August 12, at the Pine Valley Golf Course in Marathon. This golf outing benefits the Northland Lutheran High School Athletic programs and Tuition Assistance. Please see the poster and flyers on the back table for registration information.




Pastor will be away over August 20, so the celebration of Holy Communion at St. Paul's will be postponed until August 27.

Grace Financial Update

June Income:	\$ 6,659.70
June Disbursements:	\$ 6,713.59
YTD Mission Offering:	\$ 3,106.00
2023 Mission Goal:	\$ 5,500.00
Percentage of Goal:	56.47%
Parsonage Garage:	\$ 4,675.00
Garage Goal:	\$ 20,000.00
Christian Ed Fund:	\$ 5,550.32
NLHS:	\$ 145.00

Vacation Bible School 2023 was a trip back in time! Thank you to everyone who helped make it a success.



St. Paul's Financial Update

June Income:	\$ 5,808.00
June Disbursements:	\$ 4,309.23
Christian Ed Fund:	\$ 1,913.00
<i>(2023-2024, begun 7/1/22)</i>	
YTD NLHS Offerings:	\$ 3,085.00
2023 NLHS Commitment:	\$ 4,750.00
NLHS Debt Reduction:	\$ 5,559.70
YTD Mission Offering:	\$ 2,691.00
2023 Mission Goal:	\$ 4,000.00
Good Samaritan Fund:	\$ 840.00



Sin & Grace

Dear members and friends of Grace and St. Paul's,

At Vacation Bible School last week I noticed that all the lessons were about sin and grace. On Monday we studied the boy Jesus in the temple. We heard how we have all disobeyed God's Word: **sin**. Jesus learned, obeyed, and fulfilled God's Word perfectly for us: **grace**. On Tuesday we learned how Jesus came to a sinful Zaccheus with his grace. Wednesday we heard how Jesus lived a perfect life, died on a cross, and rose from the dead to save sinners. On Thursday we learned that we have not loved others, but God loved and saved us. And on Friday, we learned of the Apostle Paul, preaching sin and grace in the city of Athens.

Sin and grace is the message of the entire Bible.

Sin and grace is what our church and worship is all about.

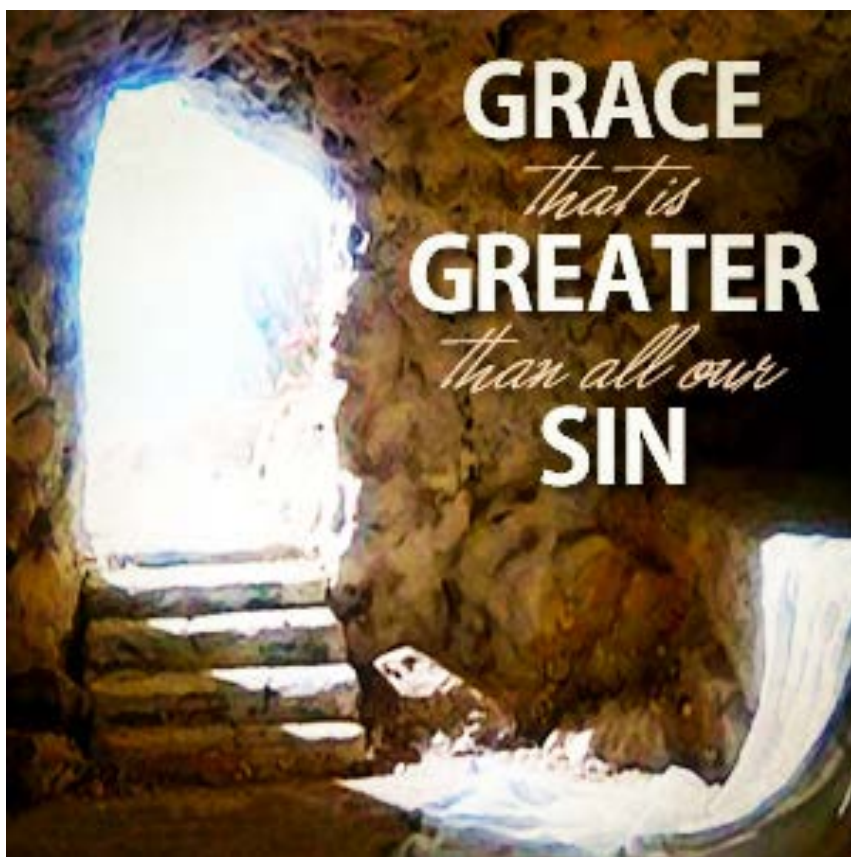
Sin and grace is what our Christian lives are all about. We are sinners through and through, every minute of every day. But God is gracious to us. Jesus took away our sins on the cross and gave us his perfection, making us God's holy ones.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. Romans 3:23,24

Sin and grace is everything.

Your friend in Christ,

Pastor Willitz



Amazing grace—how sweet the sound—that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.

The Lord has promised good to me; his Word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

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