

JUNE

2021

Griffith Lutheran Church
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***“Growing Christ-Centered
relationships in our
communities through
love and service.”***

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♦Worship Time: Sunday @ 9:30 a.m.

♦Please “like” us on Facebook to watch
the worship service live on Facebook.

Previously recorded GLC worship services
are also available to watch on YouTube.

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2021 Council Officers, Board/Committee Chairs

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OFFICERS

President: Scott Muffett

Vice President: Carrie Sovola

Treasurer: JoEllen Pilipow

Financial Secretary: Annette Johanson

Recording Secretary: Loretta Muffett

BOARD/COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Altar Guild: Carol Boyle

Elders: Nina Miller

Evangelism: Cheri Robbins

Fellowship: JoEllen Pilipow

GLCW: Gail Shimala & Debbie Lewis

Missions: Sandra Ruban

Music & Worship Committee: Cheri Robbins

Mutual Ministry Committee: Martha Krop

Social Ministry: Marilyn Carey

Stewardship: Dennis Robbins

Christian Ed/Sunday School: ~ Open ~

Trustees: ~ Open ~

Youth Group: ~ Open ~

2021 Board of Elders

“Growing together in faith -
caring for and loving one another in Christ”

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Caring for families: Jon & Gisele Smith - Zurawski



New to Prayer List:

Chris Shropshire, daughter of Marilyn Carey ~ Bob Fentress, heart procedure – brother of Sandra Ruban

We Pray for Worshippers:

Karen Slager ~ Tom Fleming, recovery from surgery ~ Bruce Marcheschi ~ Don & Suzanne Schmidt ~ Dennis Robbins ~ Sandy Lee, recovery from stroke ~ LeAnn Stutler ~ Cathy Marcheschi ~ JoAnne Villa ~ John & Linda Aldrin ~ Nancy Carrell ~ George Boules ~ Madeline Conn ~ Louise Oman ~ Shelle Sharp Williams ~ Deanna Johanson ~ Phyllis Darnell ~ Dave & Sylvia Hedges ~ Velma Thiel ~ Terri Bogdan ~ Sandra Ruban ~ Mark Stutler ~ Jim Reyome ~ Archie MacDonald ~ RoseAnn White ~ Richard Koehler ~ Alan Bowers - Golden Living Nursing Home ~ Bernice Morris – Lincolnshire Health Care Center ~ Russ Schroeder ~ Diane Tomasko – St. Anthony Nursing Home

Our Loved ones in the Armed Forces:

Kurt Blount, stationed in DeForest, WI with wife Mae and daughter Emma ~ Doug Vaughan, grandson of Lucille Brady - stationed in New York, Fort Durum ~ Marissa Darnell, grand-daughter of Phyllis Darnell – Civil Engineer Corps Officers School, Port Hueneme, CA.

Friends & Family:

Carl Bodenhofer - Carrie Sovola's dad ~ Jack, throat cancer – friend of Annette Johanson ~ Eloise, health issues & Skip, recovery from stroke – friends of Karen Slager ~ Diane – daughter of Velma Thiel ~ Sara Piepho, health issues - granddaughter of Terry Hennig ~ Janet Schlosser, health issues – niece of Velma Thiel ~ Doug, health issues – son-in-law of Velma Thiel ~ Michelle, rehab - daughter-in-law of Terry Hennig ~ Eileen Richeke ~ Ray & Lisa Guyse - cousins of Cheri Robbins ~ Becky & Kathy - nieces of Velma Thiel ~ Donna Moore – friend of Martha Krop ~ Mark Epstein, cancer - co-worker of Nina Miller ~ Ann Cacich, multiple myeloma - sister of Sue Tomes ~ Chad Aldrin - son of John & Linda Aldrin ~ Paul, stomach cancer - brother of Dennis Robbins

Happy Anniversary

June 7: Mike & Kristin Struebing Celebrating 29 years.

June 15: Kristen & Ryan Stablein Celebrating 8 years.

June 16: John & Debbie Lewis Celebrating 48 years.

June 16: Charles & Susan Newman Celebrating 42 years.

June 22 Carl & Karen Hochstetler Celebrating 23 years.

June 29: Dennis & Cheryl Robbins Celebrating 47 years.



Happy Birthday

June 2: Geraldine Larson

June 2: John Hindahl

June 2: Catherine Marcheschi

June 2: Natalie Schultze

June 6: Greg Joyce

June 7: Deborah Schroeder

June 7: LeAnn Stutler

June 8: Linda Aldrin

June 8: Ryan Stablein

June 12: Hailey Kettwig

June 17: Kurt Blount

June 18: Sara Joyce

June 19: Mark Stutler

June 20: Michael Bratcher

June 22: Lisa Lemster

June 23: Annette Johanson

June 24: Richard Shimala

June 25: Kyle Jursic

June 28: David Blount

June 2021

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6 9:30a.m. Worship Service Available via Facebook or YouTube	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 9:30a.m. Worship Service Available via Facebook or YouTube	14 7p.m. Council Meeting	15	16	17	18	19
20 Father's Day 9:30a.m. Worship Service Available via Facebook or YouTube	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 9:30a.m. Worship Service Available via Facebook or YouTube	28	29	30	<u>Griffith Lutheran Church ELCA</u> Griffith Lutheran Church is Live Streaming all of our Worship Services on Facebook. Copyright Streaming License #CSPL145131 Like us on Facebook Instagram: griffithlutheran		

Pastor Scales

Has it been six months? Yes! Carrie Sovola has been our Deaconess Intern for six months and she has brought a rich ministry into our congregation. She preaches at least once each month. She leads Sunday School when we are in session, --and we will be beginning again in-house Sunday School in June. Carrie has called or contacted or at least has tried to contact, every one of you on the phone, email, text. She will be on vacation during some of the month of June, but otherwise, she faithfully has been worship assistant in all of our services keeping us moving gently and confidently through the liturgy.

Our church is very fortunate to have someone within our congregation who has accepted the call to be a servant of word and service. For some reason, God has directed each one of us here to be at Griffith Lutheran Church. We are meant to be here together. As God has called us to be here as a congregation, God has called Carrie to lead us in our congregational ministry.

Prayers continue to be with Carrie in the last half of her internship and also with us as we bring and share God's love and compassion within our own congregation and without.



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**Love INC. Open House
Saturday, June 5
Noon—5p.m.
All are welcome!**



Our mission is to mobilize local churches to transform lives and communities In the Name of Christ.

The GLC Mission for June is *Love In the Name of Christ*.

Love INC is designed to help Church members engage their community & focus on the client's needs. Most Churches want to move beyond offering just financial help which encourages dependency & most Pastors appreciate having a tool to help their congregation serve outside their Church. Many people are willing to help others, but are looking for other ways to do so. Love INC is a bridge between the Church & the people looking for help. Love INC helps Churches help people; there are no fees for any services that Love INC provides. Love INC is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization & all your gifts are tax deductible.

Love INC provides the following services:

Love's Book Nook ~ First Christian Church (DOC) - Highland – gently used books for children, many children don't have age appropriate books at home.

Scrub-a-Dove ~ First United Lutheran Church of Hammond – cleaning products, laundry & dish detergent, mops & brooms, cleanser, etc.

New Life 4-U ~ New Life CRC – Highland – personal care & hygiene products, toilet paper, feminine products, toothpaste & toothbrushes.

Linens of Love ~ Griffith Lutheran Church – Griffith - linens, blankets, throws, bedspreads, NEW inexpensive bed pillows, kitchen linens & bath linens.

Cradle 'N' All ~ St. Paul's Episcopal – Munster – diapers, wipes, bottles, etc., up to 24 months.

Karing Kitchen ~ First Presbyterian Church – Highland – pots & pans, dishes, silverware, plastic glassware, working microwaves & toasters, etc.

Furniture Ministry ~ Love INC Office – clean mattresses up to queen, bed frames, couches, recliners, small dining tables & chairs, dressers, coffee & end tables.

Food Pantries ~ Faith Church Munster & Munster CRC, accepts non-perishable items.

Down Under ~ NEW socks & underwear, hats & gloves, many children attend school without these essential needs.

Seasonal Ministries ~ Thanksgiving meals & Christmas meals & gifts provided through the *Love INC Adopt-A-Family*, area churches adopt families to provide for the holidays.

Hammond City Rescue Mission

**Feed the Homeless Lunch Program
at the City Rescue Mission Homeless Shelter;
527 State Street, Hammond, IN,**

GLC will be providing a homecooked meal about twice a month for the Hammond City Rescue Mission. Meals include; entrée, sides, beverage and dessert for approximately 45 adults.



Boy Scouts of America Troop 264

Through the month of June, we will be collecting a special offering for two Eagle Scout projects for GLC. Shane Anthony will work on beautification around flag pole for our front lawn, and Mason Rex will run electricity to our garage. We will hear more from each of the Scouts in the coming weeks about their plans for GLC. Please consider giving to these projects and mark your envelopes "Eagle Scout Projects."



Rummage Sale Thank You!

Thank you to all that donated to our rummage sale, to those that helped price items, those that helped set up tables and display all the treasures and pack up after the sale was over for Hearts in Motion. Special thanks to Martha, Carol, Margie, Debbie T, Debbie L, Janet, Gail, Pam, Cheri, Loretta, MaryAnn, Lucille and Rich, Fred, John, Jason and the Love INC men for working with the furniture in the garage. This would not have been such a success without all of the help of our congregation! We made a total to date of \$3,114.00. We still have several items online for sale.

JoEllen, Fellowship Chair

GLC will be a water stop sponsor at the HighlandGriffith Chamber of Commerce Tour de HighlandGriffith Ride & Walk on Saturday, June 12th.

We need a few volunteers to hand out water from 11a-1p at the water stop located at Broad and Main Streets. (Volunteers are invited to enjoy complimentary lunch at Wicker Park at the conclusion of the event.)

If you are able to help, please contact Carrie Sovola via carrie.sovola@valpo.edu or 219-201-8713.



Service Suggestions

"So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith." Galatians 6:10

Here are some opportunities to serve. You can find more information in the newsletter or by calling the church office.

Love, INC - June Mission

Carmelite Home - Gift cards and monetary donations are being collected after their devastating fire.

Boy Scouts Troop 264 - A special offering is being collected in June for two Eagle Scout projects.

Tour de HighlandGriffith Ride & Walk -

Volunteer at the GLC water stop sponsor on Saturday, June 12.

God's Work. Our Hands. Sunday -

On Sunday, Sept. 12, congregations of the ELCA will come together for "God's work. Our hands." Sunday. Stay tuned!

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