



"Growing Christ-Centered relationships in our communities through love and service."

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PRAYER REQUESTS



We Pray for Worshippers:

Rich Shimala – recovery for back surgery ~ Sue Tomes ~ Fred & Margie Steinke ~ Karen Slager ~ Roy Runyan – health issues ~ Lisa Lemster – health concerns ~ Annette Johanson – health concerns ~ Gail Shimala ~ Bob Pahl ~ John & Linda Aldrin ~ Don & Suzanne Schmidt ~ Nicole Kettwig ~ Janet Malone ~ Dawn Fleming ~ Denny & Cheri Robbins ~ Linda Anderson ~ Mark Stutler ~ Maradele Koehler ~ Sylvia Hedges ~ John Kettwig ~ Bernice Morris ~ Sandra Ruban ~ Elaine Kearney ~ Louise Oman ~ Nancy Carrell ~ George Boules

Friends & Family:

Pastor James Swanson, recovering from stroke, residing in Lowell Nursing Home ~ Shelly Fentress, Breast Cancer – sister-in law to Sandra Ruban ~ Michelle, Goddaughter of Gail Shimala - complications during pregnancy ~ Loretta Muffett's Aunt Patty – cancer ~ Richard Mounts – cancer, uncle of Shirley Comer ~ Rory, NICU – granddaughter of JoAnn Torok-Bakker ~ Mike, recovering from stroke – friend of Nina Miller ~ Eloise, health issues – friend of Karen Slager ~ Dick, health issues – uncle of Karen Slager ~ Reuben, lung cancer – co-worker of Nina Miller ~ Francesca, health concerns – family friend of Nina Miller ~ Evey, Breast Cancer – family friend of Stutler's ~ Denise Stribbling, health issues – friend of Roy Runyan ~ Marie Cox – sister of Louise Oman ~ Scott Carey, cancer – son of Marilyn Carey ~ Chris Shropshire – daughter of Marilyn Carey ~ Jack Berry – Cancer, friend of Annette Johanson ~ Melinda Pepik, cancer – daughter of Janet Malone ~ Kenny, health issues – brother of Annette Johanson ~ Chad Aldrin, son of John & Linda Aldrin ~ Ray & Lisa Guyse – cousins of Cheri Robbins

Prime Timers Reminder

Our next meeting of the Prime Timers will be on Wednesday, August 12, at noon.

We will begin with a devotional and a light lunch. After lunch we play card or board games. There is something for everyone to enjoy.

All are welcome, and you can bring a friend. It's a fun way to spend a couple of hours with our church friends.

Please sign up or call the church office if you are planning on attending so we purchase enough food.

We hope to see you on the 12th!!!

GLC BLESSING BOX

Thank you to all who are helping to keep our Blessing Box stocked!

Most popular and frequently requested items:

Canned meat (chicken, tuna), beef jerky, peanut butter, Mac and cheese, Ramen, pasta/sauce, rice or dried bean products, cereal, instant oatmeal, granola bars, crackers, dried fruit, coffee, tea, toilet paper, soap...



The Bound With Love Quilters are raffling two Quilts at GLC's Annual Car Show & Community BBQ!

The first is a Route 66 themed quilt which was designed and quilted as a collaborative effort of the Bound With Love Quilters. The second quilt "*Windmills of my mind*" was designed by our New Orleans auxiliary; Rachel Slager. It was completed and tied here by the Bound With Love Quilters. Proceeds from the raffle support our ongoing ministry. The quilts made by the Bound With Love quilters go to Lutheran World Relief, The local Foster Care Program and local emergency needs.

Thank you for your support!!



Happy Anniversary!!!

August 1: Andy & Christine Wroblewski Celebrating 28 years.

Trent & Lauren Fullgraf Celebrating 11 years.

August 5: Bob & Gayle Pahl Celebrating 54 years.

Scott & Sherry Mauch Celebrating 49 years.

August 18: Mark & Julie Stutler Celebrating 36 years.

August 19: John & Linda Aldrin Celebrating 59 years.

George & Joann Boulles Celebrating 42 years.

Happy Birthday!!!

August 3: Debbie Lewis

August 6: Emmett Flanagan

August 7: MaryAnn Lovas

August 9: Joann Boulles

August 17: Gail Shimala

August 19: Dianne Alexander

August 21: Denise Buehler

August 25: Pamela Przybylowski

August 28: Matt Csonka

August 29: Dean Johanson

August 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 9am Worship Service	3	4 10am Quilting Group	5	6 7pm Boy Scouts	7 11am Serve Lunch @ Hammond Shelter	8
9 9am Worship Service	10 6:30pm Council Meeting	11 10am Quilting Group	12 Noon Prime Timers Group	13 7pm Boy Scouts	14	15 11am Serve Lunch @ Hammond Shelter
16 9am Worship Service	17	18 10am Quilting Group	19	20 7pm Boy Scouts	21	22 Annual GLC Car Show & BBQ
23 9am Worship Service	24	25 10am Quilting Group	26	27 7pm Boy Scouts	28	29
30 9am Worship Service	31					

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

This year the GLCW will be collecting school supplies to make School Kits for Lutheran World Relief. We will also provide any extra supplies to Longfellow New Tech Elementary in Calumet Township. Lutheran World Relief provides School Kits to students impacted by natural disasters or poverty in the US as well as in other parts of the world.

The GLCW will be collecting the supplies until mid-August.

The items for the school kits must not have any religious or national symbols on them.

Each kit will contain the same items.

The items needed for each kit are:

- 4 -70 sheet spiral notebooks (wide ruled or college ruled)
- 1 ruler with centimeters and inches
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 1 pair of blunt scissors
- 5 unsharpened #2 pencils
- 5 black or blue pens (no gel pens)
- 1 box of 24 crayons
- 1 – 2 1/2-inch eraser



If you wish to provide supplies for Longfellow, they can use the same items as above.

In addition, they need: glue sticks and bottles of glue, pencil boxes, dry erase markers, and two pocket folders.

They also appreciate boxes of Kleenex.

If you would prefer to give a monetary donation it will be used to buy the still needed supplies **and** to cover the cost of postage for the School Kits.

Thank you so much for helping us help children in need.

Electronic giving is also available on the GLC Website! Simply go to www.griffithlutheran.org, click on the **DONATE NOW** button, locate the **School Supplies** tile and click on the **GIVE** button!

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The Griffith Lutheran Church Mission Of The Month:



Phil's Friends is a truly meaningful and impactful organization dedicated to serving those battling cancer. Founded in 2005 by Phil Zeilke as he was personally battling Hodgkin's Lymphoma.

When a friend sent Phil a thoughtfully assembled care package filled with much-needed items like personal care products, encouraging handwritten cards, heartfelt prayers, and genuine personal encouragement and support, it deeply inspired him and changed his perspective.

Phil founded Phil's Friends as a personal reminder to himself that Christ-centered hope, meaningful prayer, and genuine human contact and connection are much-needed resources that many cancer patients lack and desperately need during their treatment and recovery.

Care packages are sent whenever a request is made by those in need, and the volunteers of the "Hope Center" assemble personally designed boxes specifically for each individual patient, carefully directed by the patient's loving family members.

There are many wonderful opportunities available to volunteer at Phil's Friends, which is conveniently located in Crown Point, Indiana. If you have an interest in volunteering or if you know of a person in need of a care package, please contact Phil's Friends directly at 219-653-8315 or fill out a request form at info@philsfriends.org.

GLC Service Suggestions

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

You can find more opportunities to serve throughout the newsletter, weekly bulletin, or by calling the church office.



Hammond City Rescue Mission

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

The GLC provides a homecooked meal prepared by the Fellowship Committee twice a month for the Hammond City Rescue Mission. Meals include; entrée, sides, beverage and dessert.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO HELP SERVE MEALS!

Please meet at GLC by 11a.m.

If you would like to volunteer your time to deliver and / or serve the meals, a volunteer sign-up sheet is posted on the white board outside of the church office.

Please call or email the church office if you have any questions.

Lector / Tech / Light Bearer/ Worship Asst. Schedule July 2026

DATE	LECTOR	TECH	LIGHT BEARER	Worship Assist
08/02/2026	Garret Wright	Janet Csonka	Sarah Buck	Dean Johanson
08/09/2026	Jeff Csonka	Scott Muffett	Shirley Comer	Dawn Fleming
08/16/2026	Matt Csonka	Mark Stutler	Lauren Fullgraf	Matt Csonka
08/23/2026	Sarah Buck	Janet Csonka	Shirley Comer	Sarah Buck
08/30/2026	Shirley Comer	Dean Johanson Janet Csonka	Lauren Fullgraf	Shirley Comer

GLCW News

The GLCW will be sorting and packing the school supplies to send to Lutheran World Relief at the end of August. We will also be delivering extra supplies to Longfellow New Tech in Calumet Township. We want to thank the congregation for their generous support for this project. We couldn't do it without your help.

The Priscilla Circle has finished their Bible study, *Jesus and Women In the First Century and Now*. We enjoyed this study very much. The author of the study is Cristi Mclelland who is a very knowledgeable, humorous speaker. We decided to do another study by the same author. Starting in September we will be studying *The Gospel on the Ground*. The focus of this study will be the early church from the book of Acts.

We would like to invite you to join us on September 16 at 10:00 AM. If you are interested, please let Loretta know so we have enough books. Come and try it out. You might be surprised.

Griffith Lutheran Church

14th Annual Community

Bar-B-Q & Car Show

Saturday, August 22, 2026

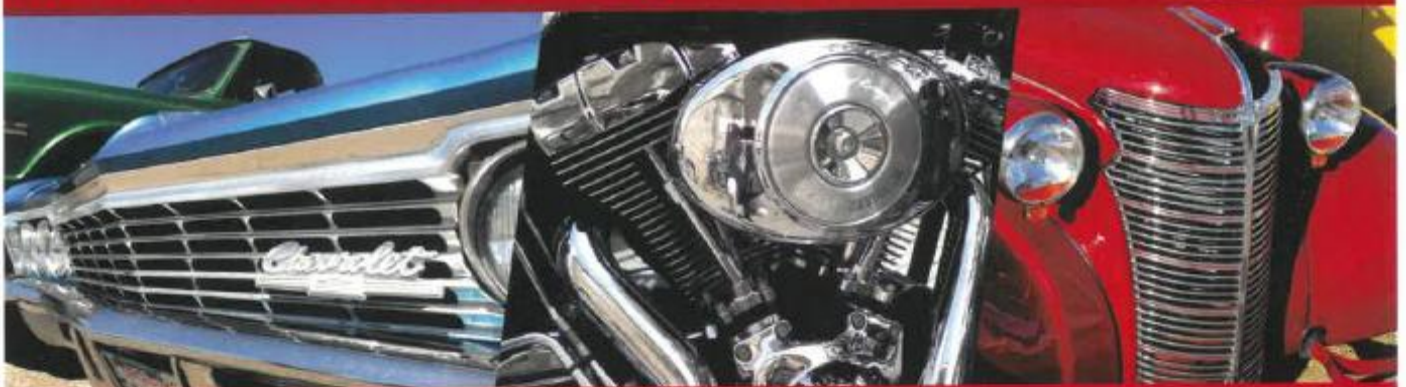
RAIN DATE: AUGUST 23

Picnic: 11am until food runs out

Car Show: Registration 10:30 am,

Show 11am - 2pm, Awards 1:30 pm

1000 N. Broad St., Griffith, IN



***Polish up your rides & please come out
& join us for Food, Fun and Games!!***

***GREAT
FOOD***

- Admission to Car Show & Picnic is FREE
- Children's Games, Prizes & Crafts
- Music & Entertainment
- Animals Available for Adoption
- 1st Place Awards for Car, Truck & Motorcycle Entries
- Goodie Bags for First 50 Show Entries
- Giveaways to Show Entrants

\$15 Pre-Registration, \$20 day of show

Early registration starts at 9am

**For more info contact Mark Stutler 219-776-8373
or Griffith Lutheran Church 219-838-1626**

Quilt Raffle and prizes from the GLC Bound With Love Quilt Group!



Online Giving
[secure.myvanco.
com/L-ZXX6](https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZXX6)

Town of Griffith Public Safety & Community Day

Date: Saturday, September 19, 2026

Time: 10:00a.m. – 2:00p.m.

Location: Central Park, 600 N Broad St.

Cost: Free admission



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