



Griffith Lutheran Church 1000 N Broad St Griffith, IN 46319

2025

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

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Griffith Lutheran Church ELCA

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2025 Council Officers, Board/Committee Chairs

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OFFICERS

President: Nina Miller

Vice President: Martha Krop

Treasurer: JoEllen Pilipow

Bookkeeper: Sue Tomes

Financial Secretary: Annette Johanson

Recording Secretary: Shirley Comer

BOARD / COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Music & Worship Committee: ~ Open ~

Mutual Ministry Committee: Martha Krop

Altar Guild: Carol Boyle

Christian Ed/Sunday School: Dennis Robbins

Evangelism: Karen Slager

Fellowship: JoEllen Pilipow

GLCW: Gail Shimala

Missions: Sandra Ruban

Social Ministry: ~ Open ~

Stephen Ministry: Loretta Muffett

Stewardship: ~ Open ~

Trustees: Jeff Csonka

**** For any Member Spiritual Care needs, please contact:**

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Eternal Flame And Altar flower Sponsorship



The Eternal Flame Chart and Altar Flower Chart for 2026 have been posted in the Narthex. The cost to sponsor the Eternal Flame is \$10 and the cost to sponsor Altar Flowers is \$40 (\$20 per vase). Sponsorship is first come first served.

Sponsorship is a way to honor a loved one, celebrate a milestone like a birthday or anniversary or simply give thanks for blessings in your life. Your sponsorship also helps enhance our sanctuary with the glow and warmth of the Eternal Flame and the fresh and colorful flower arrangements, creating a more beautiful and welcoming worship service experience.

If you are not able to sign up in person, please call the office and Loretta will assist you.

*Thanks to all the Trustees who came out on the Trustee clean-up day on October 18th and assisted in addressing our Fall projects needing to be accomplished before the winter season. I sincerely appreciate your help.
Jeff Csonka, Head Trustee*

The Board of Trustees is looking for individuals interested in assisting with the maintenance of our church building and church grounds. While a general background in overall maintenance (at work or home) is helpful it is not a requirement. In addition the Head Trustee position will be opening at the end of the year. If anyone is interested in either of these two opportunities, please contact (talk to) Jeff Csonka for the details.



We Pray for Worshippers:

Nicole Kettwig ~ Janet Malone ~ Dawn Fleming
~ Bob Pahl ~ Denny & Cheri Robbins ~ Phyllis
Darnell, health concerns ~ Linda Anderson,
prayers for healing and comfort ~ Frank Spear,
health concerns ~ Mark Stutler ~ Roy Runyan –
health issues ~ Don & Suzanne Schmidt ~
Maradele Koehler ~ Rich Shimala ~ Sylvia
Hedges ~ John Kettwig ~ Bernice Morris ~ Fred
& Margie Steinke ~ Sandra Ruban ~ Elaine Kearney ~ Geri Larson –
Residences of Deer Creek ~ Louise Oman ~ John & Linda Aldrin ~ Nancy
Carrell ~ George Boulles ~ JoAnne Villa; Christian Village, Crown Point ~

Our Loved ones in the Armed Forces:

Lt. Marissa Darnell, granddaughter of Phyllis Darnell – stationed at Naval
Base Port Hueneme, CA.

Friends & Family:

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 ~ Bob Fentress, knee surgery – brother of Sandra Ruban
~ Denise Stribbling, health issues – friend of Roy Runyan ~ Marie Cox –
sister of Louise Oman ~ Lois White – friend of Louise Oman ~ Scott Carey,
cancer – son of Marilyn Carey ~ Chris Shropshire – daughter of Marilyn
Carey ~ Brian Wagner, cancer – grandson of Geri Larson ~ Melanie
Obermeyer, health issues – daughter-in-law of Phyllis Darnell ~ Jack Berry
– Cancer, friend of Annette Johanson ~ Nancy Schmidt, health issues –
daughter-in-law of Don and Suzanne Schmidt ~ Greg Coddington, Chemo
treatments – son of Elaine Kearney ~ Melinda Pepik, cancer – daughter of
Janet Malone ~ Kenny, ongoing health issues – brother of Annette
Johanson ~ Eugene Fields, Cancer – brother of Anna Reyome ~ Velma
Thiel - Cedar Creek nursing home, Lowell ~ Beth Wagner – grand-
daughter of Geri Larson ~ Chad Aldrin, son of John & Linda Aldrin ~ Ray &
Lisa Guyse – cousins of Cheri Robbins

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!!

November 16: Gig & Karen Anderson Celebrating 57 years.

November 19: John & Gracia Dudlicek Celebrating 31 years.

November 20: Jason & Heather Kettwig Celebrating 13 years.

November 28: Fred & Margie Steinke Celebrating 66 years.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

November 7: Carleigh Linders

November 10: Kyle Buck

November 12: Jack Blount

November 14: JT Kettwig

November 19: Jackie Masters

November 23: Eugene Hochstetler

Jeff Csonka

Frank Spear

November 26: Laura Alexander

November 27: Susan Newman

November 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Daylight Savings time ends. Remember to Fall back 1 hour, Sunday, November 2.						1 11a.m. serving lunch @ Hammond Shelter
2 9:30a.m. Worship Service Giving Thanks Dinner	3	4 10a. - 3p. Bound W/ Love Quilters	5 10a Stitched in Christ	6 7p.m. Boy Scouts	7	8
9 9:30a.m. Worship Service	10 6:30p. Council Meeting	11 10a. - 3p. Bound W/ Love Quilters	12 Noon - 2p Prime Timers	13 7p.m. Boy Scouts	14	15 11a.m. serving lunch @ Hammond Shelter
16 9:30a.m. Worship Service	17	18 10a. - 3p. Bound W/ Love Quilters	19	20 7p.m. Boy Scouts	21	22
23 9:30a.m. Worship Service	24	25 10a. - 3p. Bound W/ Love Quilters	26	27 Thanks- giving Day GLC Office Closed	28 GLC Office Closed	29
30 9:30a.m. Worship Service						
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MISSION OF THE MONTH



Autism is a complex, lifelong developmental disability that affects essential human behaviors such as social interaction, the ability communicate ideas and feelings, imagination, self-regulation, and the ability to establish relationships with others.

The mission of the Autism Society of Indiana (ASI) is to ensure that every individual and family affected by Autism in the state of Indiana receives the highest quality services that they deserve. Creating connections and empowering everyone in the Autism community with the resources and support needed to live fully. The Autism Society of Indiana is proud to be one of the 107 affiliates of the Autism Society of America.

The ASI believes each person with Autism is unique and should be treated as such, every person with Autism should have the same opportunities as any other person and people with Autism should have choices and control over their lives.

For further information please call 800-609-8449
Or visit the website at www.autismsocietyofindiana.org

In Christ,
Sandra Ruban
Mission Board Chairperson

Advent Dinners

This Advent Season, we will continue to have our Advent Dinners on Wednesday evenings. These have become a wonderful ministry for the fellowship committee as many people are being reached that wouldn't be able to come in person for the dinners. They will be prepared for takeout on Advent Wednesdays, December 3, December 10 and December 17, 2025 and be ready for pickup between 5:00 - 5:30 p.m. There are only three Wednesdays in Advent this year with Christmas being on a Wednesday.

Please review our menu and place your orders with Loretta in the church office (219) 838-1626. Please remember your family and friends that could use an extra dinner when you are ordering for yourself.

Please come to the church between 5:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. to pick up your meals on the north side entrance under the canopy and we will bring your meals out to you. You will not need to get out of your vehicle. If you would like to order meals and are not able to pick them up, we have volunteers to deliver meals.

If you need to cancel your meal or if you wish to order additional meals, please call the church office by noon on Monday of each week.

If you are able, we would ask for a donation to help defray the cost of the meals. We will not be making enough extra for walk-ins, only pre-orders.

Our menu will be:

December 3 - Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, stuffing and 7 layer salad

December 10 - Grilled pork chops, cheesy potatoes, baked beans and cole slaw

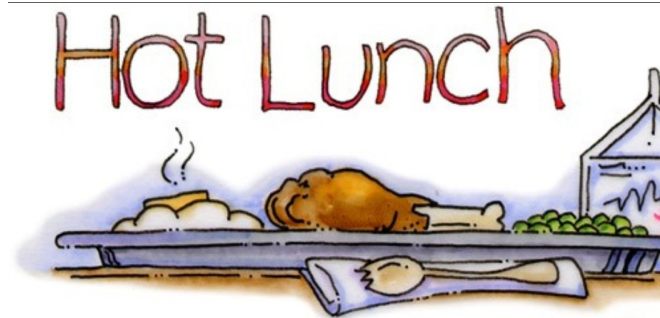
December 17 - Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable and 7 layer salad

~The Fellowship Committee

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 NEEDED TO HELP SERVE MEALS!

Serving Saturday, November 1:

Serving Saturday, November 15:

Please meet at GLC by 11a.m.

**Please call or email the church office if you are interested
in volunteering to serve meals .**

FOR IT IS IN THE
giving
THAT WE RECEIVE.
~ FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Special Invitation

PRIME TIMERS **Senior Adult Fellowship**

On Wednesday, November 12th, all available men and women of the church are invited to join together for a time of fun and fellowship with a new group called the Prime Timers. We will meet at noon and probably be finished by 2.

We will start with a light lunch followed by participating in a game. This will be a great way to spend an afternoon. Too many of us are spending way too much time in doctor's offices and not enough time socializing, especially with our church family. We would like both men and women to come and feel free to ask a friend or relative to join with us. If you need transportation, please call the church office and let Loretta know. We are planning these luncheons on the second Wednesday of each month. At the first meeting we will see what kind of activities you are interested in doing so we can plan future gatherings.

Please sign up on the sheet across from the office or call the church office so we know how many to plan for. We really hope to see many of you on November 12th.



Lector / Tech / Light Beater / Worship Assistant Schedule

November - December 2025

DATE	LECTOR	TECH	LIGHT BEARER	WORSHIP ASSIST.
November 2	Debbie Lewis	Dean Johanson	Nina Miller	Sarah Buck
November 9	Christine Wroblewski	Janet Csonka	Lauren Fullgraf	Christine Wroblewski
November 16	Garrett Wright	Mark Stutler	Pam Przybylowski	Dawn Fleming
November 23	Pam Przybylowski	Scott Muffett	Sarah Buck	Pam Przybylowski
November 30	Chris Pilipow	Nina Miller	Shirley Comer	Dean Johanson
December 7	Matt Csonka	Janet Csonka	Shirley Comer	Matt Csonka
December 14	Christine Wroblewski	Scott Muffett	Pam Przybylowski	Christine Wroblewski
December 21	Dawn Fleming	Mark Stutler	Sarah Buck	Sarah Buck
December 24 Christmas Eve	Chris Pilipow	Janet Csonka	Lauren Fullgraf	Pam Przybylowski
December 25 Christmas Day	Dean Johanson	Dennis Robbins		Dean Johanson
December 28	Sarah Buck	Nina Miller	Pam Przybylowski	Sarah Buck

Thank you for all that you do to make our worship service run smoothly.

Please contact the church office or Cheri if you are interested in volunteering to assist in the worship service.



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