

# Graceline

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## Give Thanks in All Circumstances; For This is God's Will For You in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:18 NIV



Johann Sebastian Bach is often regarded as one of the greatest composers of all time. Bach always gave thanks and credit to his Lord. The pages of his philharmonic compositions could have been only credited by him but he always shared the credit and gave thanks to God for his achievements. Bach ended every one of his free-handed compositions with the three letters INS. In Latin, this means, "In the name of Christ." In other pieces Bach began his musical score with the letters JJ, meaning "Jesus, help," and then concluded his composing with the letters SDG which means in the Latin "To God be the glory." "Solo Deo Gloria"

It seems that Bach was thankful for the music he created, but maybe, part of it was to first ask for help as he started. That is why we should be in prayer everyday. Asking & praising may be the key to joy and peace which will then lead us to be thankful in all circumstances.

I know that whatever circumstances that I have faced in my life, I always had something to be thankful for. Our hardships may not compare to others however, facing illness, failed relationships, family members dying of cancer, rejection by people who you thought were your friends, are all something that many have faced including myself. No matter the situation there is still something to be thankful for. I know that Jesus is going to help me through future circumstances and I know I can already give thanks to Jesus for the future, just as Johann Sebastian Bach had done. Thanksgiving will always be a time for us to reflect on what we can be thankful for. Most of us, I hope, will give thanks for all the good food we might enjoy but, will we go further and be thankful for the other Blessings? I am thankful for our church and our faith in Jesus Christ. We just had our Recognition Sunday and upon reading through our list of Volunteers and groups makes me appreciate the work and dedication that people have given with their time and resources. The key to a healthy church, a healthy faith, a healthy family life is to be thankful and to be thankful for all circumstances. Solo Deo Gloria!

*In Christ, Pastor David Wunderlich*



# Grace News



## Happy October

May this month be  
filled with God's  
goodness and grace

*Count Your Many Blessings—and Share Them!*



With all of the September start-up's and people returning from summer holidays, we are falling back into a routine here at Grace and now getting ready for Thanksgiving, observing the Reformation and looking forward to Advent & Christmas. Although we should be always be thankful for God's goodness and grace and all of the blessings we receive, Thanksgiving gives us the opportunity to really say thanks, give thanks and show our thanks to God and others. What better way for us to show our thanks to God than by giving back. Take some time now that we are close to Thanksgiving, to think about how to give back and then do it. God is so good to us, let us take time now to be good to Him by taking care of all of His people. If you are blessed, then show it by giving back. Thanks Be to God!

**Parables of Jesus Bible Study** Pastor David has a new Bible study on Tuesdays at 1:00PM starting on October 1<sup>st</sup>. This study will cover the Parables of Jesus and will begin with the Parable of the Sower. Everyone is welcome to attend,

**Sunday School** 10:15AM and all children between the ages of 3-12 are welcome!

**Grace Choir** Thursdays at 7:00PM. We prepare a choir anthem for the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 11:00AM. Since the anthem is right at the start of the 2<sup>nd</sup> service, even those who attend the 1<sup>st</sup> service can sing the anthem and then go home! Everyone is welcome!

**Ladies Bible Study** Wednesdays at 9:30AM. Liliasthatham is leading the study on the Sermon on the Mount this season (Matthew 5-7) All ladies are welcome!

**Monday Night Zoom "John" Bible Study** 7:00PM with Jim Statham

**New Faces Are Welcome!** There are new faces in the pews each Sunday and we are so happy that you are here and hope you make Grace your home church. If you have any questions or are interested in becoming more involved at Grace, please call Pastor David or the Church Office at 250.769.5685 and we will be happy to answer your questions.

It is so good to hear and see more people in the church during the week and on Sundays. If there is an area where you would like to help out in the church or in the worship services, please contact the pastor or the office and let us know what you would like to do. If you are still undecided about coming out for Sunday worship, please consider it; we miss seeing you!

**Sound Booth Help Received!** Our dedicated sound booth team has grown thanks to the generosity of kind members who have volunteered to help. Thank you and God Bless you!

**Full of Grace** is the singing group leading the 11:00AM worship hymns and who perform an anthem in the 11:00AM service once a month. We could use a bass singer so if you love singing and can sing the bass-line, please contact Miriam in the office at 250.769.5685.

**Men's Breakfast** Second Saturday of each month 8:30AM in the Fellowship Hall unless otherwise notified. This month will be October 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:30AM.

**Online Services** We continue to record one Sunday worship service each week, and our sound booth team makes it ready for viewing on Sunday afternoon or on Monday. If you have provided the Church Office with an email address, the video link will be sent to you on Sunday or Monday. If you do not receive it in your email box, it might have gone into Junk Mail or spam folder.

**Special Occasions** Are you celebrating a milestone birthday or anniversary and would like to share your happy day in a picture that we could include in our monthly newsletter, please send it to [info@gracelutheranelowna.com](mailto:info@gracelutheranelowna.com) with a brief description of the momentous occasion.

Blessed are you autumn,  
Season of the heart's yearning.  
You usher us into places of mystery  
And, like the leaves, we fall trustingly  
Into eternal, unseen hands



Source: The Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart



## In Loving Memory



### Karen Arend

March 2, 1944 – September 24, 2024

Karen Anne Arend was called to be with her Lord September 24, 2024. Surrounded by her family, she passed peacefully in her sleep. She will be lovingly remembered by her children Heidi (Royce) Howay and Kim (Diana) Arend. Karen will also be fondly remembered by her grandchildren Zachary (Katherine), Jager, Evan, Matthew and her sister Judy Norheim-Poncelet. Karen was predeceased by her loving husband Ernst, her parents Erling and Julia Norheim and her Brother Wesley Norheim. Karen's life was a walk of Faith and Love, serving our Lord and trusting in Him to guide her path while enjoying her family and community. A Celebration of Life service will take place at Grace Lutheran Church, 1162 Hudson Rd, West Kelowna, BC V1Z 1J3, on October 19, 2024, at 2PM.



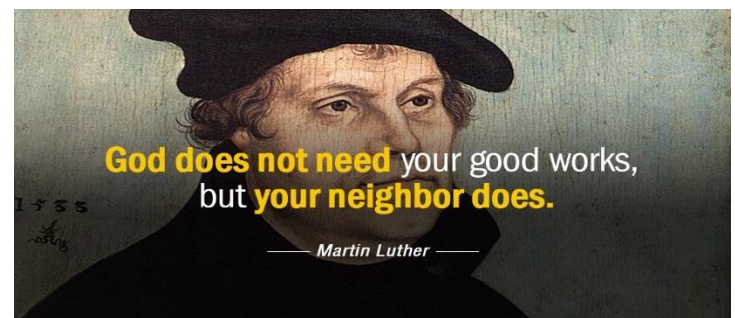
Pray for everyone in our church family who mourns including the Arend/Howay, Heise, Werner and Bateson families. Pray for those in hospital including, John Burt and Nedra Schuler. Pray for those recovering from surgery including, Len Weber. Pray for those at home, including Alma Pasker, Robert Shopland, Kris Gering, Maria Heise, Jim Szabo, Louise Shopland, Nedra Schuler, Gerald Schuler, Penny Pfahl, Emily Hughes Fran Schmidt, Joan Ulmer, Coco Heebner, Helene Hack, Lorraine Wentland and Ferne Sather. *"The LORD is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit." Psalm 34:18.*

## Healing Service

"COME TO ME, ALL  
YOU WHO ARE WEARY  
AND BURDENED, AND  
I WILL GIVE YOU  
REST."

— Matthew 11:28

**NEXT Service – October 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM**



### Martin Luther



I cannot and will  
not recant  
anything,  
for to go against  
conscience  
is neither right  
nor safe.  
Here I stand,  
I can do no other,  
so help me God.  
Amen.



**YOUTH EVENT – Oct 26<sup>th</sup>**

**6-8PM**

**Pizza, Bible Study & Craft**

# Congregational Life

## Christian Education

**Sunday** - Sunday School at 10:15AM.

**Monday** - Bible Study at 7:00PM via ZOOM.

**Tuesday** - Bible Study at 1:00PM at Grace.

**Wednesdays** - Ladies Bible Study at 9:30AM.

**Thursdays** - Choir practice at 7:00PM. Choir will sing an anthem at the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday service at 11:00AM.

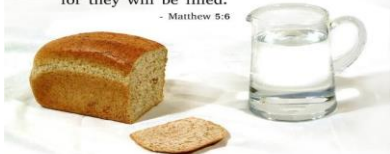
SO VERY  
*grateful*  
INCREDIBLY  
*thankful*  
UNBELIEVABLY  
*blessed*

## Serving Others

**Volunteer at the  
Kelowna Gospel Mission  
251 Leon Ave, Kelowna, BC**

On the 4th Tuesday of every month a team from Grace Lutheran goes to the Kelowna Gospel Mission. They help in the kitchen with lunch preparation and serving. If you would like to serve in this way, please contact Corinn Lutz at 250.869.8092 or by email: [timcorlutz@gmail.com](mailto:timcorlutz@gmail.com)

Blessed are those who  
hunger and thirst for  
righteousness,  
for they will be filled.  
- Matthew 5:6



## Men's Breakfast

**Saturday October 5<sup>th</sup>  
8:30AM**

All Grace men are invited to attend for faith fellowship, good food and good conversation. Bring a friend!



## Healing Service

**3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in October**

**7:00PM**

**Next – October 15<sup>th</sup>**



## GRACE COFFEE SOCIAL

People of Grace are encouraged and welcome to join us in the Fellowship Hall on Sundays between 10:10-10:50AM for coffee, a snack and fellowship with other Grace members. This is a great opportunity to reach out and meet with one another. We chose this time slot in order for people from both services to attend. If you would like to help out with the coffee, minimal setup and cleanup is involved, so please contact Erika Burt for more information at 250.768.5912.

## Council Meeting

**October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00PM**

## October Blessing

### Prayer For The Month Of October

Heavenly and Blessed Father, we welcome the new month of October with great expectation and hope.

Lord, it's difficult to find the words to express my gratitude for all the ways You have blessed my life.

As I prepare for this new month, I know that I cannot do it without You. But Your love and strength empower me.

Thank You for Your unconditional love. I embrace Your love and peace.

I will keep my eyes focused on You. In Jesus name I pray,  
Amen!

## Enjoy Blessings of October





# Jesus Loves ME!

## The Bible tells me so!

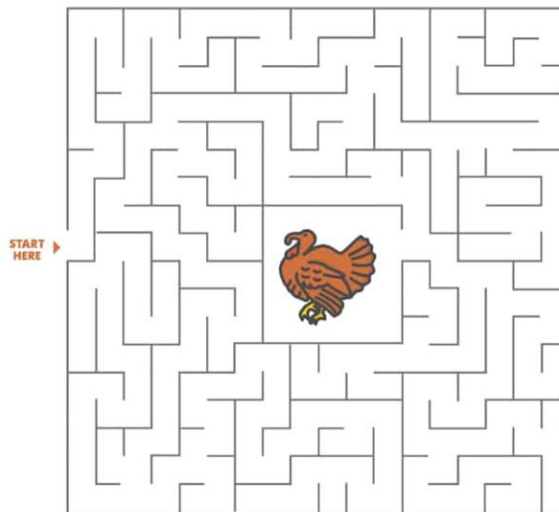
Remember to come to Sunday School at  
10:15AM! See You There!




## THANKSGIVING MAZE

Find your way through the maze to reach the turkey in the center.

*Happy Thanksgiving!*



# OCTOBER 2024 – Grace Lutheran Church

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 1:00PM Parables Bible Study 2:00PM Lakeview Lodge PD	2 9:30AM Ladies Bible Study 2:00PM Brookhaven Chapel PD	3 7:00PM Choir Practice	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
<b>PENTECOST 20</b> 9AM Contemporary w/Holy Communion 10:10AM Coffee Social Fellowship Hall 10:15 Sunday School 11AM Traditional w/Holy Communion	7:00PM Zoom Bible Study with Jim Statham	1:00PM Parables Bible Study	9:30AM Ladies Bible Study	7:00PM Choir Practice		8:30AM Men's Breakfast
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
<b>PENTECOST 21</b> 9AM Contemporary 10:10AM Coffee Social Fellowship Hall 11AM Traditional Happy Thanksgiving! 	-OFFICE CLOSED-	1:00PM Parables Bible Study 7:00PM HEALING Service	9:30AM Ladies Bible Study 2:00PM Brookhaven Chapel FOG	7:00PM Choir Practice		2:00PM COL (Karen Arend)
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
<b>PENTECOST 22</b> 9AM Contemporary 10:10AM Coffee Social Fellowship Hall 10:15AM Sunday School 11AM Traditional	7:00PM Zoom Bible Study with Jim Statham	1:00PM Parables Bible Study 7:00 PM Council	9:30AM Ladies Bible Study	7:00PM Choir Practice		1:00PM Finnish Service 6-8:00PM YOUTH Pizza
27	28	29	30	31		
<b>Reformation Sunday</b> 9AM Contemporary 10:10AM Coffee Social Fellowship Hall 10:15AM Sunday School 11AM Traditional	7:00PM Zoom Bible Study with Jim Statham	1:00PM Parables Bible Study 2:00PM Village at Smith Creek Chapel FOG	9:30AM Ladies Bible Study	7:00PM Choir Practice		

