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*Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 27, 2020.*



**GRACE NOTES**

**SERVING TODAY** -

Preacher: Dr. Glenn Nielsen

Liturgist: Pastor Nate Ruback

Organist: Mrs. Lisa Fackler

10:45 a.m. – Praise Team

**Continuing in PHASE FOUR (August 29/30 and following)**

~ “In-person” worship services resume at 4pm Saturday evening, 8am Sunday morning, and 10:45am Sunday morning. 4pm Saturday evening and 8am Sunday morning will continue as the traditional/liturgical worship service and 10:45am will continue as the “Living Praise” service. We will continue to stream Sunday morning worship at 8am and 10:45am.

~ We will resume gathering “in-person” Sunday mornings from 9:30am-10:30am for Sunday morning bible study and Sunday School. We continue to work on the logistics of offering bible study online at the same time.

~ Out of love and concern for everyone, we are asking that you wear a mask. Please also use the hand sanitizer located inside the main doors upon entering and exiting the building.

~ Please sit one family per pew. Pews have been roped off to allow proper social distancing.

~ Hymnals and pew bibles have been removed in order to aid in sanitation of the worship space. Service bulletins will be available on a stand near the entrance of the sanctuary. At the end of the service, please take the bulletins home with you. Please do not dispose of them in the church building.

~ Please refrain from greeting one another via personal contact, i.e. hugs and handshakes.

~ Holy Communion will also continue to be offered during the worship service on the first, third, and fifth weekends. When attending worship, please follow Pastor Nate’s instructions regarding how we will celebrate the Lord’s Supper together. Precautions are being put in place in order to protect the health and wellbeing of those worshipping.

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented by Grace Lutheran Chapel congregation in recognition and thank you to Rev. Dr. Glenn Nielsen for all of his support and faithful dedication to this ministry over the past 21 years.

**SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS** meets in the Sanctuary at 9:30 AM and will be led today by Dr. Glenn Nielsen.

**WEEKDAY BIBLE CLASS** continues each **Thursday morning**. The class continues its study of **PROVERBS: GOD’S GIFT OF WISDOM –** The wisdom of the Lord underlies and supports the universe. Wisdom is more precious than any worldly wealth, and God wants to give it to all. Through faith strengthened by the Holy Spirit working through His Word God provides wisdom. Class is led by Pastor Nate Ruback Thursday mornings from 10:00am – 11:00am. Options for attending are in person in the Fellowship Hall or on ZOOM - Meeting ID: 913 8547 7557; Password: 195594.

**A VOTERS’ MEETING** will be held on **Sunday, October 4,** following the 10:45 AM worship service. We will vote to approve the 2020/2021 budget and the Officers and Board Members for this year.

**THE NEW QUARTERLY ISSUE OF THE “PORTALS OF PRAYER”** (October - December) is now available. Copies are available to all members of the congregation. We do ask that you make a donation towards the cost of these magazines. Envelopes for your donation are available on the small oak shelf with the Portals of Prayer. Your donation of $15.00 for the large print or $6.00 for the small size will cover the annual cost of these booklets. A donation of any amount would be appreciated.

**A DOOR OFFERING** will be collected after each service the weekend of **October 3/4**. This offering will be used to send our college students, whether they are attending in-person classes or “virtually” from home, a “care package” for the beginning of the school year. We appreciate the congregation’s participation and support in this effort to keep in touch with our students.

**GRACE CHAPEL SCHOOL AUCTION** will be held online from **Monday, October 12 – Sunday, October 18**. There are a lot of beautiful items, participation parties, fun baskets and some great figt ideas available. The auction website will go public Saturday, October 11 and bidding will open on the 12th. The auction link is [www.charityauctionstoday.com/auctions/ fabulous-fall-auction-14544](http://www.charityauctionstoday.com/auctions/%20fabulous-fall-auction-14544) or the link is also available through the website and school Facebook page. Here’s your chance to help Grace Chapel School and bid on some great items for yourself at the same time!

**EGG CARTONS NEEDED** – The Helping Hands Food Pantry and Bob Bost are collecting empty egg cartons. If you care to donate your empty cartons there is a collection container in the narthex.

**A close up of a blackboard

Description automatically generated MISSOURI DISTRICT NEWS**: When the pandemic first began, Lutheran schools throughout Missouri quickly adapted to continue to meet the needs of students, families, and staff. We’re all so appreciative of these administrators, teachers, and support staff members who continue shining the light of Christ in uncertain times. Please join the District in prayer this fall for our 50 early childhood centers, 50 elementary schools, and 9 high schools. Your work is making an eternal difference!

**CHRISTIAN FRIENDS OF NEW AMERICANS GOLF BENEFIT**, **Monday, October 12**, 2020, at Greenbriar Hills Country Club. To register for golf or for a sponsorship go to [www.cfna-stl.org/golf](http://www.cfna-stl.org/golf).



Calendar for Week of September 27, 2020

**Sunday, September 27**

8:00 AM – Worship *(Live streamed – info on website)*

9:30 AM – in person Sunday School(Large Gym)/Bible Class, also on ZOOM(Sanctuary)/

And Young Adults and Youth(Fellowship Hall)

10:45 AM –“Living Praise” Worship *(Live streamed –info on website)*

*12:00 Noon – Meet and Greet for Dr. Nielsen – outside church’s main entrance*



**Monday, September 28**

**Tuesday, September 29**

**Wednesday, September 30**

**Thursday, October 1**

10:00 AM – Bible Class (Proverbs) in Fellowship Hall/ZOOM

**Friday, October 2**

**Saturday, October 3**

4:00 PM – Worship with Holy Communion

**Sunday, October 4**

8:00 AM – Worship with Holy Communion *(Live streamed – info on website)*

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And Young Adults and Youth(Fellowship Hall)

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12:00 Noon – **VOTERS’ MEETING**

**SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** continues in person in the Sanctuary and also on the ZOOM format. Topic is **ONE NATION UNDER GOD: HEALING RACIAL DIVIDES IN AMERICA** – led by Pastor Nate Ruback. Amid divisive rhetoric, violence, riots, and racial tensions, confusion arises—how can Christians tear down the racial walls dividing our country? In this study, we’ll openly communicate and begin the healing process. Healing takes time and effort and can only be accomplished as God changes our sinful human hearts. Join Zoom Meeting ID: 913 8547 7557; Password: 195594.

**GIVING OPTIONS –** Check out the Grace Chapel website, gracechapelstl.org, for electronic giving options. You can now give via PayPal (for one time donations) or the Simply Giving program through Vanco Services. To set up recurring, electronic donations through Simply Giving, contact the church office at 314-868-3232 or email [churchoffice@gracechapelstl.org](mailto:churchoffice@gracechapelstl.org) or [svsandee@hotmail.com](mailto:svsandee@hotmail.com). These donations can be debited directly from either a checking or savings account.

**BOEING MATCHING GIFTS PROGRAM** – Boeing Employees and Retirees, Boeing will contribute 50% of any donations made to Grace Chapel School. Disbursements are made quarterly. Information can be found at boeing.yourcause.com. If you have questions, please contact Sandy Kratzer or John Koly.