

# Lamplighter

"Believe. Belong. Be Sent"

June 2026

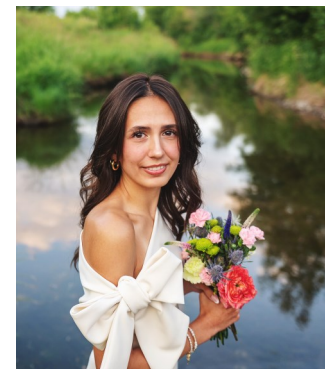


*Congratulations to our  
2026  
Scholarship Winners*



**Kiah  
Coffman**

Lay Ministry  
Scholarship



**Layla  
Klug**

Lay Ministry  
Scholarship



**Mia  
Kasprick**

Margaret Egeland  
Scholarship

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

**Mark your calendar for July 15!**  
Enjoy lunch at Frostfire Lodge and then take in the inspiring musical *Come From Away* at 2:00 p.m. at the Walla Theater.  
**Cost is \$50**  
**You must register by June 16.**  
Call the Church office at 352-2638 to register.  
Please make sure you have paid for your ticket before July 15.

**Circle**

**Gather & Ruth  
Circles will meet  
Mon. June 22<sup>nd</sup>  
9:00am at  
Mary's  
(822 Kittson)**

# June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 9:00am Quilters Meet	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Synod Assembly
<b>7</b> Synod Assembly 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship 11:00am Congregational Care Meets	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 9:00am Quilters Meet	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 9:00am Quilters Meet <b>LAMPLIGHTER DEADLINE</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship	<b>22</b> 9:00am Gather & Ruth Circles will meet at Mary's	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 9:00am Quilters Meet	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 11:00am SummerFest Grill-out
<b>28</b> 10:00 am Worship—Onstad Baptism 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship held in the Fellowship Room 11:00am Onstad Baptism family reception downstairs	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	SummerFest			

Grafton Lutheran Church  
Council Meeting Tuesday May 19, 2026

The meeting was called to order by Preston Theile at 6:33pm.

**Members Present:**

Preston Theile, Tiffany Sillers, Megan Wynne, Ryer Stark, Janice Kern, Nick Ziegelman, Corrine Ralston and Pastor Carter Hill

Absent Tom Torkelson

Pastor Carter Hill opened the council meeting with prayer.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the April meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve with the addition of offering and expenses was made by Tiffany and seconded by Nick. The motion carried.

**Pastor's Report**

Pastor Carter Hill reported on new copy machine in the office.

In reflecting on the past school year at GLC, it's noted that ministries, bible studies were well attended. Lent attendance increased and confirmation attendance continued to be strong. The nursing home ministry continues to be strong and is overseen by Elaine. GLC has 8 members living in the Sunset Home at this time. (22 when Pastor Carter arrived here).

Senior recognition was well attended with cake served following the service. Three GLC Scholarships of \$1,000 were given to Kiah, Mia, Layla. Pastor Brooke reported a good group of youth attended Northern Air. Three weddings are scheduled for the coming year. Overall ministry participation remains steady, with a desire for growth.

Approximately 200 Meals were prepared for the Food Pantry. Follow-up will be done with the pantry to learn how the meals were received and utilized.

**Nick Ziegelman presented the Treasurer's Report**

April Offering - \$ 26,164.50 YTD Offering - \$ 94,748.24 April Expenses - \$ 23,581.15 YTD Expenses - \$116,657.49  
YTD Total Income - \$ 114,571.55

A motion to approve Treasurer's Report was made by Megan, seconded by Corrine . The motion carried and the report was approved.

**Unfinished Business**

- A. Employee Handbook Revision - Exec Committee has begun discussions and will meet again to continue revisions.

**Old Business**

- A. Congregational Meeting A congregational meeting and vote was held last month to approve replacing narthex doors and kitchen alley door.
- B. Communion Ware has arrived. Carpenter has been contacted for sacristy.

**New Business**

- A. Committee Reports
  - B. **Properties** - Ryer Stark reported on several ongoing and upcoming property projects. Parking Lot striping was discussed; while \$3,190 had been approved last fall, a new bid of \$1,200 has been received. Carpet Cleaning is scheduled for June 2nd or 3rd will some areas to be cleaned annually and others placed on a rotating schedule. An accident that occurred on the sidewalk last summer has resulted in an Auto-Owners insurance claim and a request to improve that sidewalk area. The area has previously been mudjacked. A quote has been received for creating a zero0entry access from the alley, including approximately 20 feet of concrete replacement. The Loretta Moe family has donated \$5,000 to be used for replacing the kitchen alley door. GLC greatly appreciates this gift. Roof concerns previously discussed were reviewed. Hoople Foam met with Ryer and committee member Jay to

inspect the roof and identify leak locations, including a significant leak above the organ. Rocks were moved to locate damaged areas and a temporary repair was completed. Hoople Foam provided an estimate of \$40,000-\$50,000 for roof repair of the sanctuary and narthex (final cost dependent on the extent of damaged foam discovered during repairs). A different option for a \$7,000 repair to address the large area above the organ this summer was presented, with plans to complete the remaining roof repairs in the future.

(A.1) Following Properties report and discussion, Nick Z made a motion to approve Concrete sidewalk repair to address insurance recommendations and improve accessibility. Second by Megan W. Motion carried.

(A.2) Following Properties report and discussion, Ryer S made a motion to approve a \$7,000 roof repair for the area above the organ due to a significant leak. This repair will serve as part of a larger roof project to be completed in the future which will be brought before the congregation at the next annual meeting. Seconded by Tiffany S. Motion carried. The Nygard Fund will be used for this cost.

- B. **Lay Ministry** - (Tiffany Sillers) The committee met yesterday. New coffee pots have been purchased. The committee continues to experience difficulty filling Sunday volunteer positions and discussed the possibility of updating Faith and Care group lists and updating the Extra Help list. The Fall Dinner Date will be the first or third Sunday of October. October 4th is the date suggested for the Fall Dinner upon approval from the event planners. Tammy Burns has agreed to chair the Fall Dinner event.
- C. **Worship and Music** - (Corrine Ralston) Staying on budget. Summer musicians are being scheduled.
- D. **Stewardship** - No report. The Stewardship position remains unfilled. Members of the congregation are encouraged to consider serving in this important role.
- E. **Fellowship** - (Janice Kern) Hosted an evening at Grafton Floral where people could plant a pot of flowers to take home. 9 people attended. Plans are being made for a group to attend FrostFire Summer Theater Production of Come From Away. July 15th.
- F. **Christian Ed** - (Megan Wynne) Sunday School team will meet soon to discuss curriculum that was used this year and to clean rooms.

**Attending Synod Assembly** - Marjorie J, Mary D and Braylon B are planning to attend June 5-7.

### **Additional Information**

Lamplighter Deadline is the last week of the month. Please send any info to Susie N to be included in the church monthly newsletter.

#### Communion Leaders Schedule

June 7th - no communion

June 14th – Corrine

June 21st - Tiffany

June 28th - Megan

### **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Nick and seconded by Janice . The motion carried, and meeting was adjourned at 7:53pm.

Next council meeting: June 16th @6:30

Minutes submitted by Janice Kern

# Memorial Gifts

## Baptism Boxes Fund:

- ◆ In memory of Marilyn Bauman  
by Glora Halliday

## Undesignated Fund:

- ◆ In memory of Marilyn Baumann by:
  - ◇ Marilyn Anderson
  - ◇ Kristen & Bucky Peterson

## Cemetery Fund:

- ◆ In memory of Marilyn Baumann by:
  - ◇ Joyce Johnson
  - ◇ Sheila Bjerneby

## Choir Music Fund:

- ◆ In memory of Marilyn Baumann  
by Eileen Peterson, Pam, David & Kelley

## Deacon's Fund:

- ◆ In memory of Marilyn Baumann  
by Mike & Jan Erlandson
- ◆ In memory of Duane Johnson  
by Mike & Jan Erlandson
- ◆ In memory of Tim Olson  
by Glora Halliday

## Capital Improvements Fund:

- ◆ In memory of Loretta Moe  
by Family
- ◆ In memory of James McFarland Jr  
by Kristan & Darrin Demers
- ◆ In memory of Duane Johnson  
by Glora Halliday

*Thank you!*

## **Times of Worship & Fellowship**

### Sundays:

10:00am Worship  
11:00am Coffee & Fellowship

### Wednesdays:

9:00am Quilters Meet

## Contact Us:

### Office Hours:

**Monday - Friday**

9:00am - 12:00pm; 1:00pm - 4:00pm

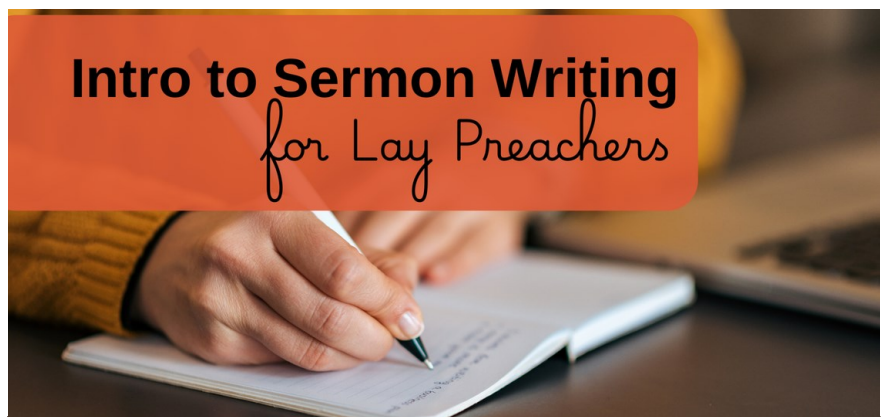
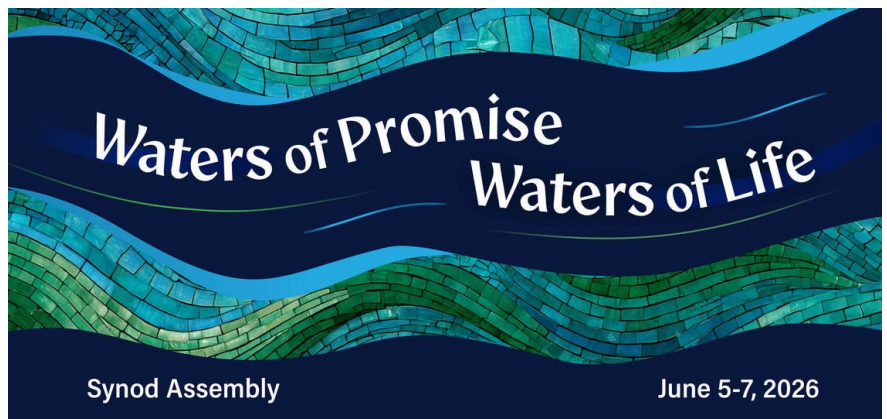
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**Monday, June 29th**

**6:00pm**

**ZOOM**

Wondering how to even begin writing a sermon?  
Have you started preaching but looking for  
more equipping?  
Join us for an introduction to the sermon preparation  
process to support your ministry.

Looking ahead: A full day preaching session  
will be offered in the fall!

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82873120117>



Congratulations,  
*Class of 2026!*

**THIS YEAR'S GRADUATES ARE:**

**Anton Albrecht**  
son of Lisa & Fabian Albrecht

**Kiah Coffman**  
daughter of Dawnielle Coffman & Charlie Matcha

**Gavin Hill-Fyelling**  
son of Kelsey Hill & Matt Fyelling

**Mia Kasprick**  
daughter of Sharon & Shawn Kasprick

**Layla Klug**  
daughter of Carissa & Evan Klug

**Brody Lillemoen**  
son of Stephanie & Riley Lillemoen

**Gabrielle Ray**  
daughter of Rachel & Phil Ray

**Grace Ray**  
daughter of Rachel & Phil Ray

**Annika Sangrait**  
daughter of Kandi & Troy Sangrait

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and click "Give Online"



June's  
Mission of the Month  
will be collected for the  
**Salvation Army**



**DOING  
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GOOD®**

*Thrivent Action Teams*

Pick a project and start a team today!

Approved projects receive seed money toward a fundraising event, building supplies, and other start up costs. Contact Luke Holt for more info 701-360-7080




This year we are asking that you let Susie in the office know if you want more offering envelopes by calling 352-2638 or stop by and she will make them up while you wait.

Your Name  
# 000

Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

# JULY'S FAITH & CARE GROUP #1

Brent & Stephanie Baldwin  
 Sheila Bjorneby  
 Dr. Jerry & Karen Blanchard  
 Lisa Blanchard  
 Harlan & Pat Brekke  
 Terry & Lori Burns  
 Dawn Coffman  
 Rick & Mary English  
 Madison Erovick & Jordyn  
 Lopez  
 Trevor & Amy Grindahl  
 Jamie & Melanie Haagensohn  
 Theresa Hickman  
 Peter & Donna Holand  
 Sharon & Shawn Kasprick  
 Amy Lemieux

Paul & Linda Lemieux  
 Briana & Thomas Martens  
 Allen & Myrna Martinson  
 Greg Martinson  
 Jamie Martinson  
 Jeff & Deb McKay  
 Shane & Carmen Mohn  
 Ashley Lopez & Jon Otterson  
 Gary & Barb Schultz  
 Marjorie Seeba  
 Art & June Selseth  
 Denise Sevigny  
 Nathan & Tiffany Sillers  
 Chad & Kelsey Wardner  
 Paige & Darrin Wollitz  
 Ryan & Megan Wynne

# FAITH & CARE CIRCLE #1

**JULY'S MINISTRY AREAS NEEDED:**  
**Greeters, Bell Ringer, Ushers, Lectors,**  
**Communion Servers & Runners,**  
**Coffee Servers.**

**Your Faith & Care group  
 will no longer have a fixed time  
 to meet & for people to sign up.**

**You can either call the church office  
 at 352-2638 or Sign-up online.**

Just go to:  
<https://tinyurl.com/JulyGroup1>

**Or scan the QR code:**

There you can fill in the jobs  
 you would like to help with.  
 If you have any questions please  
 call Susie in the church office.



Thank you  
 to all the members of  
 May's Faith & Care Group #4 and to  
 Janet Berger  
 for being the chairperson.  
 Your time and service to  
 GLC is greatly appreciated!

## 2026 COUNCIL

Preston Thiele.....President  
 Tom Torkelson.....Vice President  
 Stephanie Baldwin.....Secretary  
 Nick Ziegelmann.....Treasurer  
 Ryer Stark.....Properties  
 Corrine Ralston.....Music Worship  
 Megan Wynne.....Christian Ed  
 Tiffany Sillers.....Lay Ministry  
**OPEN**.....Stewardship  
 Janice Kern.....Parish Fellowship  
 Pr. Carter Hill.....Pastor

## June's Acolyte Schedule

June 7		
June 14		
June 21		
June 28		



## Volunteers needed

### In need of prayers or a visit?

If you or a family member are hospitalized,  
**please call the church office (352-2638)**  
**or Pr. Carter (701-425-7041)**

When contacting the church,  
 you can request a visit,  
 public prayers, prayers from the prayer chain,  
 or relay information and ask for prayers  
 exclusively from the pastor.

*(The specific problem does not need to be  
 shared. Prayers can be requested for healing,  
 strength, comfort, etc.)*

**Grafton Lutheran Church**

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P.O. Box 622

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We have a new Donation/Memorial Gift category.  
 If you would like to donate to the cost of making the  
 Baptism Boxes, given to the babies baptized at GLC.  
 Just put Baptism Boxes on the memo line of your check.

Thank You

**DONATIONS/MEMORIAL FUNDS**

- Baptism Boxes
- Capital Improvements
- Bible Camp Camperships
- Choir/Music
- Deacon's
- Broadcast
- Bell Choir
- Youth
- Quilters
- Cemetery
- Sunday School
- Music for Worship

**MISSION SUPPORT MEMORIALS**

- ELCA World Hunger
- PRBC Support
- Synod Support
- Concordia Support
- Christus Rex Support
- Grafton Ministerial Support
- Grafton Conference Support
- Lutheran Sunset Home Support