

Worship Order

April 21, 2024
Fourth Sunday of Easter

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC 8:00 Organ Prelude
10:15 "Give Me Your Eyes"



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN 8:00 "Come You Faithful, Raise the Strain" LSB 487
SONG 10:15 "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

CALL TO WORSHIP

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

GOD'S WORD: Isaiah 58:5-10, 1 John 3:16-24, Matthew 25:31-46

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES & GIFTS

HYMN 8:00 "Spread the Reign of God the Lord" LSB 830
SONG 10:15 "Give Me Your Eyes"

THE MESSAGE "Following God's Path and Plan: Out... for the World"
Pastor Jack Mackowiak

CONFESSION OF FAITH (see screen)

PRAYER SHAWL DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH
THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE LORD'S SUPPER

WORDS OF CHRIST

DISTRIBUTION 8:00 Reflective Instrumental Music
10:15 "How He Loves"

DISMISSAL

SENDING AND BENEDICTION

HYMN 8:00 "Hark the Voice of Jesus Crying" LSB 826
SONG 10:15 "I Will Follow"



Thanks for signing the pew pad to let us know you're here!
Visitors, add your contact info so we can connect with you.
Please leave your name badges in the basket by the door.



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HOURS Tue - Fri: 8:30-3:30 pm

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Amazing Grace Lutheran Church
April 21, 2024 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

Pastor Jack Mackowiak



Welcome to Amazing Grace!

Thank you for choosing to take the time to join us and worship God together in person. The benefits of worshipping together are immense because we are made by God for community. We hope you feel welcome and at home here today!



MISSION as a congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod
is to "Experience Christ's Love. Live It. Share It."



This Week's Church Calendar

SUN 4/14	Traditional Worship	Worship Center	8:00am
	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall	9:00am
	Pastor Jack Bible Study	Room 101/102	9:15am
	Jere Greene Bible Study	Room 201	9:15am
	Contemporary Worship	Worship Center	10:15am
TUE 4/16	Bible Study Fellowship	Worship Center	11:30am
WED 4/17	Men's Bible Study	Bradenton Rec	8:45am
	New Members Class	Fellowship Hall	4:00pm
THU 4/18	Men's Bible Study	Fellowship Hall	7:30am
SAT 4/27	"Story" Workshop	Fellowship Hall	11:00am



Save the Date!
Congregational Meeting May 19
between services for Board of Director
elections. More to come on this...

NEWSLETTER

CHURCH BOARDS, MINISTRY, and BIBLE STUDY LEADERS

**We will be working on a 2nd Qtr.
Newsletter this week, to be published for
Sunday May 4.**

- Submit articles and pictures for past & coming events by THIS Friday, April 26.
- Talk about how the work you do and the events you hold serve our the church, the Kingdom of God, & our community.
- Articles and photos should be sent to office@amazinggracelc.org.
- Photos can also be texted to Susan Gordon at 813-727-0684.

Thanks in advance for your contributions!



GriefShare: New 13-Week Series **Thursdays, 1-3 pm** **Beginning May 2 at Amazing Grace**

Have you lost someone special?
 Are you having a difficult time dealing
 with emotions and stress and wondering
 "Where do I go from here?"

Join us as we start our next **Journey from
 Mourning to Joy** sessions.

These classes are open to both men
 and women and meet in a confidential
 environment upstairs in room 201.

**Sign up at the Connect Center,
 call the church office, 352-748-1201,
 or email Peg Ludwig,
 ludwigpeg@gmail.com**



"Building Intentional Relationships" **Witness Workshop**

THIS Saturday, April 27
11:00 am-2 pm.

This encouraging and relevant workshop
 was very well received in February, so we
 are offering another session!

A light lunch will be served.
Please sign up for the workshop by
Wednesday, April 24
at the Connect Center.

NEW SUMMER BIBLE STUDY! **Wednesdays, 1-2:30 pm, beginning** **May 8 for 8 weeks**

"Navigating Change" *(and keeping your sanity!)*

Change is inevitable - we experience big and small ones every day, and occasionally earth-shattering changes come into our lives.

Sometimes we grow impatient waiting for change.

Some folks love a fast pace and lots of change.

Others are unnerved by change and want things to stay the same.

Wherever you are regarding change, it IS inevitable, but how we react to it and process it is up to us. How do we process change in the light of knowing God's character and in the light of Scripture?

Join with us this summer as we explore the challenging idea of change! If you need to miss a week for travel, it's okay.

All are welcome! Sign up at the Connect Center today and bring a friend!



Wildwood Elementary School **Accelerated Reader** **Awards & Pizza Party** **Thursday, May 16, Noon-4pm** **at Wildwood Elementary**

Volunteers will help prepare for this event, set up at the school, and distribute books and pizza to the top 10 readers in each grade level.

You will also interact with the children individually and show them God's love. Meet at church and carpool to the school.

Sign up TODAY at the CONNECT CENTER or contact Lois Schaefer, 352-250-6541.

LSF Baskets of Love

DELIVERING HOPE TO STRUGGLING FAMILIES

ENDS MAY 31ST

LSF - Lake and Sumter County



DONATE ITEMS

Help build a Basket of Love (containing Diapers, Baby products, Pack N Play, Car Seat, etc.) and deliver hope to any drop-off location or visit the web page for the online Wishlist for preselected items.

DONATE FUNDS

Show your support by donating online. Funds will be used to purchase items that are most in need by the supported programs.



Benefits struggling mothers, foster parents and at-risk children

This Spring, help build stronger families, keep children safe in their homes, and support those who enter foster care. Building a Basket of Love is more than filling a laundry bin with needed items, it fills hearts with hope. Join with us to make a difference for those who are in need of God's healing, hope and help!



DROP-OFF LOCATIONS 8AM - 5PM

LSF Lake and Sumter County Case Management Organization
901 Industrial Dr Wildwood, FL 34785

Questions or interested in partnering?

Contact: Tina Villaneuva
Tina.Villaneuva@lsfnet.org or 813-690-5642

DONATE TODAY! <https://www.lsfnet.org/lsf-baskets-of-love-donation-drive-lakesumter-cmo/>

PRAYER SHAWL DEDICATION TODAY!

April 21, 2024



The Prayer Shawl Ministry reaches out to those in need of comfort and prayer.

This ministry began in February 2016. Today, shawls are being presented at the altar for a blessing by the Pastor.

The shawls will then be in the Fellowship Area near the CONNECT CENTER, available to give away. **Anyone may take a shawl to give to someone in need.** Just sign the register that you have taken a shawl, and to whom it will be given.

Consider giving a Prayer Shawl to someone recovering from illness, injury, surgery, or a medical treatment; someone who is grieving or mourning; someone who is rejoicing over a marriage, pregnancy or birth; anyone recovering from addictions or difficult circumstances; someone moving to assisted living or special care; or, anyone in need of prayer. May the warmth of Jesus' loving arms enfold them!

Prayer Shawls are knitted or crocheted with love and prayer in each stitch. Patterns of three stitches represent the Father, Son & Holy Spirit, in whose name we pray. A cross charm is worked into a corner of each shawl, along with a label saying, "Hand Made with Prayers to Comfort You - Amazing Grace Lutheran Church"

Thank you to all of the women who have already knitted or crocheted prayer shawls! If you would like to learn how to knit or crochet prayer shawls, we will teach you! **Please contact Lois Clymer at 215-718-3570 or ToLois@aol.com.**

May the favor of the Lord our God rest upon us; establish the work of our hands - yes, establish the work of our hands!
Psalm 90:17