



Order of Worship: October 19th, 2025

Prelude/Postlude (Jacki Kline)

Welcome/Announcements

Candle Lighting

Call to Worship

Song: *"God of Grace and God of Glory"*
"All Things Bright and Beautiful"

Scripture:
Romans 14:8-19
Psalm 26
1 Corinthians 4:1-9

Prayer of gratitude for our Laity

Unison Prayer-Wesley Covenant Prayer

Special music: *"What Gift Can We Bring"*

Message: Giving Yourself

Offering/Doxology/Offertory Prayer

Song: *"Give Thanks"*

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Song: *"The Servant Song"*

Blessing

This Week at Grace

Monday:
Genealogy 11am

Tuesday:
Bible Study 9am
Bell practice 1030am

Wednesday:
Bible Study 4pm
Confirmation: 6pm

Saturday:
Trick or Treat at Grace!
10-noon

If you are planning to meet at Grace UMC, you need to call ahead or email the office to reserve space and to get your meeting on the church calendar. To adjust for heating/cooling needs, Pastor Jen needs to know if/when you are meeting.

Office Phone:
218-568-5755

Grace Office Hours
Tuesday
9 a.m. to noon
Wednesday
10-noon

Worship
Online--available at
www.graceumcpequotlakes.org

In-Person Worship
Sunday--9am

**Therefore let us pursue
the things which make for peace
and the things by which
one may edify another.**

Romans 14:19

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Unison Prayer

Wesley Covenant Prayer

"I am no longer my own, but thine.

Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with
whom thou wilt.

Put me to doing, put me to suffering.

Let me be employed by thee or laid aside
for thee,

exalted for thee or brought low for thee.

Let me be full, let me be empty.

Let me have all things, let me have
nothing.

I freely and heartily yield all things
to thy pleasure and disposal.

And now, O glorious and blessed God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
thou art mine, and I am thine.

So be it.

And the covenant which I have made on
earth, let it be ratified in heaven. Amen."

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, people of God, let us
celebrate the gifts we have been given.

**People: We rejoice in the abundance of
God's blessings!**

Leader: God calls us to be stewards of
grace, love, and generosity.

**People: We dedicate ourselves to sharing
God's blessings with the world.**

Leader: Let us worship with open hearts
and willing hands.

**People: We come to serve, to give, and
to glorify God!**



Scriptures for next week:

1 Thessalonians 4:1-2,9-12

Psalm 145:1-13

Matthew 25:14-30



My foot stands on a
level place; In the
congregations I shall
bless the Lord.
Psalms 26:12 (NASB)

October Mission Giving

Our mission focus for October is the Brennecke family and their mission efforts. If you are giving by check, please note Brennecke in the memo or use a designated envelope available on Sunday morning.



A word from the Brenneckes:

Dear Friends:

Thank you for your support and for your prayers. Kim and I greatly appreciate you!

Exciting times! In the last few months, we have watched as the Lord has provided for significant needs through a network of donors who love God and give to make Him known. Examples include several building projects in Brazil and a "Creative Access Nation" where missionaries have let us know of their financial needs, and we have been able to share those needs with others. Before long the Lord has burdened one or more of them to meet those needs! It is a thrill to share news of the Lord's provision with the missionaries. Then, once building has commenced, we become a pipeline of construction updates, photo updates & videos of the sites under construction. I share those images with the donors to "complete the circle" and to keep them up to date. As you can imagine, when a donor sees the project coming along toward completion, it is very inspiring! This builds that sense of joy in the heart of a giver that is so important.

Journal--Click [here](#) to read the complete Fall update from Kim and Steve. Copies are available in the Narthex as well.

"My conscience is clear, but that does not make me innocent. It is the Lord who judges me."

1 Corinthians 4:4



 **Community Action of Pequot Lakes, Inc**

Our Annual Pequot Lakes Halloween Event is Saturday October 25th! We hope to see you all there!

PEQUOT LAKES BUSINESSES

TRICK OR TREAT

Saturday, October 25th, 2025
10AM - NOON

Participating Businesses will have the candy corn sign up.

TRUNK OR TREAT
INSIDE AT GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

IN TRAILSIDE PARK:
The Miss Pequot Lakes Royalty is hosting the bonfire and serving smores and refreshments
Just for Kix Dancers will dance at 10AM
PTA, CWC Sheriff, PL Police will be handing out candy.
Family Pumpkin Carving, Facepainting, Martial Arts and Gymnastics Demonstrations, and more.

 **PEQUOT LAKES**
REUNITING THE COMMUNITY



This event sponsored by Pequot Lakes local businesses and Community Action of Pequot Lakes.

Annual Charge Conference to be held at Park UMC in Brainerd on November 2nd at 4pm. All members welcome to attend. Committee chairs encouraged to attend. Please RSVP to Pastor Jen or Marsha Mower if you plan on attending.



October is CHURCH EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION MONTH.

Our church community is blessed with great staff! The Staff Parish Relations Committee invites you to send notes of encouragement and thanks to our staff.

Grace staff members are Jen Matthees (Pastor), Jacki Kline (Accompanist), Casey Dirksen (Substitute Accompanist), Ann Hutchings (Congregational Care Assistant), Joan Oscarson (Treasurer), Marsha Mower (Worship Support). In addition, we have three "volunteer" staff members - Ardie Morris (Hand Bell Director), Doris Longnecker (Financial Secretary), Rick Zbikowski (Assistant Financial Secretary). Jane Christensen (Custodian) is a contractor under the direction of the Trustees.

October 19th is "Laity Appreciation Sunday"
Grace UMC is made better because of ALL who serve!

It seems too soon to say good-bye, but some of our snowbirds are headed south already or very soon! It has to be tough to leave when we are actually experiencing such a beautiful Fall! We would love to be able to stay in contact with you while you are away. Please let the office know when you are leaving so we can change your contact information for the season.



Would you like to make the world
a little better?
Here's how.
Be Kind.

These are troubling times.
and everyone needs
some happiness.
Your actions will help us all
Unite Around Kindness.



The church office is open Tuesday from 9am until noon. It is also open on Wednesdays from 10-noon. Ring the doorbell and we will come to open the south door!

--Church office phone: 218-568-5755

-- Church office (for all general inquiries and administrative/clerical duties)

graceumcpequotlakes@gmail.com

- Pastor Jen Matthees – jenmatt20@gmail.com

-- Ann Hutchings-Congregational Care Assistant- graceumccare@gmail.com



Communication Reminder.....

The church office email (graceumcpequotlakes@gmail.com) should be used to inform the office about ALL events, meetings, or use of the building you would like to schedule so they can be added to the master calendar. This enables us to avoid scheduling conflicts and make sure the areas of the building are cooled/heated as needed.

The official church calendar is maintained by volunteers.

Our Congregational Care Assistant, Ann Hutchings, is in the office on **Tuesdays from 9:00-noon**. Her role is to follow-up with our church family, through telephone calls, notes and email, as well as greet and welcome those who visit our church and assist with any needs they might have. Ann's email (graceumccare@gmail.com) should be used for "congregational care" needs only.

If you have something that should be added to this newsletter from your group or mission, please speak with Pastor Jen or email the details to her at jenmatt20@gmail.com. The E-Grace is generally completed by noon on Thursdays, so articles need to be received by Thursday 10am.

If you wish to connect with me directly and it is not an emergency, please know that I will respond as needed during regular office hours. I am generally in the church on Tuesday (830-1130) and Wednesday (10-12), and Thursday (10-1) call the office to be sure, as my weeks vary. You may find me here at other times too! I check my emails frequently throughout the day, and this is the best way to contact me. **Friday is my day off** as needs allow, and **Monday is a full school day** (unless it is an emergency, Monday calls will be returned on Tuesday).

--Pastor Jen.

Did you know the church calendar is available on our website (graceumcpequotlakes.org)? There is a tab near the top, right side you can click to see the calendar!



Important note

If you are mailing something to the church, ***you must use our P.O. Box for the address.*** We do not receive mail at the church, and if you use the physical church address it will get returned and could delay your notices to us or offerings.

**P.O. Box 276
Pequot Lakes, MN 56472**

[Visit our website](http://www.graceumcpequotlakes.org)

On our website you can find links to past services, a spot to watch this week's service, an online link to giving, and much more!

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Spirit, **love boldly**, **serve joyfully**, and
lead courageously in local communities
and worldwide connections.**

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