

# The Herald of Grace

A Weekly Newsletter for Grace Lutheran Church

August 28, 2025

College Football season is back. What time is kick-off? Yes, all over the country and especially in the South, college football dictates many of our fall weekends: what we schedule, what we eliminate, where we go, what we eat, etc.

Now as a Pastor, football season means fall which means back to school, back to routine, cooler weather (maybe!), but also church ministries kicking off again.

What does kick-off mean for you? For me it means an exciting new start. This Fall, I am hoping we can all kickoff a new bible study or two, regular church attendance, a new season of choir, Children's Sunday School and all topped off with our 4th annual Oktoberfest! The seasons come and go, each with a different emphasis but I find the fall season to be the best to prioritize and organize our lives not just around school, work or the football schedule but centered around Christ and His Church. What time is Kickoff? There are new opportunities for you at Grace to help grow in faith and I hope we can all be a part of it. Within this newsletter and the coming weeks, you are invited to participate in new bible studies, Monday Night Small Group, mission projects, Oktoberfest weekend, book club, Choirs, Sunday School, etc.

Whatever it may be, I want to encourage you to join together with the family of Grace as one body and live our life for Christ. As His disciples, it's kick off time as we are called to spur one another on toward love and good deeds.

This past summer has been a long winding road, but God has truly been at work and I'm looking forward to kicking off the many annual blessings God gives Grace throughout the fall season.

In Christ,

Pastor Wayne J. Miller



Our Sunday School expansion is working out very well. Teachers, helpers, and students are all doing a great job and having a good time. **Parents and grandparents: We need your children!!**

**Age 3 years through grade 8.**

Connie Rowe- Sunday School Coordinator 251 270-9000

Sunday School Teachers/Helpers including high school students are needed for 3 classes: Preschool (*Age 3-5*), Elementary Grades 1-4, Tweens Grades 5-8.

**Sunday School is Sunday mornings @ 9:15 am.**

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August 28 – Chris Pollock  
August 29 – William Kringel  
August 31 – Oscar Addison  
Sept. 1 – Jacob Hankins  
Sept. 1 – Emmanuel Pollock  
Sept. 4 – JoAnne Toren



Sept. 1 – Nick and Ashley West

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Altar Flowers are still available for the following Sundays:  
August 17, 24, 31 and September 7, 28

\*\*\*\* Please return any green sleeve and glass vases that you might have taken home with your altar flowers! Thank you! \*\*\*\*

# Weekly Calendar

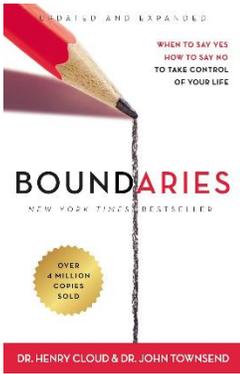
Sunday, August 31 <i>12th Sunday after Pentecost</i>	Sunday School	9:15 am
	Worship- Divine Service	10:30 am
Monday	Our Savior Bible Study ( <i>Matthew</i> )	11:00 am
Tuesday	Boundaries Book Study – Jan’s house	10:00 am
	Elders	6:00 pm
Wednesday	LWML	10:00 am
	Handbell Choir	5:30 pm
	Adult Choir	6:15 pm
Sunday, September 7 <i>13th Sunday after Pentecost</i>	Children’s Sunday School	9:15 am
	Worship- Divine Service	10:30 am

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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- **Volunteer for Oktoberfest 2025!** Sign-up sheet is in the back of the church. Our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Oktoberfest will be Saturday, September 27.
  
  - **Door Offering today** for own member, Luke Gober, Army National Guard, who is currently deployed overseas. Only requesting a couple dollars from those who can so Grace can send a care package. Thank you!
  
  - **From our Head Trustee:** Our handrails and rod iron inside and outside of the church are in desperate need of a good paint job. Need volunteers for this short-term project. If you have not volunteered for a project before, or if it has been a while since you have been on a project, come join as this is a great way to meet and get to know other members.  
 Workdays would be:
    - Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> 8:00 to 12:00
    - Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> 8:00 to 12:00
    - Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> 8:00 to 12:00
    - Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> 8:00 to 12:00
 If you can assist in this project, contact Bob West @ [rsw1959@yahoo.com](mailto:rsw1959@yahoo.com) with subject line “Grace Lutheran” or just show up on the dates listed.
  
  - **Adult Choir and Handbell Choir** resume Wednesday, September 3. Let Chris or Connie know if you are starting new with the choirs so that we can prepare your music.

# EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

## **New Bible Study Book Club Group! Tuesdays, at 10:00 a.m.**



We began a new book called “Boundaries” by Dr. Henry Cloud and De. John Townsend. In this *New York Times* bestseller, *Boundaries*, Drs. Henry Cloud and John Townsend help you learn when to say yes and know how to say no in order to take control of your life and set healthy, biblical boundaries with your spouse, children, friends, parents, co-workers, and even yourself. This book is available on Amazon.

We meet at Jan Tanner’s house, 265 Park Ave, Mobile, AL 36607  
Call Jan @ 251-232-9011 for more information!

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## **Pastor’s Midweek Bible Study starting on September 10**

Pastor will have a daytime bible study at Grace on **Wednesdays at 11:00 am** starting on September 10. This will be a weekly bible study throughout the year except during Advent and Lent. Study will be announced soon!

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## **Monday Night Small Group returning on September 8!**

Pastor will be leading this Monday Night Small Group for the next couple months. Monday night small group will meet at 5:30 for fellowship and study TBD by Pastor. Stay tuned for more information!

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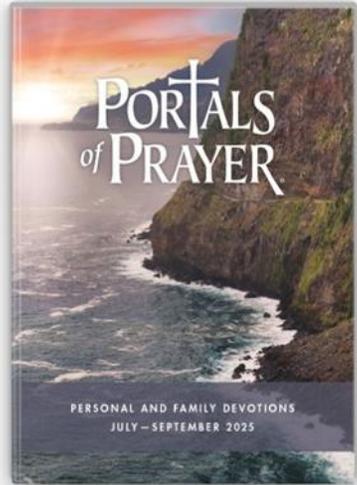
## **WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE**

This week's memory verse: Isaiah 41:10

***Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God;  
I will strengthen you, I will help you,  
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.***

This Month's Prayer: Common Table Prayer for Lutheran Households

***Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest,  
And let these gifts to us be blest. Amen.***



Did you know that the Portals of Prayer published by our own LCMS publishing house is one of the longest running daily devotionals in the United States? Since 1937!

These are available for you and your family from Grace Lutheran Church! They are published quarterly and provide a short means for learning and applying God's Word daily in our lives. It's a small but beneficial way to be in the Word together. Don't forget your Portals of Prayer!

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SATURDAY  
SEPTEMBER 27, 2025  
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FOOD - PRETZELS - BEER - WINE  
MUSIC - RAFFLE - PHOTO BOOTH  
KINDER KRAFTS - LAWN GAMES

1356 GOVERNMENT STREET, MOBILE, AL  
251-433-2749



**Try to book by February 24 for best location and guaranteed prices!  
Call Galyna Henry. Deposits could be as low as \$50 pp.  
More info on next page.**



# 6-DAY BAHAMAS CRUISE

## Carnival Spirit

Monday, January 11 – Sunday, January 17, 2027

Starting at **\$734.00** per person

### ITINERARY:

- Monday, January 11: Depart Mobile, AL 3:30 PM
- Tuesday, January 12: Fun Day at Sea
- Wednesday, January 13: Celebration Key, The Bahama
- Thursday, January 14: Nassau, The Bahamas
- Friday, January 15: Fun Day at Sea
- Saturday, January 16: Fun Day at Sea
- Sunday, January 17: Arrive Mobile, AL 8:00 AM

**STATEROOMS:**  
*Prices are per person based on double occupancy.*

Cat. 4D - Interior  
**\$734.00**

Cat. 4E - Interior  
**\$744.00**

Cat. 8D - Balcony  
**\$944.00**

Cat. 8E - Balcony  
**\$954.00**

Cat. 8K -  
Extended Balcony  
**\$974.00**

### INCLUSIONS:

- ◆ 6-day cruise aboard **Carnival Spirit**
- ◆ Meals and entertainment on board the ship
- ◆ Port charges, government taxes, and fees

### NOT INCLUDED:

- ◆ Gratuities to shipboard staff
- ◆ Optional shore excursions
- ◆ Travel Protection



Prices are per person, based on double occupancy. Stateroom categories and prices are subject to availability and are on a first come, first serve basis. Other categories may be available by request. Pricing and stateroom availability for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> guests are available upon request. Prices are subject to change due to fuel charges and other vendor charges. **A valid passport is required with at least 6 months validity beyond return date.** **Deposit of \$250.00 per person is due with the completed registration form by February 24, 2025. Final payment is due September 29, 2026.**



Galyna Henry  
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# Camp Dixie 2025

## Chicken Dinner Schedule

All Camp Dixie Chicken Dinners are served from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm



### Dates for 2025!

January 12, 2025  
February 9, 2025  
March 9, 2025  
April 27, 2025  
June 8, 2025  
September 14, 2025  
October 12, 2025  
November 9, 2025

Bring Your Family And Friends And Enjoy Fellowship,  
And Fun, While Having Some FANTASTIC Fried Chicken!

Dine-In & Take Out Orders  
For More Information, Please  
Call (251) 987-1201 Or Visit Our Website  
[www.campdixieministries.org](http://www.campdixieministries.org)  
Located At: 29711 Josephine Dr. Elberta, AL 36530

**All Proceeds Benefit Camp Dixie Lutheran Outdoor Ministry.**

*Mission Statement: Camp Dixie is a place where campers, counselors, and staff members are able to grow spiritually, physically, emotionally and intellectually, in a positive way by experiencing, reflecting and evaluating in an outdoor-based Christ-centered program.*

**Grace Lutheran Church**  
**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:15 am**  
**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 10:30 am**  
**ADULT BIBLE STUDY *After Service***

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Weekly newsletter items must be submitted by Wednesday of each week.



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**Grace Lutheran's Facebook page  
or  
youtube.com**

**(Search and subscribe to Grace Lutheran Church, Mobile, AL)**