

G.A.B. GUIDEPOST - JUNE 2023

The Monthly NEWSLETTER OF:

(Grace, Augsburg, Bonnechere)

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June 2023 Readings

June 4 Genesis 1:1-2:4a, Psalm 8, 2 Corinthians 13:11-13,
Matthew 28:16-20

June 11 Hosea 5:15-6:6, Psalm 50:7-15, Romans 4:13-25,
Matthew 9:4-13, 18-26

June 18 Exodus 19:2-8a, Psalm 100, Romans 5:1-8, Matthew 9:35, 1-8

June 25 Jeremiah 20:7-13, Psalm 69: 7-10, 16-18, Romans 6:1b-11,
Matthew 10:24-39



Change in Service Times for the Summer:

For the months of **June, July & August** Grace will have services starting at 9:00 AM, and Bonnechere/Augsburg will be at 10:30 AM.

Marriages

May 27th, Lauren Felhaber & Brendan Nephin were joined in Holy matrimony. On June 3rd Nicole Schilkie & Grant Valliant were married. Let us pray for these couples as they begin their journey together.



Cemetery Services



Grace On Sunday, June 25 Grace will hold their Cemetery service. The service will begin at the Cemetery at 2:30 PM and then proceed to the church. Following the service there will be fellowship with tea, coffee and snacks in the fellowship hall.

Sebastopol Sunday, July 9th at 2:30 PM the church on the mountain will have their annual Cemetery Service. As always, there will be familiar hymns, food for the soul and followingservice there will be food for our bodies with a pot luck feast.

Augsburg TBA

Bonnechere TBA

Pastor's Visitation

People in nursing homes, senior residences or shut-ins are on Pastor Ralph's regular visitation list. He will call to arrange a convenient time for you. However, anyone with a pastoral emergency, or would just like to visit, please call 613-628-1392 or 613-628-2867 and Pastor Ralph will gladly make a visit. Please call to let us know if you are going into hospital so that a visit or special prayers are needed we are able to do so.

Blood Donor Clinic

Many people take their vacation in the summer. More people are travelling and the chance of accidents increases thereby increasing the need for blood donations. Before you go on holidays think of donating this precious gift that may save a life. To donate: Call 1- 888- 2 DONATE (1-888-236-6283) to make an appointment at Grace June 29th from 1- 7 PM.



Cuddles and Hugs – Victorian Quilts

This month Bonnechere quilters will meet on Wednesday, June 21st, from 9 AM - 3 PM. These quilts are made for people in our area undergoing cancer treatments

JUNE IS PROPERTY FUNDRAISING MONTH

Your financial assistance would help with the many projects planned for this year. You can use your regular envelope or a blank one, indicating your special offering. Thank you for your generosity. If you are talented in carpentry and could assist in any of the projects just let Dave Drefke, or Barry Nagora know.



June 21 is National Indigenous Peoples Day. This is a day for all Canadians to recognize and celebrate the unique heritage, diverse cultures, and outstanding contributions of First Nations, Inuit, and Metis peoples. This day was chosen due to the significance of the summer solstice as the longest day of the year.

This year the Eganville Ministerial is planning an ecumenical service in the park at 4PM. Everyone is invited to join in this special service of unity.

Confirmation Camp July 10 -14

This year we will have 2 of our confirmands attend Camp Lutherlyn to learn and have a fun experience. Our Pastor Ralph will also be attending and leading some of the sessions. We are looking for support to make this camp possible.



The family of Emmy Sell are sponsoring this months Guidepost in honour of her birthday June 30th. Happy Birthday Emmy!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Choir Practice ends on June 22nd
- Joint service July 30th at Grace 9 AM
- Pastor vacation July 31 – Aug 15
- Sebasopol Thanks Giving Service Septembe 24th
- Harvest Supper September 30th

From the Pastor's Desk

Grace and Peace to your from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ

What is Pentecost? This is something I have asked our confirmands. I told them that Pentecost derives its name from the Jewish festival celebrating the harvest and the giving of the law on Mount Sinai fifty days after the Passover. Fifty days after Easter. It is a day when we celebrate the Holy Spirit as God's presence within and among us. In the book of Acts, it describes the receiving of the Holy Spirit as a "sound like the rush of violent wind", not like we also thought like Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit on his disciples. This gave the disciple the ability to "speak in tongues" in languages what the Spirit gave them. We too are given Holy Spirit at our Baptism and are then sent out to proclaim God's redeeming love to the entire world.

In worship we gather around the waters of Baptism, we hear God's word through the scriptures, and we share in the bread and wine. These experiences are for us the meaning of grace and the sharing of ourselves to the world. At the end of worship, we are sent out with the power of the Holy Spirit to look for grace at work, to share our good works, and to glorify our Father in heaven.

May God bless you always!

Pastor Ralph