



Grace Newsletter

October 2026

Youth Lock In—

Our 3rd annual youth lock-in is Friday, October 30th from 6:30pm-midnight. Please sign your 5th through 12th grade youth up through the code below or on the Family Board at church. We always have a great time at these lock-ins. Please sign up your son/daughter as well as any friends attending so we can buy the right amount of food.

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Youth Lock-In

2026

Friday, October 30th

6:30pm - 12:00am

Dinner Provided

Bring a snack or dessert to share.

Games & Devotion

"FOR EVERYONE BORN OF GOD OVERCOMES THE WORLD. THIS IS THE VICTORY THAT HAS OVERCOME THE WORLD, EVEN OUR FAITH." 1 JOHN 5:4



Located at Grace
Lutheran in Caldwell
2718 S Kimball Ave
Caldwell, ID 83617



Grades 5-12 welcome!
Please RSVP through the QR Code.
Questions? lboederdfm@gmail.com



Our next gathering is scheduled for Sunday, October 25 at 6:30 pm. We will be discussing: "Welcome to the Garden Club" by Jenny Tilbury. Meeting place: Marilyn Seay's home.

Opening day of the Fleur-de-Lis Ladies Garden Club of the French Quarter gives fifty lucky women a chance to express their inner southern divas. As longtime member Stephanie Lewis steps into a luxurious condo to begin a new season of the garden club, she has no idea of the drama and life changes that await her. Stephanie, a community volunteer and socialite, is convinced that proper civilization ends at the New Orleans city limits. Her friends and fellow members consist of Gloria Vincent, a wealthy widow who manages two international businesses, and Dolores Delacroix, a successful business owner and master gardener who drinks like a sailor. As the roots of improbable friendships grow deeper, the women discover there is more to every life than what appears on the

surface. When a chain of events transforms Stephanie's life and the existence of the garden club forever, each of the women learns that she must first examine the past and face the present before she can ever embrace future possibilities. In this heartwarming story, the ladies of a French Quarter garden club depend upon reliance, grace, and the bonds of their sisterhood to courageously deal with life's unexpected twists and turns.

All women are welcome to join us for a heartfelt discussion and a glass of wine! If you have any questions, call Hope at (208) 405-6080.

Board Opportunities—

Every year people might move on or move off of a board. In November participants will be voted onto a board if they choose to serve. Please consider your talents and where you might best serve the church on one of the following boards:

- Board of Elders
- Board of Stewardship and Finance
- Board of Education
- Board of Outreach
- Board of Trustees
- Pre-School/Childcare Board

Board responsibilities can be found in our Church Constitution and if you have questions or need a copy, please send an email requesting a copy to graceonkimball@gmail.com.

“How God Sees You”

What is your favorite thing about Fall? Some people love seeing the leaves change. Others enjoy the return of pumpkin spice. As for me, I appreciate the annual apple harvest. When my family and I lived in Jerome, we visited the orchard almost every year to pick fresh apples for our lunches, apple sauce, apple butter, a few apple crisps, and pies. As a Washingtonian, apples are among my favorite fruits.

I mention apples because they relate to our common phrase: “You’re the apple of my eye.” According to Merriam-Webster Dictionary, this idiom means “a person or thing that someone loves very much.” This expression is believed to come from an ancient Hebrew phrase that appears in the King James Version. Its first occurrence is in Deuteronomy 32:10: “He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling wilderness; he led him about, he instructed him, he kept him as the apple of his eye.” Next, David used it in a prayer found in Psalm 17:8, “Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the shadow of thy wings.” This is followed by a father’s command to his son in Proverbs 7:2, “Keep my commandments, and live; and my law as the apple of thine eye.” Jeremiah pleaded in Lamentations 2:18, “Their heart cried unto the Lord, O wall of the daughter of Zion, let tears run down like a river day and night: give thyself no rest; let not the apple of thine eye cease.” Lastly, Zechariah used it in verse 2:8, “For thus saith the LORD of hosts; After the glory hath he sent me unto the nations which spoiled you: for he that toucheth you toucheth the apple of his eye.” However, when I examined the Hebrew, it actually refers to “the pupil in one’s eye.”

When we consider this idiom in view of protection and care, it becomes even more meaningful when we relate it to our daily experiences and biblical understanding. For instance, whenever something approaches our eyes, we instinctively blink to protect them from harm. Additionally, we wear safety glasses in hazardous environments to shield our eyes from debris. During the summer months, sunglasses are essential for blocking harmful ultraviolet rays and safeguarding our vision.

Like these everyday actions, many Old Testament writers describe how God Himself acts in similar ways—protecting, guiding, and caring for His people. He is like the vigilant protector who watches over us with love and tenderness, ensuring our safety.

At times, we may feel forgotten, overlooked, or unworthy. These feelings can be overwhelming, but God’s message is clear: you are seen, known, and cherished—not because of anything you have done, but because of who He is. God created you with intentionality and love. He watches over you constantly, calling you His own. When He looks at you, He sees you through His Son—redeemed, sanctified, and dearly loved.



This imagery emphasizes a profound truth: you are the pupil, the apple, of His eye—precious and forever treasured in His sight. Come and join us this fall for study and service with the Lord, who now shall “bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.”

Your Brother in Christ,
Pastor Jason E. Gullidge
Job 19:25-27



Grace Lutheran Child Care Center

Play ♥ Learn ♥ Grow ♥ In God's Love

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Therapy Dogs Visit! ♥

We were so blessed to have the therapy dogs visit our classrooms! The children loved meeting, petting, and spending time with the sweet and gentle dogs. It was a special experience that brought smiles, comfort, and joy to everyone!



Fall is Coming!

We will be talking about fall, leaves, and pumpkins this month. The children will explore the changes in the season through stories, crafts, and hands-on activities.



Music Time!

We are focusing on music and teaching the children instruments to the Bible song of the month.

The Littles

Every 3rd Thursday
at 10:00 a.m.



The Older 3, 4 & 5s

Every 2nd Thursday
at 10:00 a.m.



 A parent has volunteered her time to teach the children. Thank you! 



Trunk or Treat

We will be participating in our Trunk or Treat with the Grace Lutheran Preschool program from Grace Lutheran Church in the parking lot in October, towards the end of the month.



Grace+ Lutheran

Preschool & Pre-K

On-site field trip is Tuesday; October 6th
We will be welcoming a firetruck from the Caldwell Fire Department and learning all about fire safety.



WHO: All preschool children and their younger siblings.
WHAT: A fun time with preschool friends trick-or-treating in the daylight from the trunk of a car.

WHEN: Thursday, October 29
11:15 a.m. Costume Parade (AM Class)
11:30 a.m. Trunk or Treat
12:05 p.m. Costume Parade (PM Class)
WHERE: The parking lot at Grace.

Preschool and Childcare Center parents and members of Grace bring your car and decorate your trunk. Arrive at 11:00 a.m. in the parking lot to line up and get your trunk ready. The children will have a parade of costumes out back by the playground directly behind the church at 11:15 a.m. The preschool pm class will have their parade at 12:05 p.m. It will be a fun time for adults and kids. This is a great event for church members to get to know our preschool families and vice versa.

Western Zone Event
LWML
Jesus, the Good Shepherd

Christ Lutheran Church
1406 W Cherry Ln,
Meridian, ID

Oct. 24, 2026 @ 9:00
AM
\$5 Registration

Bring Food
Pantry Items
for Salvation
Army

Luke 15:4-5

 **Lutheran Women**
in Mission

Next meeting is Monday, October 12th at 6:00 p.m. in the church fellowship room. Devotion will be given by Cindy Runyan and Lillian & Marilyn will be hosting. All women are welcome to join. Contact Carla Shields if you have any questions.

Upcoming Events: October 4 is LWML Sunday and the Western Zone Fall Rally is October 24.

Greeting and Thanksgiving cards are available by the box (\$5 for 12) or individually (\$0.50). Starting in November boxed Christmas cards will be available. Box of 12 \$5 and box of 24 \$10. Barbara James is available to help you with your card purchases. If unable to find her, contact Dee Volk.

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