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| |  | | --- | | Grace Notes – september 23, 2016 |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Grace Notes** | | **Gracious Savior Church**  **Sunday Worship - 9:30am**  Worship at corner of Hwy 6 and Lake Creek Ave.  Sunday School at 9:15am – Nursery is lovingly staffed.  Adult Bible Study – 10:30am    Gracious Savior Church is located at 33520 Hwy 6 on the corner of Hwy 6 and Lake Creek Ave. We are just 1 mile west of the Edwards stoplight on Hwy 6.  For more info visit us online at: [www.gracioussavior.org](http://www.gracioussavior.org) | | |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | // |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  | **Pastor’s Note**  How was your week? Was it exciting? Was it enriching? Did it fully engage you? Do you feel fulfilled?  Or was it mundane? Did it feel like you fixed one problem only to have two more spring up? Was it frustrating? If you could afford to quit right now, would you?  I think everyone has weeks, months, maybe even years when it feels like work is just one darned day after another. It’s sometimes hard, stressful, with too few results to show for all your labor.  One of my favorite Luther sayings is, “God himself will milk the cows through him whose vocation that is.” In other words, God uses people doing their daily work to bless his world.  It’s a different way to think about work. God is using you – a contractor, a teacher, an electrician, a realtor – to bless His world. What you do matters and you are gifted by God to work. You matter.  This was a new idea in the Reformation era of Martin Luther. Prior to Luther it was only those who worked in the Church who did things that truly mattered. Other occupations were fine and necessary, but they weren’t important to God. Luther turned that notion on its head. He wrote, “A Dairymaid can milk cows to the glory of God.”  This new concept is often called the “Doctrine of Vocation”. I don’t think this doctrine is going to make your week less stressful, but I pray that it gives you some more purpose and calling within the stress and labor of work. What you do really does matter because you really matter to God.  Given Daily Bread,  Pastor Jason  P.S. If you miss a Sunday and want to catch up in the sermon series or just want to review the message, you can check it out in iTunes at: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/podcast/gracious-savior-churchs-podcast/id897614540>  or online at: <http://gracioussaviorchurch.buzzsprout.com/> | |  |  |  | |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | // |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  | **Children’s Ministy**  **New Preschool Class Starting!**  We are starting our new Sunday School Year on August 28th. The kids will be going downstairs before the service starts. We will also start a new Preschool class for our younger kids aged 3 to 1st grade with lessons specially designed for them. Join us August 28th!    **Service Opportunity**  We have officially adopted Adler Pierre as a Sunday School. Adler is 5 years old. He is from Haiti. He lives with his Mom and likes marbles and soccer. All the money from our donuts go to Adler. If you have thought about adopting a Compassion International child and just couldn’t afford it, this is a great opportunity. We can all pitch in to help Adler. Please pray for Adler and his Mom. | |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | // |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  | **Middle School Confirmation**  Middle School Confirmation meets on the First and Third Wednesdays of every month from 6:30-8:00pm. Our next gathering will be Wednesday, October 5th. See you there! | |  |  |  | |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | // |  |  | | --- | | **Memorial Service for Suzanne Dauphinais**  On Saturday, October 8th at 10am we will celebrate the Heavenly Homecoming of Suzanne Dauphinais. Since Vail Christian High School has always been a special place to Suzanne and the family, the memorial service will be held in the VCHS Auditorium. You are warmly invited to attend this special service.  **Bronco’s Game**  Let’s cheer on the Bronco’s together on Sunday, October 9th at 2:00pm. Bring your favorite snack. We will be meeting at the Cliver’s home. Call Pastor Jason for directions.  **Cuba 2017 – May 4-12th**  We will be sending a team to Cuba on May 4-12, 2017. Want to make a difference and go on the trip of a lifetime? Talk with Pastor Jason or Nate Hall. | | **New Church Directory**  We will be starting the process of creating a new church directory. Please email or bring in a family photo this summer.  **Women’s Bible Study**  Women’s Bible Study will be Tuesday, September 27th at 8:30am. We will be doing a 6 week study on “Keep It Shut: What to Say, How to Say It, and When to Say Nothing at All” by Karen Ehman. Keep It Shut is a six-session, video-based small group Bible study that explores how to control the tongue. Each session features a different character from the Bible, using them either as an example of someone to emulate or whose verbal actions we should avoid replicating. Unsolicited opinion-slinging, speaking the truth in love, not saying words just to people-please, and dealing with our verbal anger are sub-topics that will also be addressed. Study Guides will be 7.00$.  **Orphan Grain Train**  Orphan Grain Train is a mission that never throws any donated clothing or fabric away!  They have a need for all types and give it away for many different uses - finding a home for it more quickly then they can keep it in stock.  This is an opportunity to support local Colorado missions and international missions simultaneously - getting the right item to the right place, and not letting anything go to waste.  Our clothing bank is a great ongoing opportunity to help fill these needs and demand.  God is truly opening up doors for distribution, which is often the biggest hurdle!  Volunteers are needed to drive the items to the sorting hub outside of Denver - please consider combining a small drop off with your next errand trip to Denver! More fabric and clothing is also welcome, as the need is great!  They are located at Epiphany Lutheran Church at 550 E. Wolfensberger Road, Castle Rock, CO 80109. You can drop off items any time. |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | // |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Upcoming Events**   * **Women of Faith –** September 23-24 * **Sunday Morning Discipleship 101 –** Every Sunday – 10:30am * **Women’s Bible Study –** Tuesday, September 27 – 8:30am * **Middle School Confirmation** – Wednesday, October 5 – 6:30pm * **Bible Walkers –** Wednesday, October 5 - 6:00pm * **Memorial Service for Suzanne Dauphinais** – Saturday, October 8 – 10:00am * **Bronco’s Game** – Sunday, October 9 – 2:00pm | |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | // |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Prayer Praises & Requests**   * Family of Suzanne Dauphinais after her passing last week. * Mie’s Dad is doing very well after a stroke. * Danielle Miller recovering from hip surgery. * Nate Picklo who is in hospice. * Patricia Todd who has an infection. * Terrianne Richards who has cancer. * Judge Neely and her defense of freedom of religion. * Family going through some financial struggles. * Young man struggling with mental health issues. * Max, Marilyn Karn’s brother, struggling with dementia and Parkinson’s disease. * Woman going through a challenging time. * Sharon Sumner who has Lou Gehrig’s disease. * Thanksgiving for birthdays for: Katherine Barry and Ginnie Edwards. | | | | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | | // |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Serving in God’s House This Sunday**  Elder: John Prewitt  Ushers: Jim & Janice  Reader: John Prewitt  Sunday School: Natalie & Janie | |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  | | --- | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  | [http://gracioussavior.org/marketTheme/version19/img/facebook.png](https://facebook.com/) | |