

BINGO AT PAYNESVILLE HEALTH CARE CENTER!

Ruth Circle will be facilitating BINGO at the Paynesville Health Care Center during the month of May. BINGO is played on Thursdays at 2:00 pm in the Care Center Dining Room. Please join us for the fun! Any questions can be directed to Cindy Holmberg (612-618-3783)



APPRECIATION DAY FOR CENTRACARE -

Once again, we are participating in the Appreciation Days for healthcare workers at CentraCare on Wednesday May 14th. We will be providing cookies again! Cards and individual cookie baggies will be handed out to the bakers next week. (We already have several bakers signed up for this event). Anyone baking cookies should bring them to the Fireside Room on Tuesday morning by 9:30.a.m. The Ruth Circle group will do the final packaging. Thank you!



American
Red Cross

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE – Grace United Methodist Church will be hosting the Paynesville Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, May 22, 2025. We will need four volunteers to work at this event. Two people from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm and two from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm. One person will work at the registration table and the other in the recovery area. **Please sign up in the Gathering Space if you would be able to volunteer.** Also, please help by donating blood. “Every 2 seconds someone in the US needs blood.” Call: 1-800-733-2767 or visit

RedCrossBlood.org to schedule an appointment. **We are 6 reservations short of the 35 reservations that the American Red Cross requires.** We need to fill these spots in order to continue having the blood drive at Grace, so please consider donating and spread the word. **As a thank you, Red Cross is giving away Solar Lanterns (while supplies last) when you donate.** Donating blood is such a special gift to give!

NEED PRAYER? CONTACT EITHER:

- Nancy Deadrick at 320-220-1259
or 1970nancylee@gmail.com
 - Deb Thomsen at 320-290-2781
or dkthomsen1010@gmail.com;
 - the church office or place request in the prayer box
next to the church office.
- All requests are strictly confidential.**



FOR OUR MONTHLY MISSION FOR MAY, WE ARE COLLECTING A

“LOVE OFFERING”. Each year, churches in the Minnesota Annual Conference take a Love Offering for missions in conjunction with our Annual Conference Session.

Our Love Offering theme this year is “Love in Action.” Bishop Lanette Plambeck invites congregations to pray about and participate in the Love Offering as we put love into action.

This year’s Love Offering will go to:

30% will go to Africa University for student scholarships.

30% will go to Immigration Law & Justice Network.

20% will go to OC Ministries.

20% will go to Midwest Mission.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

~Grace Church Missions Team



MAY GREETINGS FROM YOUR TRUSTEES!

“April showers bring May flowers” ... and also weeds, and the need for trimming and lawn care on our church property. The trustees will be at church at 6 pm on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from May to October. We would greatly appreciate the help of anyone who enjoys outdoor work!

Many thanks! If you have any questions, please contact any one of us: Jim Freiling (320) 293-0150, Byron Fuchs (320) 292-4368, Scott Schaefer (320) 293-2073, Bob Lindbloom (320) 895-0702, Randy Brink (612) 812-8520, or Dean Heitke (320) 267-3056.

Thank you to Sara and Paul Larsen for volunteering to take care of the planter in front of the church!