

Volunteering is a Work of Heart ♥

As we move forward with regard to Worship Helpers for Sunday's services, if you volunteered in the past, we will continue to put you on the schedule. You will be used in the same capacity as in the past. If you are no longer interested in helping out, or are willing to branch out to another position (greeter, usher, sound, liturgist, acolyte, communion and nursery), please contact the office (see page two). If you have not volunteered in the past and would like to start, we would love to have you on Grace's team.



**Wednesday, July 14th ~ 6:30—8:30 p.m.**

**Now Meeting at Grace UMC in the Narthex**

*Guests and New Members Are Welcome!*

Magic Hour by Kristsen Hannah

**Monday, July 12, 2021**

We will continue our viewing of the Netflix series, The Crown.



**KID'S 'N KINSHIP**

Become a Youth Mentor! Kids 'n Kinship provides mentoring friendships to youth ages 5-16 who are in need of a positive role model. Individuals, couples and families volunteer to spend time with their mentee each week to enjoy fun and enriching activities. They have 38 youth on their wait list from Apple Valley, Burnsville, Eagan, Farmington, Lakeville and Rosemount. Join them in building a stronger community through youth mentoring.

Virtual Information Sessions: Monday, July 12th from 6:30-7:30 p.m. (over Zoom)  
Thursday, July 22nd from 7:00-8:00 p.m. (over Zoom) Can't attend? They will schedule a time that works for you! Please RSVP at: [volunteer@kidsnkinship.org](mailto:volunteer@kidsnkinship.org). See also: [www.kidsnkinship.org](http://www.kidsnkinship.org). An overview of the program and a poster can be found on the "Upcoming Events" section on the kiosk in the Narthex.

**NATIONAL PARENT'S DAY**

Observed on the Fourth Sunday of July

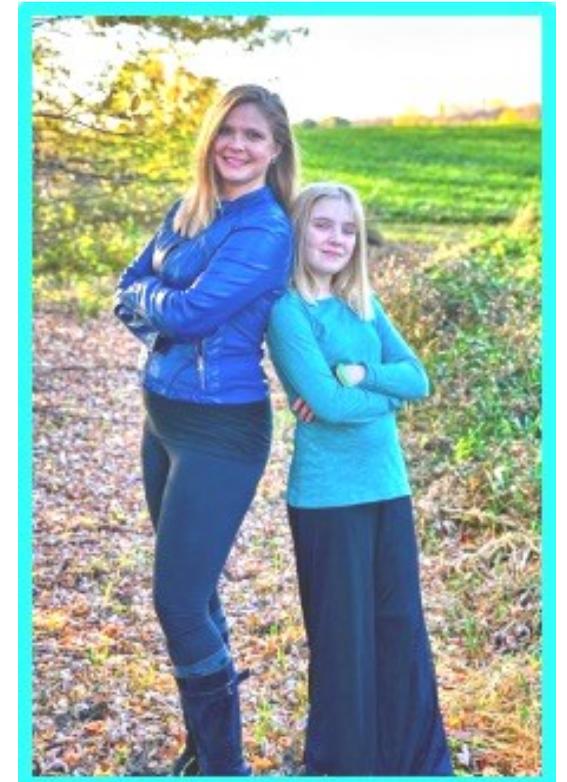
President Bill Clinton established the holiday in 1994 by signing the Congressional Resolution that approved National Parents' Day by law. With participation from citizens, educational institutions, federal and local governments, legislative bodies, and organization activities, events take place to recognize, uplift, and support the role of parents in raising their children.

# Grace Notes

**Welcome  
Pastor Amanda  
and Norah**

**July 2021**

we're  
glad you're  
here™



**Grace United Methodist Church**

***Making Disciples of Jesus Christ***

**PLEASE NOTE:** For everyone's safety, person's not fully vaccinated should either worship on-line or continue to wear a mask. Thank you.

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Beth and I want to thank you for all the dear words of blessing and farewell you shared with us as well as the generous gift that will be used for visiting with family. We are filled with good memories and gratitude for our time with you.



Grace and peace,  
Pastor Rory and Beth

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### ***RUTH VOLL CIRCLE***

Wednesday, **July 28th**



1:00 p.m. in Room 6

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**PRAYER REQUESTS:** To request prayerful support from Grace UMC there are several options. Paper forms can be found in the Narthex for completion. Prayers during worship will be adapted for time and confidentiality. You may also call the office at 952-435-5696 or e-mail at [office@graceumcburnsville.org](mailto:office@graceumcburnsville.org). These requests are also

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**Administrative Board Meeting**



Monday, July 19th at 7:00 p.m.

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**Our Mission:** To serve and unite those we touch with the Grace of God.

**Our Vision:** Transforming lives to become the heart, hands, and feet of Jesus in the world.

**OFFICE HOURS:**  
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday  
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Pastor's  Post

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friends in Christ!

Guess what? God did something fun. God brought us together. You and Me. That alone is fun enough. But what's even more fun is that over the next couple months and first year together we will be getting to know one another at an exponential rate. The newness of it all will be both fantastic and frustrating. I guarantee it. But it will all be good, because God's got us. Both of us. We are bonded in Divine Love. And that Love will be the foundation of our starting time together.

But let's start simple. I'm Pastor Amanda. I'm a single mom to my fiercely creative and determined 12 year-old daughter, Norah. She is my world and we love having adventures together. I grew up on a hobby farm in the countryside of rural, central Minnesota, fishing with my dad and helping my mom can the bounty of the garden she raised for our family. But I am a global spirit, and have traveled all over the world, loving my time experiencing and learning about different cultures and the people in them. I love all things chicken and dream of once again having a coup of ladies in my urban backyard (this will happen, this I know). I value making and building connections with ALL kinds of people from ALL sectors of Life. Human beings fascinate me, period. So don't be surprised when I take up "office space" all over the city of Burnsville!

What about you? What are some of the simple things you want to share with me about who you are? I'm eager to listen. Eager to learn. Both your individual stories and your collective stories as a church community!

So, are you ready to have some fun this first year? I know I am. I can't wait to see how our God-shenanigans will be made manifest together as our relationship unfolds in trust, love, and care.

I'm Pastor Amanda.

**I CAN'T WAIT TO MEET YOU!**

