



Grace
Lutheran

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Saturday, January 21 and Sunday, January 22, 2012

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January

WORSHIP SERVICES

5:00 pm – Saturday in the **Sanctuary**
7:45 am – Sunday in the **Sanctuary**
9:00 am – Sunday in **Grace Hall**
11:15 am – Sunday in the **Sanctuary**
10:15 Education Hour

WELCOME VISITORS

We welcome all visitors worshipping with us today. Please stop by the Visitor's Table to pick up a Welcome Bag. We invite you to sign the RCR card or fill out a visitor's card at the Table so we can get to know you.

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Sunday, January 22

9:00 am Adult Sunday School (L)
 7:00 pm AA Meeting (101A-101B)
 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Meeting (107)

Monday, January 23

1:00 pm Red Cross Blood Drive (FH)
 6:00 pm Cub Scouts (102, 104, 105, 106, 111, 112)
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts (101A-101B)
 7:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)

Tuesday, January 24

12:00 pm Table of Grace (FH/T)
 5:30 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (FH, T, UGS)
 7:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (L)

Wednesday, January 25

12:00 pm Brown Bag Bible Study (CLV)
 7:00 pm Praise Band & Singers (GH)

Thursday, January 26

9:00 am Connect Bible Study (108)
 5:00 pm Ardent Folk Bible Conversation (L)
 6:00 pm Ardent Folk Dinner (FH)
 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (MR)
 7:00 pm Thursday Evening Book Club (108)
 7:00 pm New Beginnings NA (109/110)

Friday, January 27

6:30 am Men's Bible Study (Bob Evans)
 8:00 pm Turning Point AA (109/110)

Saturday, January 28

6:00 pm Young Adult Group Meeting (101A/101B)

Sunday, January 29

9:00 am Adult Sunday School (L)
 12:00 pm Tubing at Ski Liberty for HS Youth
 3:00 pm Prayer for Christian Unity
 Worship (GH, FH, T)
 7:00 pm AA Meeting (101A-101B)

(**CLV**) Carroll Lutheran Village (**FH**) Fellowship Hall (**T**) Theater (**S**) Sanctuary (**GH**) Grace Hall (**UGS**) Upper Gathering Space (**LGS**) Lower Gathering Space (**MR**) Music Room, (**L**) Library

New Flower Charts for 2012



New flower sign up charts for 2012 are available and are posted on the bulletin boards in the Cloister (for the Sanctuary) and in the Upper Gathering Space (for Grace Hall). Please sign up to help us decorate our worship spaces. The cost is \$36 for either location.

DURING WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Preacher: Pastor Joseph Lettrich
January Altar Guild: Evelyn and Caroline Babylon

Worship Assistants: (5:00) Carol Ann Bauman, Arthur Pease, **(7:45)** Caroline Babylon, **(9:00)** Pete Tabatsko, **(11:15)** Rich Schuster, **Reader:** Jake Beckhardt

Communion Assistants: (9:00) Ann Thomas, Sharon Glass, Taylor Glass Button, Don Hodges, Don Ludwig

Ushers: (9:00) Perry Crowl, Nancy Taylor, Brian Sherfey, Linwood Van Horn

Acolyte: (11:15) Taylor Glass Button

DAILY READINGS	
Sun (22)	Mark 1:14-20
Mon (23)	Romans 9:6-18
Tues (24)	Deuteronomy 13:1-5
Weds (25)	Acts 9:1-22
Thurs (26)	Deuteronomy 18:15-20
Fri (27)	Psalm 111
Sat (28)	1 Corinthians 8:1-13
Sun (29)	Mark 1:21-28



SERVING NEXT WEEK (January 28-29):

Worship Assistants: (5:00) Pat Goldberg, **Reader:** John Baumgardner, **(7:45)** Craig Giles, **(9:00)** Rachel Fairchild, **(11:15)** Charlie Beckhardt

Communion Assistants: (9:00) Sharon Ramsey, Laura Heller, Pete Morano, Dottie Morano, Janet Bowersox

Ushers: (9:00) Janet Harrison, Deborah Brennan, Katie Brennan, John Yarish

Acolyte: (11:15) Anna Tschiegg

We thank Pastor Joseph Lettrich for leading our worship services this weekend while our pastors enjoy their vacation. Pastor Martha and Pastor Kevin will return to the office on Wednesday and will be leading the worship services next weekend.

Grace's longtime member, Thelma Schlerf died on Thursday morning, January 19, 2012. We extend our sympathy to her daughter Diana Pogue. The funeral service will be held on Monday, January 23 at 11:00 am. May Thelma's family be comforted by the promise of resurrection in Christ Jesus.



January 14 & 15 Attendance – (5:00) 28 (7:45) 34 (9:00) 265 (11:15) 78 (TOTAL) 405

Actual Income vs. Budgeted Income

Year to Date as of 1/16/2012

General Giving Budgeted Income	\$47,003.35	Mortgage Reduction Budgeted Income	\$8,682.60
General Giving Actual Income	\$31,066.73	Mortgage Reduction Actual Income	\$7,697.00
2012 YTD Budgeted Income	\$66,617.51	Total YTD Actual Expenses	\$33,738.16
2012 YTD Actual Income	<u>\$58,824.73</u>	Total YTD Actual Income	<u>\$58,824.73</u>
Budgeted Income Exceeding Actual	\$7,792.78	Total Income Exceeding Expenses	\$25,086.57

Grace Lutheran Church Red Cross Blood Drive – This Monday!

The next Red Cross Blood Drive will be held here at Grace this Monday, January 23 from **1:00-8:00 pm**. Please contact Emma Jane Weishaar at 410-848-1231 or email her at ejweishaar@comcast.net to schedule an appointment.



Grace Boomers Annual Super Bowl Party

Sunday, February 5, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Grace Boomers will hold a Super Bowl Party at the home of Jeff and Amy Pringle. Participants are asked to bring a main dish, a salad or a dessert. Please let us know that you plan to attend and what you plan to bring by signing the RCR card or by calling Cathy Barnes at 410-875-4291. If you need directions to the Pringles' home, please call Amy at 410-861-6223.



Married couples.....give yourselves the gift of an overnight retreat.....

**Friday, February 10 at 6:45PM – Saturday, February 11 at 4:00PM
at the Manor at Middle Creek, near Gettysburg, PA
\$150 per couple**

Pastor Martha and Pastor Kevin invite married couples (all ages) to join in an overnight retreat. It is an opportunity for a little time away in the midst of winter. There will be time to relax and time to prayerfully consider God's gift of marriage. The theme, "Your Time Starved Marriage" will provide conversation about how we can better support one another and strengthen our marriages in the midst of life's demands.

The retreat center is a Bed and Breakfast style center. You will have your own room and your own bathroom. (Sorry, twin beds!!) All linens and meals are provided. Dress is casual.

To register, please give a deposit of at least \$50 along with your names and contact information to Pastor Martha or sign up on the RCR card today. Yes, it is that simple!!!!

The retreat happens just a few days before Valentine's Day....this year, give your marriage the gift of time spent together.



Grace Lutheran Church is a Stephen Ministry Congregation

*"No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us
and his love is made complete in us." 1 John 4:12*

**Stephen Ministers often feel they have been the face of Christ in their
care receivers. Likewise, the care receivers feel that Stephen
Ministers bring Christ's presence into their home. Stephen Ministers
are caregivers, but God is the cure giver.**

CHRIST CARING FOR PEOPLE THROUGH PEOPLE

Nursery Help Needed

We need your help. Sarah Fullerton has agreed to organize and schedule nursery coverage at Grace but she is greatly in need of volunteers. Our greatest need is during the Christian Education hour from 10:15- 11:15 as several of our members have graciously volunteered their time to teach our youngest members and they need someone to watch their baby while they teach. If we are able to create a schedule for the Education hour we would also like to provide Nursery coverage during the 9am service in Grace Hall. For the 9am service we would have the volunteer watch the children in the Lamb's Den directly at the rear of Grace Hall, thereby enabling them to listen and experience the service. Remember the more volunteers we have the fewer times any one person is needed. If you feel God calling you to help, please notify either Stacie Dowling or Sarah Fullerton. Sarah's email is sarah.fullerton@aol.com. Thanks so much for your help in this ministry for our youngest members. Please note nursery is available for children 3 and under.

Kids' Night Out

Movie Night!

Saturday, February 4, 6 - 9 pm, Room 101

Children may come dressed in (appropriate) pajamas. We will serve breakfast for dinner and watch the movie "Smurfs," rated PG. Detailed movie reviews can be found online at www.pluggedinonline.com or www.imdb.com.

Event is for all children, ages 0-11. The Nursery will be open for younger children. Parents are asked to please follow our registration procedures at the table in the LFOG hallway before dropping off your children.

Parents are encouraged to go on a Valentine's date!

Teens age 12-18 are encouraged to help. (Community service hours are available.) Adult volunteers are also needed and very welcome!!

Contact Christy Vadder, 410.374.3144 or cjvadder@gmail.com for more information. To make reservations, please complete the RCR card.



High School Tubing – January 29, 1-4pm

Price Reduced!!! Was ~~\$39~~ Now \$20



Grace's High School youth will be enjoying a **Winter Fun Day of Tubing** at **Ski Liberty**, on **Sunday, January 29th**, beginning with our **1pm Lunch + 2-4pm Tubing!** The cost includes tubing & lunch (choice of pizza + chips OR hotdog + fries w/cookie & small drink). Please indicate your interest in attending on the RCR card. Prepayment is appreciated. Checks should be made payable to Grace Lutheran Church (subject line: TUBING). Any questions, contact Stacy Bowman on her cell phone at 443-340-7198 (text message are a great way to reach Stacy!) or by email at sjbweb62473@yahoo.com.

Celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity on Sunday, January 29 at 3:00 pm in Grace Hall

This year, the Churches of the Westminster Ministerium will again celebrate our unity in Christ by joining together for a worship service that includes prayer and special music. Please plan to attend this event which brings together many of the Christian congregations in our community. Pastor Martha serves as the President of the Westminster Ecumenical Ministerium. Both of our pastors are actively involved in the Ministerium and urge you to be a part of this exciting event. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated worldwide. This year's theme is "We will all be changed by the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ." The guest speaker will be Rick Santos, President and CEO of IMA World Health.

Pastor Martha needs a few people to help set up the reception and/or bake cookies for this event. We also need ushers. If you can help her, please sign the RCR card today.

Souper Bowl of Caring

MORE THAN 20 YEARS AGO, the Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group:

**"Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl
football game, help us to be mindful of those
without even a bowl of soup to eat."**



Since that day, more than \$81 million has been raised for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that is transforming the time around Super Bowl weekend into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving.

Through this mission, young people learn what it's like to make a positive difference in the world – as they collect food, raise money and volunteer to work in charities that provide shelter to the homeless, food to the hungry and compassion to those in need.

Be a part of this movement that is sharing God's love with those in need. Please give generously on Super Bowl Sunday. Every dollar donated will be divided equally between Shepherd's Staff and Carroll County Food Sunday. Grace Lutheran Church will be participating in this fundraiser this year.



Please remember in your prayers...

Names will remain on the Continuing Prayer List for four weeks unless otherwise requested. Names will then be removed unless another request is made. Please contact Dawn Stem in the church office (410-848-7020) with any prayer requests or email dstem@gracelc.org.



Those who are serving our country: Marshall Brown, Lt. Ryan Chaney, Tim Cooke, Jr., PFC Tyler Czarnowsky, Brandon Hadden, Steve Haines, Jonathan Jones, Nathan Karlson, Jeff Kelly, Christian Maisel, Adam Miller, Leah Miller, Steven P. Miller, Jr., David Ramsey, Paul Roberts, Chris St. Germain, Fred Tiedemann, Joel Whitson, and for all those unnamed individuals serving in our military, especially in war-zone areas

Those in Convalescent, Nursing or Rehab Centers: Sarah Barnes, Elinor Causey, Betsy Falkenstein, Elizabeth Fritz, Trudy Hirt, LaRue Long, Mildred Markle, Mary Ruth Mason, Donald and Nancy Michael, Evelyn Nevius, Virginia Sparrow, Ellen Terry, Margaret Zepp

Continuing Prayers: Dawn and Rosby, Chuck, Soni & The Smith Family, Kim Allred, Darrin Arbaugh, Adam Barnes, Cathy Barnes, Marion Bauman, Patricia Baumgardner, Glenn Becker, Bertha Black, Earl Blum, Brian Bowersox, Sandie Bowman, Troy Bowman, Shirley Boyle, Patricia Buscemi, Barbara Caples, Julia Anne and Rich Crawley, Rocky Davis, Charles Haas, Richard Haines, Christine Hale, Joyce Hertsch, Gertrude Hirt, Jennifer Hudson, Dennis Hughes, Sanford Kirkland, Mary Krempin, Sharon Little, Javier Marquez, Linda Meil, Wilda Miller, Naomi Myers, Ed Pinder, Carol Riggleman, Jason Rollings, Virginia Sparrow, Julia Thomas

Seminarians: Beth Clementson, Laura Heller and Sonia McCarthy

Also pray for our pastors, the members of the Church Council, the staff and all of God's children at Grace Lutheran Church.

NOTE: If you or someone you know is going into the hospital please call the church office as soon as possible.

Adult Education – Share Your Ideas

The Adult Education Committee has engaged our congregation in a variety of opportunities to explore and awaken our journey with God over the last several years – in-depth Bible study classes, spiritual deepening classes and pilgrimages, seminary speaker series, book studies and more. If you would like to contribute your ideas for new and/or existing programs, we welcome and encourage your input and participation in whatever way you are called to contribute. Time and commitment are up to you! Please join us on the second Tuesday of each month, 7 to 8:30 pm, in The Parlor beside of Pastor Martha's office. We're looking forward to seeing you soon! Pastor Martha, Sharon Glass (Chairperson), and the Adult Education Committee members

Little Friends of Grace Registration 2012/2013

LFOG is currently accepting registration for the 2012/2013 school year. Registration is now open to current students and their siblings, on January 16th registration we will begin accepting registrations from the Grace Lutheran congregation and on January 23rd registration will be open to the public. Please call Anita at 410-848-7020 ext. 113 if you have any questions. Listed below are the options for the upcoming school year; our hours will be 9:00-12:00.

Two year olds: T/TH or W/F

Three year olds: T/TH or MWF

Pre-K four year olds: MWF, M-TH, M-F or MWF 9:00-2:00

