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Saturday, October 6 and Sunday, October 7, 2012

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Grace Lutheran

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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, October 7

7:30 am Fair Trade Coffee Sale (LGS)

9:00 am Adult Sunday School Class (L)

1:30 pm Youth 100 Wells Concert (Carroll St. Lot)

3:00 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (MR)

Monday, October 8

6:00 pm Cub Scouts (102, 104, 105, 106, 111, 112)

6:00 pm Girl Scouts (FH)

7:00 pm Agape Handbell Rehearsal (MR)

7:00 pm Boy Scouts (101A-101B)

7:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)

Tuesday, October 9

12:00 pm Table of Grace Soup Kitchen (FH, T)

5:00 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (FH, T, 101)

7:00 pm Adult Education Committee Meeting (Parlor)

7:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (L)

Wednesday, October 10

12:00 pm Brown Bag Bible Study (CLV)

5:00 pm TOPS Weight Loss Club (109/110)

5:45 pm Luther Choir Rehearsal (MR)

7:00 pm Social Ministry Meeting (LGS)

7:30 pm Praise Band/Singers Practice (GH)

Thursday, October 11 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSES AT 2:00 PM TODAY

5:00 pm Ardent Folk Bible Conversation (L)

6:00 pm Ardent Folk Weekly Meal (FH/T)

7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (MR)

7:00 pm Thursday Evening Book Club (L)

7:00 pm New Beginnings NA Meeting (109/110)

Friday, October 12

6:30 am Men's Brkfst & Bible Conversation (Bob Evans)

8:00 pm Turning Point AA Meeting (109/110)

Saturday, October 13

9:00 am First Communion Class (L)

5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)

6:00 pm Graceland (College Age Adult Group) (L)

Sunday, October 14

7:45 am Traditional Worship (S)

9:00 am Adult Sunday School Class (L)

9:00 am Contemporary Worship (GH)

10:15 am Christian Education Hour (various)

11:15 am Traditional Worship (S)

3:00 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (MR)

7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Meeting (107)



Grace Lutheran Church is a Stephen Ministry Congregation CHRIST SERVING PEOPLE THROUGH PEOPLE

(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

DURING WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Preacher: (5:00, 7:45, 9:00) Pastor Kevin Clementson,

(11:15) Vicar Karin Albaugh

October Altar Guild: Doris Hare and Elissa Streaker (S),

Cyndy Beckhardt (GH)

<u>Worship Assistants</u>: (5:00) Vicar Karin Albaugh, (7:45) Pat Goldberg, (9:00) Vicar Karin Albaugh,

(11:15) Florence Bastien

Communion Assistants: (9:00) JoAnn Murphy, Harold Murphy,

Don Meyers, Beth Meyers, Kim Meyers

Ushers: (9:00) Perry Crowl, Nancy Taylor, Janet Harrison, Bill Comegna

Acolyte: (5:00) Taylor Glass Button, (11:15) Haley Hoff

SERVING NEXT WEEK (October 13 & 14):

Worship Assistants: (5:00) Bob Lichtfuss, Maddie Lichtfuss, (7:45) Dena Hodges,

(9:00) Laura Heller, (11:15) Charlie Beckhardt, **READER:** Jake Beckhardt **Communion Assistants:** (9:00) Janet Bowersox, Pete Morano, Dottie Morano,

Ginny Beazley, Andy Beazley

Ushers: (9:00) Ron Fairchild, Adam Fairchild, Michele Krichinsky, Jamie Krichinsky

Acolyte: (11:15) Amelia Dowling

Altar Flowers

The flowers in the **Sanctuary** are given to the Glory of God and in memory of our parents Eric and Hylda Kellenbenz and Mervin and Edith Deardorff by Ted and Sharon Deardorff.

September 29 & 30 Attendance - (5:00) 50 **(7:45)** 28 **(9:00)** 252 **(10:30)** 78 **(TOTAL)** 408

Actual Income vs. Budgeted Income

Year to Date as of 10/1/2012

General Giving Budgeted Income	\$687,909.99	Mortgage Reduction Budgeted Income	\$143,008.77
General Giving Actual Income	\$485,175.31	Mortgage Reduction Actual Income	\$131,719.39
2012 YTD Budgeted Income	\$995,469.01	Total YTD Actual Expenses	\$863,002.50
2012 YTD Actual Income	\$794,813.56	Total YTD Actual Income	\$794,813.56
Budgeted Income Exceeding Actual	(\$200,655.45)	Total Expenses Exceeding Income	(\$ 68,188.94)



Online Giving Available with Your Smartphone



The church office will be closing at 2:00 pm on Thursday,
October 11 to attend Safety Training provided by the
Westminster Police Department. This training is being held for
staff at Grace Lutheran and Shepherd's Staff.



Sun (7) Mark 10:2-16

Mon (8) Psalm 112

Tues (9) Deuteronomy 5:1-21 Weds (10) Deuteronomy 5:22-33

Thurs (11) Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Fri (12) Psalm 90:12-17 Sat (13) Hebrews 4:12-16 Sun (14) Mark 10:17-31



Congregation Council Nominations Being Sought

It's that time of year again!! We are looking for persons who can serve our congregation as members of the Congregation Council. Serving on council provides the opportunity to contribute greatly to the well-being of our congregation. Council members, pastors, and other staff members work together to coordinate the various ministries undertaken by our congregation.

Council meetings are held on the third Monday of each month from 7:00 until approximately 9:30pm. Each council member is also asked to serve as liaison to a committee.

Confirmed members of the congregation are eligible to serve on council. We ask that council members be regular in worship attendance and interested in the ministry of Grace Lutheran Church. Serving on council is more than sitting through business meetings! Serving on council means sharing your faith and gifts in order to strengthen the life of this congregation.

If you are willing to be considered for nomination to the council, please speak with a member of council, or Council President Charlie Beckhardt or one of the pastors. Likewise, if you'd like to suggest someone for nomination, please speak with one of the people listed. We 'd like to have nominations ready for the newsletter so that biographical information can be included in the monthly congregational mailing. Council elections take place on December 2 at our annual congregational meeting.

Please prayerfully consider whether you or someone you know would be a good addition to our council. Grace depends upon volunteers to lead our active ministry. Please consider whether God is calling you at this time to serve as a member of the council.

Nominees are needed to Represent Grace at the 2013 Synod Assembly

Our congregation will elect six confirmed members of Grace to serve as voting members at the synod assembly which will be held in Ocean City on May 30 – June 1, 2013. Voting members must be active members of our congregation, able to devote three days to this task, interested in the ministry of the wider church, and able to provide your own transportation to and from Ocean City. Expenses during the assembly, including housing and meals are covered by the congregation. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please talk with Pastor Martha or Council President Charlie Beckhardt.

WELCA Meeting



The WELCA of Grace will meet on Monday, October 15, 2012 at 1:30 pm in the Library to make favors for our shut-in church members. We also may do some quilting.



Lutheran Church Men Fall Dinner Meeting

The Lutheran Church Men of the Westminster Conference will hold their Fall Dinner Meeting on Monday, October 22 at 6:30 p.m., at St. Luke (Winter's) Lutheran Church near New Windsor. A free-will offering will be received for the meal with \$11.00 expected.

The ladies of the church will be serving a family-style Roast Beef dinner. Following dinner, devotions and a good old fashioned hymn sing will be held in the church nave.

For reservations please contact Ed Leister at 410-848-8640 or use the RCR card. Please register by Sunday, October 7.

Legacy High School Youth Group: Maizefest

Saturday, October 20 the high school youth will be going to River Valley Ranch for their Maizefest! This is an evening event so bring a flashlight! If you are interested in going please let Leanne Elliott know by Sunday October 14 via RCR card or by email or phone [lelliott@gracelc.org, (office) 410.848.7020, (cell) 443.821.4854, or Facebook]! The cost is **\$8 plus money for food and tickets if you want to do other activities**. Check out www.rivervalleyranch.com to find out more! We will meet in the Carroll Street parking lot at **4:30!**

Columbarium Upgrades Have Begun!

Please take a look at the work which is continuing in the Grace Columbarium area on the corner of Carroll Street and Kemper Avenue! We are looking forward to a much more beautiful and peaceful area for those who have loved ones in the columbarium. The improvements are being paid for by a private donation and the Columbarium Fund. No operating or capital improvement monies are being used for this project.

Niches in the Grace Columbarium are available to Grace Lutheran members and their close relatives. The cost of a single niche is \$1,000 and a double niche is \$1,500. When the niche is used, the family pays for the engraving on the stone as well as a \$50 opening fee. Please see Pastor Martha if you are interested in more details or making arrangements to purchase a niche.

Harvest Hoop-Dee-Do

It's October! That means **Harvest Hoop-Dee-Do!** Join the families of Grace on **October 28 from 6-8 p.m.** for a wonderful night of games, a costume parade, and trunk or treating! We will be giving out prizes so make sure to come in your best costume! We are still looking for people to decorate their car trunks! If you are interested please fill out the RCR card! We are asking if you can, to please bring some PEANUT FREE candy that we will distribute throughout the cars that evening!





Friends Helping Friends



Little Friends of Grace is selling discount tickets for Boscov's Friends Helping Friends event which is on Tuesday, October 16. Tickets are \$5 and you will receive 25% off of your sales at Boscov's that day. LFOG keeps all the money from the ticket sales which will benefit our scholarship fund. You may buy tickets from the church office or they will be on sale after the 9:00 service on

Sunday, October 14; or you may contact Anita in the preschool office at 410-848-7020 or aerb@gracelc.org. Thank you for your support.

LFOG Scholarship Fund - Belisimos

Thank you to everyone who joined us at Papa Joe's on Tuesday, October 25; we received \$100 for the scholarship fund! Our next dining out evening will be Wednesday, October 17 at Belisimos in Finksburg from 11:00-9:00. Flyers may be downloaded from the Grace Lutheran website (www.gracelc.org). We hope you can join us!

Young Adult Ministry at J&P - This Thursday!



This Thursday will be the first meeting of our Young Adult Tavern Ministry. We will meet at 7:00 pm at J&P's in the Meadow Creek Shopping Center, Westminster. You are welcome to come eat, drink and join in the discussion of "Life Together" by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. The cost of the book is \$7.50. You may pick up and pay for your book in the



church office beginning Tuesday; they will also be available at the first meeting. Please sign up using the RCR card or contact Vicar Karin at kalbaugh@gracelc.org.

Cold Weather Shelter



It is hard to believe it's time to turn our focus to prepare to serve the homeless in our area at the Cold Weather Shelter. Last year was a huge blessing to so many guests that go to the shelter for a warm place to sleep and a hot meal. Grace will once again be preparing and serving meals every Saturday from November 15 through March 31.

There are many ways to volunteer. We need people to prepare casseroles ahead of time to be cooked at the church and people to serve meals at the shelter. You may prepare casseroles with the recipes provided or use your own favorites as long as they freeze well. Last year we had members that were willing and able to prepare a family-style meal and serve it at the shelter on the same evening. This will allow us to offer our neighbors a larger variety of foods for dinner.

Please join us! The division of cooking and serving allows people who would normally not be able to volunteer because of work or other commitments to become active with those in need. It only takes a few hours per month to make a big difference in the lives of those around you. With supervision, cooking can be a service project for school age children. Contact Sandy Hoff 410-857-1197 or hoffy1015@comcast.net or Jodi Beal 410-259-4170 or jodibeac@aol.com or use the RCR card.

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, PFC Tyler Czarnowsky, Steve Haines, Jonathan Jones, Nathan Karlson, Jeff Kelly, 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

<u>Continuing Prayers:</u> Aunt Sharon, Mary and Family, Patty Baier, Irene Bailey, Cathy Barnes, Dennis Baumgardner, Brian Bowersox, Sandi Bowman, Troy Bowman, Shirley Boyle, Sharon Brewbaker, Barbara Caples, Ken Gist, Brenda Haines, Mary Krempin, Michael Landy, Wilda Miller, Ed Pinder, Anna Spittel

Seminarians: Beth Clementson, Laura Heller

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.

Mark Your Calendar ...

Wednesday, November 21	7:00pm	Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service
Sunday, November 25	3:00 – 6:00pm	Annual Congregational Advent Event – Something for all ages!
Saturday, December 1	9:30 – 3:30pm	Advent Retreat Day, "Praying with Water Colors" led by Karen Brown
Sunday, December 2	10:00am	All Grace Service followed by Annual Congregational Meeting
Wednesday, December 5	10:00am	Christmas Organ Concert by Ted Dix and Friends
Friday, December 7	6:30 – 8:30pm	Quiet Evening
Sunday, December 16	3:00pm	Christmas Cantata

Annual Reports Due October 26



Please note that committee and ministry reports for 2012 are due no later than Friday, October 26. If at all possible, please submit your information in a Word document. Reports should be emailed to Dawn at dstem@gracelc.org.