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Deadline for *November*

**Grace Notes is Tuesday,
October 16. Please email
your news to Dawn –
dstem@gracelc.org or
stop by the office during
office hours (8:30 am to
3:30 pm).**

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Our hearts are restless until they find rest in you ...

St. Augustine Hippo

In a lecture by William Cavanaugh, Senior Research Professor, Center for World Catholicism and Intercultural Theology, DePaul University, Dr. Cavanaugh noted that consumerism isn't about having something more it is rather about having something else. Consumerism is the label attributed to our present culture. Our current age is not defined by what we produce but rather by how we consume. I was taken by the professor's reflection that we are not so much driven by greed (a desire to possess more) instead we are driven by consumerism (a desire to have something else). This is a lifestyle of restlessness; the constant desire for something else. There is that old expression that "the grass is always greener on the other side of the fence." Perhaps we have reached an unfortunate place where it doesn't matter if the grass is greener only that it is different grass.

In a recent conversation with a former parishioner who contacted me after twenty years, I learned of her struggle to find a permanent congregation. She commented about moving from congregation to congregation every year or so and discovering that she keeps bumping into many other families who are doing the same thing; nomadic Christians who are always restlessly looking for something different. Dr. Cavanaugh points out that this sort of restlessness results in a detachment from others and from community. In the last decade of the twentieth century and into the twenty-first century the Christian Church in America has suffered loss in membership. The odd thing is that there has been a tremendous growth in churches; seemingly a new church popping up every time you look around. The distressing nature of all these new churches is that they very seldom reach out to the truly unchurched. Most growth is the result of nomadic Christians restlessly moving from one community to the next. Yes, there are times when a person/family indeed finds that a move is necessary and a change is indeed needed. What is not healthy is when people merely move on because of that nagging sense that it is time for a change.

Sociologists who study the life of congregations and their members point out that it indeed takes time to become engaged in the life of a congregation. In the realm of stewardship it is well documented that it also takes several years before a

member becomes a confident financial supporter of the community of faith to which they belong. Many new growth churches understand that most of their members will not become very engaged in the life and ministry of the congregation so the goal is to garner lots of people who give just a little bit of their time, their talent and their financial support; knowing that in the next few years many of these members will have moved on. The painful side of this new era in the Christian Church is that so many people do not have a sense of truly belonging or being invested in the ministries of a community of faith. Often times, established congregations are vilified as being stodgy, musty places that have nothing to offer the new generation. Yet it often is these established communities of faith who perform the lion's

share of ministry in feeding the poor and maintaining the ministries that provide key resources in addressing the needs of the world's most vulnerable people. Near and dear to my heart is the Lutheran Service in America that represents over 300 agencies that provide over \$18 billion in care and services to approximately 1 in every 50 Americans. This doesn't include the work done in local congregations like Grace that provides over 10,000 meals each year to the hungry of Westminster and are key contributors to the great work of Shepherd's Staff; nor does it take into account the work done in caring for the hungry throughout the world.

A consumer perspective of the Church asks the question: what's in it for me? Such a question is usually followed up with a secondary question: I wonder what another church might have to offer? I believe that we must all learn to move beyond this consumer mentality of religion to that place where we ask: can I find a place here in which I can serve the Lord? Truth is, on any given day, there will always be some church that will have a better band or better organ or softer pews or better pastors.

I believe that the search of any child of God is to find a place within the Body of Christ and to discover a community of faith where one can give expression to God's love by serving the needs of others in the name of our Risen Lord. It is time for us all to stop searching and start serving for the lost are crying out that someone might hear their cries and come to their aid. Until we reject this notion of consumerism and embrace a life of servanthood, I fear the cries of the needy will go unheard.

Peace, Pastor Kevin Clementson



Traditional Music Notes

by Ted Dix, Director

Organist and Director of Traditional Music and Music Ministry Development



If you have musical ability a fine way to contribute to the life of our church would be to join one of our vocal or instrumental ensembles. If you are worried about time commitment know that the Festival Choir only meets for about 6 weeks for Christmas. Also, the Christmas Band only meets for about 4 weeks. The other choirs run more continuously but the commitment can be organized into shorter goals. Please consider being a part of the music life at Grace!

Rehearsal Schedule:

- Mondays from 7pm to 8:30pm – Agape Handbell Choir in the Music Room.
- Wednesdays from 5:45pm to 6:15pm – Luther Choir (grades 1-6) in the Music Room.
- Thursdays from 7pm to 8:30pm – Chancel Choir in the Music Room.

Upcoming Traditional Musical Events:

- Wednesday, December 5 at 10am – Annual Ted Dix and Friends Christmas Organ Recital in the Sanctuary.
- Sunday, December 16 at 3pm – Luther and Festival Choirs, with Soloists, Instrumentalists, and Narrators, will be performing our annual Christmas Cantata in Grace Hall.

New Young Adult Group

by Vicar Karin Albaugh



A new group is forming! Young adults are invited to join us as we begin a new ministry. We will meet at J&P Pizza (in the Shoppes at Meadow Creek) on Thursday, October 11 starting at 7 p.m. We will meet each 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month for fellowship and Bible study! Please come and be a part of this new venture!



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRIES

by Leanne Elliott

Horizon Ministry

Horizon is Grace's new social ministry for 6th-8th grade students. This is different from both Confirmation & Sunday School. The Youth & Family Committee recognizes that our middle school students are split between two Christian Education programs and we want to provide events that will bridge them. Horizon will host quarterly events centered on fellowship.

Horizon Ministry: 100 Wells Tour

Did you donate your change to the 100 Wells Project? VBC 2012 collected monies and the congregation came together raising money for the project. Now is your chance to do something with all the money we've collected! On **Sunday, October 7 at 3 p.m.** we will be traveling to St. James Lutheran Church in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania for the 100 Wells Tour! This is a concert featuring Agape*, Rachel Kurtz, and Lost and Found. For just \$5 you can join us for this fun afternoon where we will take a check with all the money Grace has raised and place it in the offering at the concert! After the concert we will be stopping for **Pizza** so remember to bring some extra money with you! RSVP through the RCR card at weekend worship services or to Leanne Elliott! [Email: l Elliott@gracelc.org Cell: 443.821.4854 Office: 410.848.7020]

Legacy High School Youth Group: Maizefest

Who doesn't like getting lost in a field of corn?!?! On **Saturday, October 20 at 4:30** we will be taking the high school students up to River Valley Ranch for their Maizefest! There is a lot to do at River Valley Ranch so you won't be bored! The cost is only **\$8** but we do ask that you bring along some money [cash] for food and if you wish to purchase additional tickets for some of the activities like the Pumpkin Launch! RSVP to Leanne Elliott by October 14! [Email: l Elliott@gracelc.org Cell: 443.821.4854 Office: 410.848.7020 or Facebook]

Harvest Hoop-Dee-Do – October 28, 6-8pm

Put on your costume and head to Grace for our annual Harvest Hoop-Dee-Do party! We will enjoy fall-themed games in Grace Hall and have a costume parade before heading outside to enjoy trunk-or-treating. Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate the season and fellowship with your friends here at Grace!



Heifer International

As of September 11, 2012,
the balance of the Heifer
International Fund is \$1,260.10.



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

Little Friends of Grace Preschool News

by Anita Erb, Director



Start of School

The school year began on September 4 with 111 students enrolled which was seven more children than last year! We have two 2-day two-year old classes, two 2-day three-year old classes, one 3-day three-year old class, and three pre-K classes. We now have increased hours from 9:00-12:00 and one of the pre-K classes is now from 9:00-2:00 MWF. The children and teachers seem to be transitioning well to the longer days.

Parent Night

We will invite our parents to school the evenings of October 1, 2 & 3. This will be for adults only as our teachers will inform parents of the daily routine of the classroom.

Fundraiser

Little Friends of Grace is participating in the Boscov's Friends Helping Friends Event. We will be selling tickets for \$5.00 each which entitles you to a coupon for 25% off one day of shopping on October 16. Please call the preschool office if you have any questions.

Dining Out Evenings

We plan to schedule various dining out evenings throughout the school year. Our first one was held on Tuesday, September 25 at Papa Joe's in Westminster. Some of our other locations have been Chick-fil-A, Baugher's and Five Guys. All proceeds will benefit the Scholarship fund at Little Friends. We hope you can join us!

Campbell's Soup Labels

We continue to collect Campbell's soup labels. Please note that Campbell's now requires the UPC number and not the front labels. If you use any of these products, please cut and pass on to the preschool.

Field Trips

The pre-K classes went to Explore & More Children's Museum on September 26, 27 & 28. This trip ends our Welcome to School unit. Sergeant Benfer will visit the pre-K classes on October 3 and then they will head to Pleasant Valley Fire Station on October 11 and 12.

The three-year old classes will have a visit from firefighter Lucas Geiman on October 2 and 3; they will complete the busy week with a trip to Bear Branch on October 4 and 5.

Chapel Time

Our pre-K classes will visit the sanctuary beginning in September. Pastor Martha will visit the three-year old classes in November and then the three's will go to the sanctuary beginning in January. What a wonderful opportunity this is for our preschool children.

Many fun things are happening at preschool! Little Friends of Grace is appreciative of the continued support of the congregation.

Christ in Our Home Booklets

The next quarter (October – December 2012) of Christ in Our Home booklets are now available. The books are located in the gathering spaces and literature racks of the church. Feel free to pick your copy up today!

Women of the ELCA

by Helen Englar

WELCA Cluster Meeting

The Westminster Cluster Women's Organization of the Women of the ELCA will hold their fall meeting on Saturday morning, September 29, 2012 at 9:30 am at Lazarus Lutheran Church, 5101 South Church Street, Lineboro, MD.

The agenda will be as follows:

9:30 – Registration with light continental breakfast

10:00 – Devotions, St. Mark's, Snydersburg Lutheran Women

10:15 – Program – Come and join us as we celebrate the 25 years of Women of the ELCA.

Linda Chinnia, Assistant to the Bishop, will be the guest speaker and provide highlights of the last 25 years of WELCA.



We encourage you to attend and bring a friend of two! Let's have a great turnout! **Please note this year the date is earlier than in previous years.** We hope to see you on the 29th!

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.

Quiet Evenings: Sanctuary, Reflection, Spiritual Practice

by Sharon Glass



Give yourself permission for some quiet time to reconnect with The Holy.

WHAT: "Quiet Evenings: Sanctuary, Reflection, Spiritual Practice" Seasonal Offerings at Grace Lutheran Church

WHEN: Friday, October 5, 6:30-8:30 pm

WHERE: Grace Lutheran Church Sanctuary

WHO: Quiet Evenings are for anyone who wants to step away from the busyness of their life and be present with God.

WHY: To listen and respond authentically to God's calling in your life away from life's distractions and interruptions.

ADDITIONAL INFO: There is no fee, although there will be a basket for donations, and we ask that you let us know that you will attend so we are able to plan accordingly. If you would like to register for the first Evening, please email Dawn Stem at dstem@gracelc.org with the following information. You may also provide your information on an RCR card during weekend worship services.

Name, Email, Phone (Please indicate cell/home/work--best number to reach you/leave a message)

Join our classes during the 10:15 am Christian Education hour on September 23 and September 30 to become familiar with Lectio Divina and Journaling which will be used on this first Quiet Evening.

For more information, call Sharon Glass at 410-259-8947, or talk with Katy Stanton or Judy Reilly (members of the Adult Education Committee subcommittee on Quiet Evenings).

Annual Stewardship Campaign

In the November newsletter you will be asked to provide an estimate of your personal support for the ministries of Grace Lutheran Church. The campaign will be very simple this year because of limited financial resources. The good news is that careful planning and budgeting in recent years has been the overall commitment of the leadership of Grace; we have made it our goal to strive to live within our means. However the other news is that the ministries of our congregation and the maintenance of our facilities are dependent upon your faithful contributions. Please consider using online giving as means to consistent and regular financial support.



Online Giving

Automate your weekly giving simply by going online to www.gracelc.org click on the button for "Online Giving." You will be taken to a secure site where you setup a plan for automatic transfer of funds from your credit card or your checking and/or savings account to the church's bank account. Participation in this program is a convenience that eliminates the need to remember your personal offering envelope each week and helps provide consistent contributions for the ministries at Grace. Through online giving you will also have the means to manage your contributions if you want to give more or feel a need to reduce your level of support without having to go through the church office for assistance.

Do you have a Smart Phone? You can scan the image to the right to take advantage of giving via electronic contributions to the ministries of our Congregation. This QR code will take you to our church's online site where you can setup a regular plan for giving or make a one-time contribution.



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 during weekend worship services. Please register by Sunday, October 7.

Grace Art Gallery



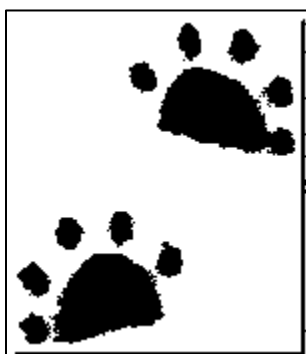
We are looking for pieces of art, including photographs, to hang in our Gallery right outside of Grace Hall. Installation will be the first week of November. Please contact Donna Yarish at 410-848-0444 or fill out the RCR card during weekend worship services for additional information.



New Artwork Needed!



Timmy, the Terrible Hunger Terrapin



Timmy's Corner

Well summer is coming to an end if you hadn't noticed. There are less children throwing stuff into our ponds (homes to you) and we do appreciate it. I guess fishing will soon be curtailed also as children get back to school and the worms will feel more secure too.

How was your summer this year? I understand the children at Grace and others raised \$375.00 towards the One Hundred Wells project of ELCA. I think everyone that helped out should feel good knowing they have helped many families to get clean drinking water like they have.

I also heard some parts of the country suffered from those pesky mosquitoes and many people got sick. It's a shame that the little varmints can't be stopped once and for all, in the entire world. Some healthier people just get sick from the bite, but many others died, especially the young in other parts of the world. I know you and I have a purpose in life from the great creator but what was the thought process behind those little blood suckers. They must be helpful in some way other than food for frogs, fish and water beauties like me. Have you thought of any way in which you could fight the continual attack of those winged varmints that long for your type A or B bloods? Next month, if the weather doesn't drive me in the mud till spring, I might have a couple of suggestions for you and others. Until then...

Take care, be safe out there and summer's end...
Timmy

Cold Weather Shelter

by Sandy Hoff

It is starting to get cold outside and many of the homeless people in Westminster are already talking about the Cold Weather Shelter. Last year, the Social Ministry Committee planned volunteer teams to prepare and serve weekly meals for the 30 plus men and women who call the shelter home from November 15 – March 31.

We need people to prepare food ahead of time and bring it to the church. We also need volunteers to heat the food and serve it at the shelter. You may prepare casseroles with the recipes provided or use your own favorites as long as they freeze well. This year we are also seeking volunteers who would like to cook and serve on the same day. 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 need only be 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 during weekend worship services. Please provide the best mode (phone or email) for us to contact you.



Legacy Circle of Grace



By the time you receive this newsletter, the Stewardship Committee together with the Legacy Circle of Grace Committee will have hosted their first “Planning for Today and Tomorrow” presentation by Damian Halstad and Neal Hoffman from the firm of Hoffman, Comfort, Offutt, Scott & Halstad, LLP. This informational presentation covered the importance of having a Will, a Durable Power of Attorney, and an Advanced Medical Directive. **Additional informational presentations are being scheduled for the Spring and Fall of 2013.**

Our current group of Legacy Circle of Grace Members will be attending the First Annual Celebration Dinner on Saturday, October 13, 2012 at 6 pm. We hope that you will consider joining the Legacy Circle of Grace in the coming year. You can remain anonymous as a member. If you need information on becoming a member of Legacy Circle of Grace, pick up one of the brochures, talk with the Pastors, ask any council member, or Legacy Circle of Grace Committee member (George Conover, Karen Ganjon, Neal Hoffman, Don Ludwig, and Ed Leister).

Be Blessed!

More about the History of Grace Lutheran Church

by Karen Ganjon

Many of you know that the Lutheran Church and parsonage and one dwelling on Carroll Street were consumed by a great fire on April 9-10, 1883. It was truly a trying ordeal for the Lutherans who had, but a few years before, made final payment on their church.

Besides the church, which altogether had cost the congregation \$22,000, and on which there was but \$5,000 insurance: \$900 worth of the Sunday school was destroyed, though most of the library was saved. The value of the parsonage was about \$2,500, on which there is an insurance of \$1,500 in the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Carroll County. The Rev. Kuhns' loss is unknown and his insurance is but \$200. (Source: Grace Lutheran Church, A House Built on Wisdom 1867-1967)

But what you may not know is that four days after the fire, a committee was appointed to solicit subscriptions for the erection of a new parsonage. On September 10, 1883, just 5 months after the fire, the Pastor and his family moved into the new parsonage. Rev. Kuhns was very earnest in soliciting contributions towards the erection of the church and succeeded in raising \$4,000. The contract for building the new church was given to Jacob F. Elgin, a member of Grace Church.

The cornerstone was laid August 19, 1883 by Rev. Kuhns. The Sunday school room was first finished and services held in it on Christmas Sunday, December 25, 1883. On October 26, 1884, the church was completed and solemnly consecrated to the worship of Almighty God. The Rev. F. W. Conrad, D.D. of Philadelphia, preached the dedicatory sermon.

Time for reflection

Can you imagine how devastated the members of the congregation must have been to see their church and parsonage lying in ashes? Would you have been willing to be a member of the committee to solicit subscriptions for the erection of the new parsonage? Does it surprise you that the parsonage was erected 5 months after the devastating fire? On October 16, 1884, what scripture passage would you have selected for the dedication? What would your prayer for the church have been at the dedication service?

October Calendar of Events

MONDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2012

6:00 pm Cub Scouts Pack 393 (102, 104, 105, 106, 111, 112)
 7:00 pm Agape Handbell Rehearsal (MR)
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop 393 (101A/101B)
 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry – Visiting Angels Presentation (FH)
 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Meeting (107, 108)
 8:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2012

12:00 pm Table of Grace Soup Kitchen (FH, T)
 5:00 pm Children’s Chorus Rehearsal (FH, T, 101A/101B)
 7:00 pm Property Committee Meeting (108)
 7:00 pm Shepherd Staff Board Meeting (107)
 7:00 pm Social Ministry Committee Meeting (LGS)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2012

12:00 pm Brown Bag Bible Study (CLV)
 5:00 pm TOPS Weight Loss Club (109/110)
 5:45 pm Luther Choir Rehearsal (MR)
 7:30 pm Praise Band/Singers Practice (GH)
 7:30 pm Men’s Bible Study (Johansson’s)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2012

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 Youth & Family Ministries Meeting (108)
 7:00 pm New Beginnings NA Meeting (109/110)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2012

6:30 am Men’s Breakfast & Bible Conversation (Bob Evans)
 6:30 pm Quiet Evening (S, FH, LGS, UGS)
 8:00 pm Turning Point AA Meeting (109/110)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2012

8:00 am Men’s Prayer Breakfast (GH, FH, UGS)
 9:00 am First Communion Class (109/110)
 5:00 pm Fair Trade Coffee Sale (LGS)
 5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2012

7:30 am Fair Trade Coffee Sale (LGS)
 7:45 am Traditional Worship (S)
 9:00 am Adult Sunday School (L)
 9:00 am Praise Worship (GH)
 10:15 am Christian Education Hour (various)
 11:15 am Traditional Worship (S)
 2:00 pm Financial Peace Seminar (T, FH, L)
 3:00 pm Children’s Chorus Rehearsal (MR)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2012

6:00 pm Cub Scouts Pack 393 (102, 104, 105, 106, 111, 112)
 6:00 pm Girl Scouts Pack 307 (FH)
 7:00 pm Agape Handbell Rehearsal (MR)
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop 393 (101A/101B)
 8:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2012

12:00 pm Table of Grace Soup Kitchen (FH, T)
 5:00 pm Children’s Chorus Rehearsal (FH, T, 101A/101B)
 7:00 pm Adult Education Committee Meeting (Parlor)
 7:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (L)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2012

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 Taking the War Out of Our Words (FH)
 7:30 pm Praise Band/Singers Practice (GH)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2012

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 Finance Committee Meeting (108)
 7:00 pm Thursday Evening Book Club (L)
 7:00 pm New Beginnings NA Meeting (109/110)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2012

6:30 am Men’s Breakfast & Bible Conversation (Bob Evans)
 8:00 pm Turning Point AA Meeting (109/110)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2012

9:00 am First Communion Class (109/110)
 5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2012

7:45 am Traditional Worship (S)
 9:00 am Adult Sunday School (L)
 9:00 am Praise Worship (GH)
 10:15 am Christian Education Hour (various)
 11:15 am Traditional Worship (S)
 2:00 pm Financial Peace Seminar (T, FH, L)
 3:00 pm Children’s Chorus Rehearsal (MR)
 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Meeting (107)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2012

1:30 pm WELCA Meeting (L)
 6:00 pm Cub Scouts Pack 393 (102, 104, 105, 106, 111, 112)
 7:00 pm Agape Handbell Rehearsal (MR)
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop 393 (101A/101B)
 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting (108)
 8:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2012

12:00 pm Table of Grace Soup Kitchen (FH, T)
 5:00 pm Children’s Chorus Rehearsal (FH, T, 101A/101B)
 7:00 pm Christian Education Committee Meeting (107)

(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

October Calendar of Events (continued)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2012

12:00 pm Brown Bag Bible Study (CLV)
 5:00 pm TOPS Weight Loss Club (109/110)
 5:45 pm Luther Choir Rehearsal (MR)
 7:30 pm Praise Band/Singers Practice (GH)
 7:30 pm Men's Bible Study (Johansson's)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2012

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 New Beginnings NA Meeting (109/110)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2012

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

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2012

10:00 am Worship & Music Committee Meeting (Parlor)
 5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2012

7:45 am Traditional Worship (S)
 9:00 am Adult Sunday School (L)
 9:00 am Praise Worship (GH)
 10:15 am Christian Education Hour (various)
 11:15 am Traditional Worship (S)
 2:00 pm Financial Peace Seminar (T, FH, L)
 3:00 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (MR)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2012

6:00 pm Cub Scouts Pack 393 (102, 104, 105, 106, 111, 112)
 6:00 pm Girl Scouts Pack 307 (FH)
 7:00 pm Agape Handbell Rehearsal (MR)
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop 393 (101A/101B)
 8:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2012

12:00 pm Table of Grace Soup Kitchen (FH, T)
 5:00 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (FH, T, 101A/101B)
 7:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (L)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2012

12:00 pm Brown Bag Bible Study (CLV)
 5:00 pm TOPS Weight Loss Club (109/110)
 5:45 pm Luther Choir Rehearsal (MR)
 7:30 pm Praise Band/Singers Practice (GH)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2012

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 26, 2012

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

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2012

9:00 am Red Cross Adult First Aid/CPR/AED (108)
 5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)
 5:30 pm Good News Prison Ministry Banquet (GH, UGS, FH)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2012

7:45 am Traditional Worship (S)
 9:00 am Adult Sunday School (L)
 9:00 am Praise Worship (GH)
 10:15 am Christian Education Hour (various)
 11:15 am Traditional Worship (S)
 2:00 pm Financial Peace Seminar (T, FH, L)
 3:00 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (MR)
 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Meeting (107)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2012

6:00 pm Cub Scouts Pack 393 (102, 104, 105, 106, 111, 112)
 7:00 pm Agape Handbell Rehearsal (MR)
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop 393 (101A/101B)
 8:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2012

12:00 pm Table of Grace Soup Kitchen (FH, T)
 5:00 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (FH, T, 101A/101B)
 5:30 pm Shepherd Staff Board Meeting (108)
 7:00 pm Evangelism Committee Meeting (LGS)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2012

12:00 pm Brown Bag Bible Study (CLV)
 5:00 pm TOPS Weight Loss Club (109/110)
 5:45 pm Luther Choir Rehearsal (MR)
 7:30 pm Praise Band/Singers Practice (GH)



October Altar Guild
 SANCTUARY – Doris Hare and Elissa Streaker
 GRACE HALL – Cyndy Beckhardt

October Worship Leaders & Assistants

OCTOBER 6-7, 2012

5:00 pm – Vicar Karin Albaugh

7:45 am – Pat Goldberg

9:00 am – Rachel Fairchild

Communion Assistants: Ginny Beazley, Andy Beazley, Don Meyers, Beth Meyers, Kim Meyers

Ushers: Perry Crawl, Nancy Taylor, Janet Harrison, Bill Comegna

11:15 am – Rich Schuster

OCTOBER 13-14, 2012

5:00 pm – Bob Lichtfuss, Maddie Lichtfuss

7:45 am – Dena Hodges

9:00 am – Laura Heller

Communion Assistants: Janet Bowersox, Pete Morano, Dottie Morano, Harold Murphy, JoAnn Murphy

Ushers: Ron Fairchild, Rachel Fairchild, Adam Fairchild, Matthew Fairchild

11:15 am – Greg Hare



OCTOBER 20-21, 2012

5:00 pm – Carol Ann Bauman, Arthur Pease

7:45 am – Caroline Babylon

9:00 am – Michele Krichinsky

Communion Assistants: Rich Chaney, Bill Comegna, Chad Plendl, Kim Eckenrode, Ted Forman

Ushers: Don Hodges, Dena Hodges, Brooke Hodges, Katie Brennan

11:15 am – Charlie Beckhardt, **Reader:** Jake Beckhardt

OCTOBER 27-28, 2012

5:00 pm – Lisa Turner

7:45 am – Susan Tabatsko

9:00 am – Ron Fairchild

Communion Assistants: Vicar Karin Albaugh, Nancy Crews, Steve Crews, Stacie Dowling, Amelia Dowling, Sue Roach

Ushers: Jocelyn Spreitzer, Sandra Harrison, Les Null, Brian Sherfey

11:15 am – Kara Schuster



October Birthdays

October 1

Adams, Marcia
Schoenberger, Virginia

October 2

Grigg, Isabelle
Kessler, Brianna
Kozlowski, Laura
Marley, Camryn

October 3

Bittner, Megan
Lichtfuss, Grace

October 4

Babylon, Evelyn
Buttner, Samuel
DeRita, Ronnie
Jones, Louise
Roth, Cheryl

October 5

Eyler, William
Heller, Laura
Spencer, Judy

October 6

Serghini, Barbara

October 7

Benton, Pat
Stauffer, Elias

October 8

Bair, Harvey
Bradfield, Kaitlyn
Harris, Megan
Pogue, Diana
Yeakel, Jean

October 9

Doermann, Al
Gordon, Thomas
Guerra, Joseph
Lockard, Nathaniel

October 10

Dixon, Pam
Leese, Dorothy

October 11

Border, Ted
Clementson, Kevin
Croft, Barbara
Haydu, Louise
Nixon, Clayton

October 12

Bradfield, John
Eppler, Frederick
Lewis, Denise

October 13

Day, Alexa
Gregory, Jheri
Kessler, Tina

October 14

Bitzel, Alex
DeGreif, Andrea
Jacobson, Jennifer
Spears, Howard
Vietz, Paul

October 15

Charnley, Barbara
Fowler, Henry
Hoff, Haley
Martin, Monica

October 16

Fendlay, Kelsey
Oddis, Michael

October 17

Cimbalista, Hunter
DeCosmo, Rachel
Kent, Donna
Roth, David

October 18

Wampler, Mary
Frances

October 19

Alisauckas, Jeff
Barnes, Harry
Lienhard, Kathryn
Rouch, Gloria-Jean
Selby, Jeffrey
Steers, Lauren

October 20

Shultz, Megan
Strevig, Brinlee

October 21

Moreland, Julie
Pringle, Aime
Seney, Dolores
Stanton, Burke

October 22

Stiles, Eric

October 23

Beck, Miriam
Becker, Glenn
Denton, Barbara
Hare, Greg
Huffman, Lara

October 24

Fordi, Claire

October 25

Kurland, Aiden

October 26

Bowersox, Paul
Goetz, Gary
Paulsen, Will
Scooco, Megan

October 27

Lockard, Alice

October 28

Border, Carley
Daumant, Adolf
Gist, Ryan
Nixon, Jared

October 29

Byers, Jon-David
Nelson, Layten
Zayed, Adam

October 30

Mays, Nichole

October 31

Eppler, Donna
McGinnis, Lois
Mens, Nicole
Piisila, Erik

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

Continuing Prayers: Cathy Barnes, Heather Barnes, Marion Bauman, Dennis Baumgardner, Brian Bowersox, Shirley Boyle, Sharon Brewbaker, Dottie Clark, Rocky & Bonnie Davis, Millie Haenftling, Patricia Heath, Vaughn & Jamie Ireland, Mary Krempin, Michael Landy, Sandy Long, Wilda Miller, Poe Myers, Ed Pinder, Evelyn Roys, Anna Spittel, Connie Whitson, Linda Yingling

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.



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