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GRACE NOTES

The monthly newsletter of Grace Lutheran Church
21 Carroll Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157
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December, 2012

Advent – Christmas 2012



Congregational Advent Gathering – Sunday, November 25 3:00-6:00 PM

Activities for children and adults of all ages. Crafts, music, fair-trade products and much, much more!! Light dinner is offered.

All Grace Worship and Annual Congregational Meeting – Sunday, December 2

10:00 All Grace Worship Service celebrates the First Sunday of Advent

Congregational Meeting follows immediately after worship.

(Saturday 5:00 Worship Service also will take place.)

4th Annual Christmas Concert by Ted Dix – Wednesday, December 5 10:00 AM

“Carols from Around the World” Soup and Salad Lunch follows immediately. Concert is free; lunch is \$5 per person.

Christmas Cantata – Sunday, December 16 3:00 PM

“Night of Wonder” features instrumentalists, narrators, soloists, Luther and Festival Choirs and Akaloo kids. A reception will follow.

Grace Boomers Christmas Party – Saturday, December 22 7:00 PM

This year’s party is hosted by Aime and Jeff Pringle. It is open to all adults.

Please bring a side or dessert to share. RSVP needed.

Christmas Eve Worship Services – Monday, December 24

12:00 Noon, 8:00 PM (Candle light), **10:30 PM** (Candle light) – in the Sanctuary

4:00 PM (Especially for children), **6:00 PM** (Candle light) – in Grace Hall

All Grace Service of Readings and Carols – Sunday, December 30 10:00 AM

(Saturday 5:00 Worship Service will also center on Readings and Carols)

New Year’s Eve Worship and Pot-luck Dinner – Monday, December 31 6:30 PM

Members, Friends, and Guests of Grace Lutheran are invited to share in all of these events. Details about each event can be found in the Weekly Announcements, *Grace Notes*, and at www.gracelc.org.



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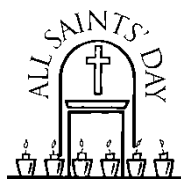
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Deadline for *January*

Grace Notes is Tuesday, December 11. Please email your news to Dawn Stem – dstem@gracelc.org or stop by the office during office hours (8:30 am to 3:30 pm).

GRACE NOTES IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE. CHECK IT OUT!

[HTTP://GRACELC.ORG/NEWS/GRACE-NOTES/](http://gracelc.org/news/grace-notes/)

**All Saints Sunday Recognition**

On All Saints Sunday we remembered in prayer members of our congregation who died during the past year as well as those who by baptism became members of the kingdom of God here at Grace.

The following individuals were called from our community of faith to their eternal home: Jane Wolfe, Edna Rohrer, Evelyn Grimes, Philip Neugebauer, Edward Cason, Thelma Schlerf, Burnell Rosenberg, Joan Matthews Bair, Lavina Eckenrode, Margaret Zepp, Terry Jenkins, Virginia Good, James Osborne, Tim Cooke, Gertrude Donovan, and Thelma Lightner.

The following individuals were baptized into the promise of God's ever-present care: Owen Burk, Logan Fryatt, Joseph Guerra, Sullivan Gray, Zachary Hebden, Parker Drgos, Clayton Langevin, Camden Zepp, Elle Louise London, Parker Lueking, Zachary Bowersox, Maddison Bowersox, and Alex Venanzi.

Women of the ELCA

by Helen Englar

The WELCA of Grace will join the Brown Bag Bible Study at 12 noon on Wednesday, December 12 for a Christmas meeting at Carroll Lutheran Village. The program will be on Christmas Sharing. Elissa Streaker will lead the meeting. Please bring a lunch and something to drink. If you need transportation, call Helen Englar at 410-848-3874.



Funeral Luncheons

by Alice Lockard

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the many volunteers who donate food and time to make Funeral Luncheons possible. For the years of 2011 and 2012, eleven luncheons have occurred and 600 people, representing families and friends of the deceased, have been served. If you would like to donate food or help in anyway and are not on our list, please contact one of the co-chairmen.

Also there is a growing concern for the hard use our kitchen and equipment continually receives. Because of this concern, a Kitchen Fund has been established and we want the congregation to know that donations to the fund would be greatly appreciated.

The co-chairmen of the committee are Alice Lockard (410-848-8244), Debbie Null (410-848-1454) and Judy Spencer (410-848-8566).

**Heifer International**

As of November 13, 2012,
the balance of the
Heifer International Fund is \$1,304.41.



**Christmas Greetings
From the
Pastors and Staff
Of
Grace Lutheran Church**



**May the peace of Christ
transform our hearts
and our world.**

Sam Dunkley

*Dawn Stem
Anita Kubi*

*Shirley
Keeper
Vicar
Harris Albright*

Arthur Rase

Joanne Elliott

Red Dyer

Kenee Brewer

Pastor Keen

*Angela Procorio
Ronald Weyer*

Pastor Martha

*Erk
Pisila*

Traditional Music Notes

by Ted Dix

Organist and Director of Traditional Music and Music Ministry Development

A Merry Christmas to all of you from all the directors and choir members of
Grace Lutheran Church Music Ministry!

4th Annual Christmas Organ Recital



The 4th Annual Christmas Organ Recital will be held on Wednesday, December 5 at 10am in the Sanctuary. The theme this year is "Carols from Around the World" and will feature solo organ arrangements of carols and Christmas readings from around the globe. Although early in the season this recital always helps begin to bring the Christmas spirit into our hearts. Don't miss what is catching on to become a very popular event! This year a Soup and Salad Lunch will follow immediately the concert. It will be held in Grace's Fellowship Hall and is \$5 per person. If you would like to attend, please sign up using an RCR card at worship.

Christmas Cantata

This year's Christmas Cantata, *Night of Wonder*, by Jay Althouse and Sally K. Albrecht, will be performed on Sunday, December 16 at 3pm in Grace Hall. It will feature instrumentalists, narrators, soloists, Luther and Festival Choirs and Akaloo kids. Come and join us as we musically trace the journey from the Advent prophesy to the annunciation of Mary and from the birth of Jesus to the heavenly angel host proclaiming, "Glory to God in the highest."



Upcoming Traditional Musical Events

- Sunday, December 2 at 10am – Luther Choir will be performing at All Grace Worship in Grace Hall.
- Wednesday, December 5 at 10am – Annual Ted Dix and Friends Christmas Organ Recital in the Sanctuary.
- Sunday, December 9 at 9am – Agape Handbell Choir will perform at worship in Grace Hall.
- Sunday, December 16 at 3pm – Luther and Festival Choirs, with Soloists, Instrumentalists, and Narrators, will be performing our annual Christmas Cantata in Grace Hall.
- Monday, December 24 at 4pm – The Luther Choir will be performing at Christmas Eve worship in Grace Hall.
- Monday, December 24 at 8pm and 10:30pm – The Chancel and Agape Handbell Choirs, and soloists, will be performing at Christmas Eve worship in the Sanctuary.

Are you a Young Adult?

by Vicar Karin Albaugh

Come join us for lively conversation as we build relationships! Our Young Adult Ministry meets at J&P Pizza (in the Shoppes at Meadow Creek) each 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. for fellowship and Christian conversation. Please join us as we continue our discussion of Dietrich Bonhoeffer's "Life Together." Books are free for participants and are available at the church office or from Vicar Karin. Please come and be a part of this growing community!



Personal Notes

In Memoriam:

We would like to express our condolences to the following families who lost a loved one recently:



The Futrell Family on the loss of Miriam's mother (Elisabeth Reinhard) on June 28, 2012
The Bachtel Family on the loss of Randy's father on September 13, 2012
The Eckenrode Family on the loss of Mike's sister (Sharon Brewbaker) on October 27, 2012
The Rehak Family on the loss of Bob's father (Matthew Rehak) on October 30, 2012
The Gilbert Family on the loss of Mandy's father (Robert Drews) on November 8, 2012



Little Friends of Grace Preschool News

by Anita Erb, Director

Christmas Parties

All of our classes will be celebrating the Christmas season with songs and parties afterward. Our Christmas programs and parties will be held December 13 and 14 along with December 18 – 21. Our two-year olds will be singing and celebrating in their classroom while the three-year old and pre-K four-year old classes will be visiting the sanctuary for their programs.

Community Service

As a community service project, we collected foods during the month of November for Carroll Food Sunday. Our first week was Italian foods followed by breakfast foods, fruit and ending with vegetables and soup. We also will be collecting mittens and hats for Shepherd's Staff. We would like to thank all the families who contributed to this cause.

Christmas Vacation

Little Friends of Grace will be closed from December 24 through January 1. School will reopen on January 2.

2013/2014 Registration

We will begin registration for the 2013/2014 school year on January 2, 2013. The first two weeks registration will be open to returning students and their siblings. On January 14 we will begin registering students of families in the Grace Lutheran congregation. Registration will be open to the public on January 21. If you have any questions or would like more information, please call Anita Erb at 410-848-7020.

Family Fun Night and Silent Auction

Our annual Family Fun Night will be held on February 22. If you have an item or service that you would like to donate to the auction, please call or email Anita in the preschool office. You may reach her at 410-848-7020 ext. 113 or aerb@gracelc.org.

We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
We appreciate all the support we have been given by the congregation of
Grace Lutheran Church ☺



**"Sometimes love comes knocking at the door;
Not to judge, but just be there through the thin times;
Not to heal, but to allow God to heal;
Not to be the answer, but to be a conduit;
Not to have the words, when God fills the silent room;
Sometimes love comes through and from a Stephen Minister."**

Are you being called?

NEW CLASS OF STEPHEN MINISTERS' TRAINING – JANUARY, 2013

CALL PASTOR KEVIN OR DONNA YARISH FOR APPLICATION.

CHRIST SERVING PEOPLE THROUGH PEOPLE

Pray the Devil Back to Hell

Mark your calendar now, for an event that will take place on Saturday, January 5! That evening, we will be showing the documentary film, "Pray the Devil Back to Hell." This film was named number one at the 2008 Tribeca Film Festival. It tells the story of 2011 Nobel Prize winner, Leymah Gbowee and her female colleagues who brought an end to a long and bloody civil war in Liberia.

Reflecting on the work of Leymah Gbowee, www.livinglutheran.com says:

It began one evening in a candle-lit room in Monrovia, the capital city of Liberia. Leymah Roberta Gbowee gathered a small group of women and invited them to share their personal stories. Living in a culture where women do not speak publically, they "let out," says Leymah. They told heart-wrenching stories of husbands and sons murdered, sisters and daughters raped, and children dying from hunger and disease. This was war, a brutal civil war in Liberia that began in 1989. And for more than a decade, women suffered and mourned in silence — until one day in 2003, when Leymah urged them to take action in the name of peace.

"You always see your savior in someone other than yourself," says Leymah, a life-long Lutheran whose relationship with the ELCA dates back to 2004. "So for us women, having never been socialized to believe that we have powers to interfere in the politics of our country, we were waiting for the bold men," she says. But "every time the bold men rose up, they rose up with guns." Leymah realized that it would need to be the women of Liberia — Christian, Muslim, indigenous and elite women — to become the peacemakers.

Soon the original group of 20 grew to thousands. Known as the "women dressed in white," they marched in the streets for peace, held prayer vigils in churches and mosques, and demanded meetings with government and rebel leaders to call for an end to the war. They became the "Women of Liberia Mass Action for Peace" and successfully led a non-violent movement that ousted President Charles Taylor, brought a 14-year civil war to an end and paved the way for the election of Liberian President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, the first female president of an African nation.

On January 5, we will have a dinner for people of all ages. The Youth and Family Ministry Committee will provide after-dinner activities for children 5th grade and younger. Middle School students through adults will then view the 72 minute film.

Discussion will take place on Sunday morning, January 6 during the Education Hour at 10:15. Vivian Kuawogai, a member of Grace who came to the United States from Liberia, will help to lead the discussion. This is a very special opportunity to learn more about the witness of Christians and other people of faith who have faced obstacles unknown to us in this country. The Adult Education Committee is sponsoring this two-part event. Watch the Weekly Announcements for more details and registration information.

4th Annual Organ Concert



to be held at
Grace Lutheran Church
Wednesday, December 5, 2012
10:00 a.m. in Sanctuary



What a wonderful way to get in the Christmas spirit!
Invite all of your family and friends of all ages to this great event.

A Soup and Salad Lunch will follow the Concert in Grace's Fellowship Hall.
Cost is \$5 per person. Advance reservations requested.



Grace Lutheran Church Annual 2012 Christmas Party

Aime and Jeff would like to cordially invite **all adult members** to attend the Annual Grace Boomers Christmas Party to be held Saturday, December 22, 2012 (there will be no snowdate) at 7 P.M.

We have been blessed with many friends from Grace and would like to open the opportunity for **any adults of any age group** at Grace Lutheran Church to attend and make new friends on a more intimate basis as we have done in years past. This event is a great way to start off the holiday season and put you in a festive mood.

Invite someone to come with you that you have recently met at Grace so we can meet them as well. It is our goal this year to again make this the largest attended holiday event in the history of Grace Lutheran Church. There will be plenty of room for all.

Please note change of address - Aime and Jeff Pringle are hosting this year.

Aime and Jeff Pringle
1080 Huntfield Road, Westminster, Maryland 21157

Please RSVP by signing an RCR card at worship or by calling
Aime Pringle 410-861-6223 or Cathy Barnes 410-875-4219.

Please note: bring a side dish or dessert to Aime's house. Thank you.

Quiet Evenings Program

by Sharon Glass

WHAT: "Quiet Evenings: Sanctuary, Reflection, Spiritual Practice" Seasonal Offerings at Grace Lutheran Church
WHEN: Friday, December 7, 6:30-8:30 pm (Following one will be March 8.)
WHERE: Grace Lutheran Church
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.



When was the last time you allowed yourself even a moment of quiet? Our days are filled with the busyness of life, running here and there to appointments, events, games, and just "doing" in general. We invite you to let go of your responsibilities for a few hours, step outside the busyness of your life and be present with God in the moment, and listen and respond to God's calling in your life. Quiet Evenings begin with a time of entering into a space with quiet music to join one another in a quiet gathering and letting go of the busyness of the day. This second Quiet Evenings program will focus on Centering Prayer with ample time for quiet reflection, journaling, an optional time of sharing, and a brief service of prayer to close our evening of quiet.

Please register via the RCR card at worship or email Dawn Stem at dstem@gracelc.org. 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).

December Calendar of Events

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2012

9:30 am Advent Day of Praying with Watercolors (FH)
 5:00 pm Fair Trade Product Sale (LGS)
 5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)
 6:00 pm Graceland (College Age Adult Group) (101A/101B)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2012

7:30 am Fair Trade Product Sale (LGS)
 9:00 am Adult Sunday School (L)
 9:00 am New Members Breakfast (FH, T)
 10:00 am All Grace Worship (GH)
 11:15 am Annual Congregational Meeting (GH)
 3:00 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (MR)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2012

6:00 pm Cub Scouts Pack 393 (102, 104, 105, 106, 111, 112)
 6:00 pm Girl Scouts Troop 307 (FH)
 7:00 pm Agape Handbell Rehearsal (MR)
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop 393 (101A/101B)
 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Meeting (107, 108)
 8:00 pm Homelessness in Carroll County Presentation (T)
 8:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 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 Social Ministry Committee Meeting (LGS)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2012

10:00 am Annual Organ Concert (S)
 11:00 am Soup & Salad Luncheon (FH)
 12:00 pm Brown Bag Bible Study (CLV)
 3:00 pm Special Council Meeting (107)
 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, DECEMBER 6, 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 (108)
 7:00 pm New Beginnings NA Meeting (109/110)
 7:45 pm Festival Choir Rehearsal (MR)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2012

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

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2012

5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)
 6:00 pm Graceland (College Age Adult Group) (101A/101B)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 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
 11:15 am Traditional Worship (S)
 12:15 am Confirmation Servant Event (FH, T)
 3:00 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (MR)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 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, DECEMBER 11, 2012

GRACE NOTES ARTICLES DUE TODAY

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, DECEMBER 12, 2012

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

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 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 Young Adult Group (J&P Pizza)
 7:00 pm New Beginnings NA Meeting (109/110)
 7:45 pm Festival Choir Rehearsal (MR)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2012

6:30 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Conversation (Bob Evans)
 4:00 pm Zielinsky/Triplett Wedding Rehearsal (S)
 8:00 pm Turning Point AA Meeting (109/110)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2012

12:00 pm Zielinsky/Triplett Wedding (S)
 3:00 pm Christmas Cantata Rehearsal (GH)
 5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)
 6:00 pm Graceland (College Age Adult Group) (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

December Calendar of Events (continued)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16, 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
 11:15 am Traditional Worship (S)
 3:00 pm Christmas Cantata (GH)
 3:00 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (MR)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 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)
 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting (108)
 8:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 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)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2012

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, DECEMBER 20, 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, DECEMBER 21, 2012

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

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2012

5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)
 6:00 pm Graceland (College Age Adult Group) (101A/101B)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23, 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
 11:15 am Traditional Worship (S)
 3:00 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (MR)
 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry 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

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2012

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSING 12 NOON

12:00 pm Christmas Worship (S)
 4:00 pm Christmas Worship – especially for Children (GH)
 6:00 pm Christmas Worship – Carols and Candle Lighting (GH)
 8:00 pm Christmas Worship – Carols and Candle Lighting (S)
 10:30 pm Christmas Worship – Carols and Candle Lighting (S)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2012

CHRISTMAS DAY HOLIDAY –

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2012

5:00 pm TOPS Weight Loss Club (109/110)
 7:30 pm Praise Band/Singers Practice (GH)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 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 Young Adult Group (J&P Pizza)
 7:00 pm New Beginnings NA Meeting (109/110)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2012

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

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2012

5:00 pm Traditional Worship with Readings & Carols (S)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2012

9:00 am Adult Sunday School (L)
 10:00 am All Grace Worship – Readings & Carols (S)
 3:00 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (MR)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2012

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSING 12 NOON

8:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)



December

SANCTUARY & GRACE HALL –
 Cyndy Beckhardt and
 Brenda Lightner

December Worship Leaders & Assistants

DECEMBER 1-2, 2012 – ALL GRACE – CONGREGATIONAL

MEETING

5:00 pm – Carol Ann Bauman and Arthur Pease

10:00 am (ALL GRACE) – Vicar Karin Albaugh

Communion Assistants: Pete Tabatsko, Al Law, Sheila Law, John Yarish, Don Ludwig

Ushers: Ron Fairchild, Adam Fairchild, Michele Krichinsky, Jamie Krichinsky

DECEMBER 8-9, 2012

5:00 pm – Pat Goldberg

7:45 am – Pat Goldberg

9:00 am – Susan Tabatsko

Communion Assistants: Eileen Zepp, Junior Zepp, Don Meyers, Beth Meyers, Kim Meyers

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

11:15 am – Rich Schuster, **READER:** Leonard Cherry

DECEMBER 15-16, 2012

5:00 pm – Vicar Karin Albaugh

7:45 am – Dena Hodges

9:00 am – Vicar Karin Albaugh

Communion Assistants: Andy Beazley, Ginny Beazley, Ron Fairchild, Harold Murphy, JoAnn Murphy

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

11:15 am – Greg Hare



**Worship
Assistants**

DECEMBER 22-23, 2012

5:00 pm – Laura Heller

7:45 am – Caroline Babylon

9:00 am – Laura Heller

Communion Assistants: Rich Chaney, Ted Forman, Janet Bowersox, Sharon Glass, Taylor Glass Button

Ushers: Randy Bachtel, Linwood Van Horn, John Yarish, Barbara Serghini

11:15 am – Vicar Karin Albaugh

DECEMBER 24, 2012 – CHRISTMAS EVE

12:00 pm – Carol Ann Bauman and Arthur Pease

4:00 pm – Vicar Karin Albaugh

4:00 Communion Assistants: Bill Comegna, Kim Eckenrode, Pete Morano, Dottie Morano, Chad Plendl, Rich Schuster

4:00 Ushers: Jocelyn Sprietzer, Others to be Determined

6:00 pm – Ron Fairchild

6:00 Communion Assistants: Laura Heller, Pete Tabatsko, Michele Krichinsky, Steve Crews, Nancy Crews

6:00 Ushers: Greg Hare, Doris Hare, Matt Sherlock, Matthew Sherlock

8:00 pm – Vicar Karin Albaugh

10:30 pm – Rich Schuster

DECEMBER 29-30, 2012 – ALL GRACE

5:00 pm – Kay Betz

10:00 am (ALL GRACE in SANCTUARY) – Charlie Beckhardt

Communion Assistants: Greg Hare, Doris Hare

Ushers: Glenn Bair, Gary Ganjon, Glenn Becker, Rick Tschiegg



Poinsettia Orders

Members and Friends are invited to order poinsettias to adorn our worship spaces on Christmas Eve. The cost is \$10 per plant. Order forms are available in the Weekly Announcements and at our website (www.gracelc.org). **Deadline for ordering is December 9.**

SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT POINSETTIAS: Please do not remove flowers until after the final service in each worship space. Flowers not picked up on Christmas Eve will be available in the Kemper Avenue doorway beginning on Wednesday, December 26. The flowers will not be available on Christmas Day.

December Birthdays

December 1

Duncan, Joshua
Gist, Eileen
Zayed, Johanna

December 2

Bitzel, Jack
Bowersox, Barbara
Grigg, Liam
Hazen, Yvonne
Lewis, Kevin
Pigeon, Raiden
Schreyer, Nathaniel
Sexton, Katelyn
Shipley, Michael

December 3

Bair, Ruth
Baumgardner, John
Visocsky, Levi

December 4

Steinbrenner, Cate
Weishaar, Emma Jane
Zielske, Greg
Zielske, Amanda

December 5

Border, Emma
Rosendahl, Grant

December 6

Liebno, Grace

December 7

Garrett, Nancy
Holler, Janet
Huffman, Noell
Lidard, Charley
Patten, Carol
Tanzey, Jillian
Widerman, Hellen

December 8

Denton, Paul
Rice, Zachary
Romanowski, Nicholas
Swartz, Nicole

December 9

Allen, Stephanie
Capece, Doreen
DeKett, Lisa
Fairchild, Ron
Waltz, Norman

December 11

Allred, Kim
Waldrop, Bonnie
Winterstein, Charles

December 12

Glennon, Grace
Hoppe, Jessica
Smith, Joel

December 13

Fino, Heather
Schaeffer, Hannah
Schreyer, Andrea

December 14

Boyles, Helen
Miller, Carlye
Schuster, Lisa

December 15

Engle, Debbie
Guerra, Alyson
Janke, Mendy

December 16

Baumgardner, Pat
Espenschade, Park
Null, Donald
Ordway, Eric

December 17

Arbaugh, Kristin
Roth, Madeline
Trotta, Paul

December 18

Fogle, Robert
Hollinger, Joan

December 19

Spreitzer, Bob

December 20

Lewis, Jeffrey

December 21

Bish, Betty
Kirby, Sam
Roberts, Linda
Stauffer, Dana
Wildesen, Carol Ann

December 22

Cherry, Leonard
Harbaugh, Cory
Harbaugh, Travis
Pasek, Barbara

December 23

Weller, Darleen

December 25

Goetz, Rodney
King, Kevin
Lichtfuss, Ellen
Wetzel, Judy

December 26

Blomster, Erik
Carr, Joey

December 27

Chaney, Janice
Frieze, Zachary
Fullerton, Sarah
Reaver, Thelma
Strevig, Brooklyn

December 28

Fordi, Heidi
Hirt, Matt

December 29

Casper, Kathleen
Frazier, Benjamin
Hazen, Randy
Lentzner, Kurt
Strevig, Brianna

December 30

Darby, Wendy
Falkenstein, Elizabeth
Jenkins, Colin
Weidman, Rose

December 31

Burnett, Jessica
Ridder, Herbert
Schilling, Eleanor
Swartzbaugh, Jaymee
Velez, Tara
Warehime, Bonnie
Zavandro, Eva



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.



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

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