



Grace  
Lutheran

# WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Saturday, April 12 and Sunday, April 13, 2014

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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**

*\*\* Nursery is available for children under 3 during the Education Hour in Room 100.*

## 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, April 13

7:45 am Traditional Worship (S)  
9:00 am Contemporary Praise Worship (GH)  
9:00 am Adult Sunday School (L)  
10:15 am Christian Education Hour  
11:15 am Traditional Worship (S)  
2:30 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (MR)



### Friday, April 18

6:30 am Men's Brkfst & Bible Conversation (Bob Evans)  
11:00 am Community Cross Walk (Ascension Episcopal)  
12:00 pm Community Worship Service (S)  
7:00 pm Good Friday Tenebrae Worship Service (S)  
8:00 pm Turning Point AA Meeting (109/110)

### Monday, April 14

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

### Saturday, April 19

9:00 am Red Cross First Aid/CPR/AED (108)  
9:00 am Decorating Worship Spaces (UGS)  
5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)

### Sunday, April 20

7:45 am Traditional Worship (S)  
9:00 am Contemporary Praise Worship (GH)  
9:00 am Adult Sunday School (L)  
11:15 am Traditional Worship (S)



### Tuesday, April 15

12:00 pm Table of Grace Soup Kitchen (FH, T)  
7:00 pm Christian Education Committee Meeting (107)

### Wednesday, April 16

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 Healing Worship Service (S)  
7:30 pm Praise Band/Singers Practice (GH)

### Thursday, April 17

5:00 pm Ardent Folk Bible Conversation (L)  
6:00 pm Ardent Folk Weekly Meal (FH/T)  
7:00 pm Ardent Folk Debriefing (L)  
7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Worship Service (S)  
7:00 pm New Beginnings NA Meeting (Legacy - 101A/B)  
7:30 pm Trudging the Road AA Group (109/110)  
7:45 pm Festival Choir Rehearsal (MR)



## HOLY WEEK

**(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:** Pastor Martha Clementson  
**April Altar Guild:** Cyndy Beckhardt, Brenda Lightner (S, GH)  
**Worship Assistants: (5:00)** Lisa Turner, **(7:45)** Caroline Babylon, **(9:00)** Michele Krichinsky, **(11:15)** Cosette Schneider  
**Communion Assistants: (9:00)** Craig Giles, Murph Murphy, JoAnn Murphy, Sheila Law, Al Law  
**Ushers: (9:00)** Linwood Van Horn, Randy Bachtel, Don Ludwig, Bill Comegna  
**Acolyte: (11:15)** Taylor Glass Button  
**Performing: (11:15)** Luther Choir

**DAILY READINGS**

Sun (13) Matthew 27:11-54  
Mon (14) Psalm 36:5-11  
Tues (15) John 12:20-36  
Weds (16) Hebrews 12:1-3  
Thurs (17) 1 Corinthians 11:23-26  
Fri (18) John 18:1-19:42  
Sat (19) Matthew 27:57-66  
Sun (20) Matthew 28:1-10



**SERVING NEXT WEEK (April 19-20, 2014):**

**Worship Assistants: (5:00)** Bob Lichtfuss, **(7:45)** Craig Giles, **(9:00)** Ron Fairchild **(11:15)** Kara Schuster, **Reader:** Leonard Cherry  
**Communion Assistants: (9:00)** Erin Sherlock, Amelia Dowling, Laura Heller, Bob Lichtfuss, Leanne Elliott  
**Ushers: (9:00)** Jonathan Monka, Dave Monka, Jocelyn Spreitzer, Bob Spreitzer  
**Acolyte: (11:15)** Taylor Glass Button  
**Performing: (11:15)** Agape Handbell Choir

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**Altar Flowers**

**The altar flowers in the Sanctuary** are given in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. James Sharkey from Susan, Elaine, Chris, Stanley and Tony Sharkey.

**The vase arrangement in the Sanctuary** is given anonymously to the Glory of God and in honor of Pastor Martha's birthday.

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**April 5-6, 2014 Attendance** – (5:00) 52 (7:45) 31 (9:00) 195 (11:15) 77 (TOTAL) 355

**Mid-week Lenten Worship (April 9) Attendance** – (7:00) 94

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**We Need Your Help!**

**Can you spare an hour on Saturday, April 19? The Worship and Music Committee needs help in placing Easter flowers in our worship spaces.** We had a record number of flowers ordered this year and are looking forward to arranging them so that our worship spaces will be beautiful for Easter. If you can help, please meet in the Upper Gathering Space at 9:00 on Saturday morning. Your help will be greatly appreciated!

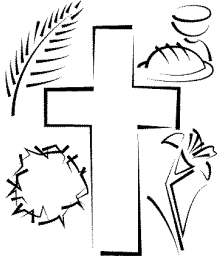
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**Ingathering of Baby Supplies for Djibouti, Africa**

Pastor Cris Frigm (Zion, Middletown, MD) is currently deployed as a US Navy Chaplain to Camp Lemonnier in Djibouti, Africa. Djibouti is a very impoverished nation and in need of many materials to provide for their people. We are collecting the following baby supplies in April and will ship them to Pastor Frigm for distribution: *Baby wipes, baby rash ointments, baby powder, baby Tylenol, baby blankets, bottles, binkies, undergarments (ages 2-6), sippy cups, baby lotions, baby food.*



### Holy Week at Grace



### Holy Week

**Wednesday, April 16 – Service of Healing** – The service begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Pastor Martha will be preaching. Each worshipper will have the opportunity to come forward for an individual prayer and blessing.

**April 17 – Maundy Thursday** - The service will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. It will include the celebration of Holy Communion and the Stripping of the Altar. Pastor Kevin will serve as the preacher.

**April 18 – Good Friday** – Grace will have two worship services this year.

Community Cross Walk – begins at 11:00 a.m. at Ascension Episcopal Church and will continue through downtown Westminster to the destination of Grace. A service will be held at Grace beginning at about 12:00 noon. Everyone is welcome, whether they participated in the Cross Walk or not.

Tenebrae – Our evening Good Friday Service will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. It will be a traditional Tenebrae service remembering Jesus' final hours on the cross. The service ends in darkness and silence.

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### Easter!!!!

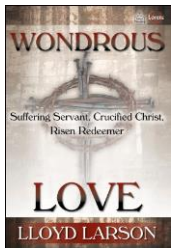
Jesus' glorious resurrection will be celebrated at all of our worship services on April 19 and 20. All Services are at their regular times: Saturday, 5:00, Sunday at 7:45, 9:00 and 11:15.

**We invite you to make the journey with Jesus through his passion, death and resurrection. Easter joy means so much more when you've been with Jesus throughout the days of Holy Week. Our daily worship services have great meaning. Please join us for the entire week!**



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### **All Grace Worship Service – Easter Cantata – Sunday, April 27**



The Easter Cantata will be performed by Narrators, Choirs, and Soloists at the 10:00 a.m. All Grace Worship service in Grace Hall on Sunday, April 27.

“*Wondrous Love* recounts the earthly life and ministry of Jesus. His was a life characterized by love as He taught and served others in the name of the One who had sent Him to live among us. Though many heard and received His message of love, ultimately the masses rejected Him, leading to His death on the cross. As terrible as this was, it was not unprecedented. Down through history, prophets and ambassadors of goodwill have been rejected and even killed for their messages. But it is here that *this* story becomes far different than any other story in history.”

– Lloyd Larson

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### Food & Faith Diners

Food and Faith Diners will join together for a meal on Sunday, April 27 at 5:00 p.m. in the Theater here at Grace. All adults are welcome to join in a meal of delicious food, prepared especially for us and served in a quiet, gracious environment. The cost is \$10 per person, payable at the door. Reservations are a must. Please sign the RCR card no later than April 13 if you plan to attend.

### **Carroll Lutheran School Open House**



Carroll Lutheran School will be having an Open House on Saturday, April 26 from 9:00 am - Noon. It is a great chance to tour the school and learn more about how your child might benefit from attending CLS. In addition to the general open house, teachers will be talking from 11:00 – Noon about the important transitions that our children make, especially as they enter school and/or move on to middle school. Even if your children don't attend CLS, this program can be of great help to you as a parent. All are welcome. Carroll Lutheran School is a ministry of the Lutheran Churches of Carroll County. It is school with a strong academic program, faith studies in the Lutheran tradition, and a caring environment that fosters learning, self-discipline and student achievement. Is this the time to give your child a gift that will last a lifetime?

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### **Summer Adult Mission Trip**

This summer, July 7-11, 2014, we will be going to Somerset County, MD, around the Crisfield area, to assist with repair and new construction due to damage from Super Storm Sandy. Please see the links below for additional information: <http://www.somersetrecovery.org/> or <http://www.lpdr.org/>. Sign up by contacting Laura Heller (phone 443-291-6044 or email [lheller1@msn.com](mailto:lheller1@msn.com)) or by signing the RCR card if you would like to participate or need more information.

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### **Lutheran Church Men Spring Dinner Meeting**

The Lutheran Church Men of the Westminster Conference will hold their Spring Dinner Meeting on Monday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m., at St. Luke (Winter's) Lutheran Church near New Windsor. As has been customary, a free-will offering will be received for the meal with at least \$11.00 requested.



The ladies of the church will be serving a family-style Fried Chicken dinner with all the fixins'. Following dinner, the men will move to the nave for devotions and a hymn sing led by Pastor Diane Day, pastor of Jerusalem Lutheran Church and Associate Chaplain at Carroll Lutheran Village.

Reservations to Ed Leister at 410-848-8640 or on the RCR card by Sunday, April 13, please.

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### **Cultivating Healthy Congregations** **May 6, 2014**

The Delaware-Maryland Synod is offering a continuing education event for laity and rostered leaders here at Grace on May 6. The speaker will be Rev. Robert Holley, co-author of the book *Called by God to Serve: Reflections for the Church*. His daughter, the Rev. Michelle Holley Carlson will introduce the Healthy Congregations Program that the synod is developing. Pastor Martha has been a Healthy Congregations facilitator for many years and speaks highly of the concepts involved in this program. The cost of the event is \$15 per person, which includes a light dinner and a copy of Rev. Holley's book. The event is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Please speak with Pastor Martha if you'd like to attend. More details can be found at [www.demdsynod.org](http://www.demdsynod.org) under "Upcoming Events."

**Mark Your Calendar:** Grace will have Vacation Bible School on July 14-18, 2014 from 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. Children age 3 – grade 5 are invited to attend this exciting week. Watch for more details and registration materials!!!!



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### **30 Hour Famine Donations**

We are asking for a variety of donations for the 30 Hour Famine to support World Hunger April 25-26. We are in need of large cardboard boxes (broken down) to make our cardboard city Friday night as well as Gatorade to help keep students hydrated during their fasting. These items can be dropped off in the church office. In addition we are collecting the following items to use in our service project on Saturday...

1. Cases of water
2. Individually wrapped tooth brushes
3. Toothpaste
4. Combs
5. Soap
6. Plastic spoons
7. Pairs of socks
8. Individually packaged applesauce



These items can be left in the boxes found in the upper and lower gathering space. If you would like to make a financial donation to the famine please make your check payable to Grace Lutheran Church and indicate 30 Hour Famine on the memo line.

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### **30 Hour Famine Volunteers**

We are also seeking volunteers to help in two capacities during the famine. We need adults interested in helping with security to serve in **2 hour shifts** from 12:00 a.m. until 6:00 a.m. We are also looking for some volunteers to help prepare the meal Saturday evening which will be served at 6:00 p.m. to end their fast. If you are interested in helping in either capacity please email Leanne Elliott at [lelliott@gracelc.org](mailto:lelliott@gracelc.org).

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### **Community Garden**



Spring is finally here and the Grace Gardeners are getting ready for another great season in our community garden. We are looking for volunteers to help with planting, weeding, and harvesting - all ages are welcome. If you are not able to volunteer time, we also appreciate plant and seed donations. If you are interested in helping or want additional information, please contact Nancy Suder at 443-507-5443 or [snaanjola@msn.com](mailto:snaanjola@msn.com) or Laura Heller at 443-291-6044 or [lheller1@msn.com](mailto:lheller1@msn.com).

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### **Celebrate Ministry Annual Dinner Delaware – Maryland Synod**

On Sunday, May 4 from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. the Delaware- Maryland Synod will sponsor the annual Celebrate Ministry Dinner at Carroll Lutheran Village. This year, Carroll Lutheran School will receive an award for excellence in education. The dinner is \$20 per person. Registration must be in no later than April 14. If you'd like to attend, please see Pastor Martha for a registration form.



**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](mailto:dstem@gracelc.org).

**Those who are serving our country:** Marshall Brown, Lt. Ryan Chaney, PFC Tyler Czarnowsky, Steve Haines, Nathan Karlson, Jeff Kelly, Adam Miller, Leah Miller, Steven P. Miller, Jr., Paul Roberts, Ben Weber, 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, Helen Corbett, Trudy Hirt, LaRue Long, Mildred Markle, Donald and Nancy Michael, Ilona Ries, Ellen Terry

**Continuing Prayers:** Charles Adams, Kelly Adams, Kelly Allen, Gladys Bauerline, Marion Bauman, Morgan Benner, Avery Benner, Brian Bowersox, Judy Bruchey, Barbara Burgess, Mike Button, Lou Chappell, Janet Clingan, Joseph P. Crone, Rocky & Bonnie Davis, Lewis Dixon, Al Doermann, Elaine Everett, Peggy Fogle, Peg Forbes, Ken Gist, Bernedett Gray, Dick Haines, Anne Hood, Gunther Hof, The Ireland Family, Pat Kennedy, Philip Kirk, Michael Landy, Diane Lawson, Evelyn Leppo, Jill Levin, Sandy & Walter Long, Craig Oliver, Dail Pease, Rick Pettit, Brandon Rice, Kayla Rockwell, Sally Kaye Sawyer, Family of Laura Sheldon, Tammy Spellman, Francis Stielper, Sr., Ron Wentz, Michael Williams, Jessica Young

**Seminarians:** Beth Clementson, Laura Heller

**Global Ministry Partners:** Pastors Eric and Wendolyn Trozzo serving in Malaysia, Annie Bunio, ELCA Missionary in Tanzania and The Lutheran Church, Paide, Estonia.

**Also please 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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**CROP Walk Helps the Hungry**



God graced the April 6 Carroll County CROP Hunger Walk with a perfect sunny afternoon. A record number of 21 walkers from Grace Lutheran Church were part of the 124 area walkers (and one dog) from 15 churches and organizations to raise over \$12,000 for Church World Service.

Our walkers were: George Conover; Elaine Conover; Pastor Kevin; Terry Pitt; Kelly, Eva and Trey Zavandro; Diane Fogle; Danny Fogle; Jerry Karlson; Anny Karlson; Micah Karlson; Cheryl Gosaguio with Fernando and Liliana; Garrett Cox; David Cox; Craig Giles; Lois Giles; Jeremiah Carter; and Yvonne Aasen. Thanks to the sponsors who supported them, we raised \$1,198 with possibly more raised online that hasn't yet been calculated. Thank you to Jan Mickey who was our walker recruiter and also volunteered at the registration table on walk day.

Of the total funds raised, 25% will be returned to Carroll County to support local agencies Carroll County Food Sunday, Access Carroll and Shepherd's Staff. The other 75% will enable Church World Service to help people worldwide through self-help development assistance, disaster relief and recovery, refugee resettlement, education, and much more.

Thank you for your donations. God will bless the recipients for your generosity.

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The recycling receptacles in the back parking lot have now been emptied and are ready to be filled once again.  
Recycle your paper and help Grace earn money at the same time!

