



Grace
Lutheran

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Saturday, September 20 and Sunday, September 21, 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.

5:00 p.m. – *We welcome to the Lord's Family by the waters of Holy Baptism, Alona Amira Nelson, daughter of James Nelson, Jr. and Jeniffer Pigeon.*

9:00 a.m. – *We welcome to the Lord's Family by the waters of Holy Baptism, Harrison Edward Zepp, son of Travis and Shannon Zepp. His sponsors are Nicholas and Meredith Metzger.*

Pictorial Directory Photo Sessions Start THIS WEEK!!!

Starting **TUESDAY, September 23** Lifetouch Photography will be here to take photos for our **NEW 2014 CHURCH DIRECTORY!** (Must have an appointment)

If you have not scheduled your appointment, please see **Sheilah in the Upper Gathering Space THIS SUNDAY** or call her at the office at 410-848-7020. Appointments still available!

YOU are an integral part of the life at Grace, please be a part of the new directory.

Grace Lutheran Tail Gate Party!!!

On Saturday, September 27 at 6:00 pm, Grace will host the second annual Tail Gate. Participants are encouraged to wear their jerseys and t-shirts from their favorite teams and to bring a side dish to share. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided and grilled by the Fellowship Committee. Last year, we were forced indoors by the weather, but we still had a great time. This year, we are praying for great weather. Please plan to attend!!



This Weekend is the Registration Deadline
Women's Weekend Away –
Ocean City, MD – October 3-5, 2014

“Connecting with God Every Day”
A Few Spaces are Still Open

It isn't too late to register for the women's weekend at the Son and Sands Retreat Center. The cost is \$55 for Upper Bunks and \$75 for Lower Bunks plus the cost of your own meals (lunch, dinner, and lunch). Details can be found at the registration table in the Upper Gathering Space and on the church website.



Pot Luck and Song

It's that time again!! You are invited to join others for a great pot luck dinner followed by a brief time of joyful singing!! Please join us at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, September 24 in the Fellowship Hall. Bring something to share with others and plan to have a great time!

Young Adult Group

Our young adults have been gathering at Johansson's on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday for discussion and fellowship. This fall we are going to start using the ELCA blog Faith Lens to guide our discussion. If you are a young adult looking for a place to gather in a relaxed setting we invite you to join us **Wednesday September 24** from 7-8:30! Some gather at 6 to enjoy a meal before while others join us at 7...we're pretty flexible! Please remember to bring cash to cover your meal, drinks, tip, and tax!

Sky Zone!!!



Who doesn't want to hang out at a room made of trampolines?!?!?! High School Youth we are going to SKY ZONE in Columbia, MD on **Saturday October 11!** We will meet in the Carroll Street parking lot at 5pm and we will be back to Grace by 9pm! The cost is **\$22 per person** and snacks and drink are available for purchase. **PARENTS** need to fill out the electronic waiver found at <http://www.skyzone.com/columbia/Online-Waiver> in order for your student to jump. **RSVP is REQUIRED by October 1!**

Food and Faith Diners

Sponsored by the Adult Education Committee, a new group started in 2013. Known as "Food and Faith Diners," this group of adults meets quarterly for a gracious dinner of home-made food served in a lovely and thoughtful atmosphere. Participants take turns to plan and prepare the meal, decorate the tables and clean up after dinner. Dining happens slowly with an emphasis on simply enjoying the food and fellowship. Because this is a small group, it is a great way to get to know other members and friends of the congregation. The cost is \$10 per person, payable at the dinner. The next dinner will take place on October 19 at 5:00 p.m. in the Theater. The reservation deadline is Sunday, October 12. Please use the RCR card to make your reservation. The emphasis will be on the wonderful foods of fall and will include a salad of shaved Brussels sprouts, pecans and blue cheese, roasted butternut squash soup, pork roast with Jezebel sauce, side dishes still to be named, and of course a wonderful dessert. If you've never been to Food and Faith Diners before, we welcome you to join us on October 19.

God's Work Our Hands
Saturday, September 27



In celebration of "God's Work Our Hands," we have three specific ways to witness for Christ by serving our neighbors. Please choose one of these activities and join us in showing God's love to the world around us. Let's have a great turn out for this day of outreach!!!

Work at the SERRV Center in New Windsor – 9am – 3 pm; 9am – 12pm; 12:30pm – 3:00pm We will help in the warehouse at SERRV. Most often, workers are given the task of packaging items for mailing. Those who help all

day will receive a free lunch. Please sign up for a specific time frame because we have committed to having 20 people there at any given time.

Help at Grace's Booth at Westminster Fall Fest – Volunteers are asked to work for 2 hour periods of time. At our booth, we greet those who are enjoying this community event and talk with the people who stop by to learn more about Grace. We will have several blankets for the Cold Weather Shelter for people to help with; that way, others will be drawn into help with God's Work!

Join our youth in making blankets for the Carroll County Cold Weather Shelter – Between 1:00 & 5:00 p.m., we will be working on blankets in rooms 109 – 112 in the basement of the church. Subway sandwiches will be available and all the materials needed for blanket making will be provided.

"God's Work Our Hands" is sponsored by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Congregations throughout the U.S. make this event our own by choosing activities unique to our setting. Let us join in prayer and service with our Lutheran sisters in brothers as we demonstrate that we are freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor.

We need to know how many people are participating in these service projects. Either sign the RCR card today or stop at the "God's Work Our Hands" Registration Table next Sunday morning.

End the day at the Grace Tailgate Party!!!

Connect – Friday Mornings!

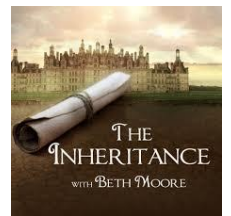
"THE INHERITANCE" with Beth Moore

"The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance." Psalm 16:5-6

Beginning Friday, October 3 join us and take an in-depth look at Inheritance throughout God's Word with this 9-week Beth Moore study. (No Homework)

Classes begin at 9:15am in the Theater.

Cost for the class is \$10.00.



Contact Carol Arbaugh at 410-848-4776 or Sheilah Keefer at 410-848-7020 to register.

Carroll County Christian Men's Prayer Breakfast
Saturday, October 4

The Carroll County Christian Men's Prayer Breakfast will be held on Saturday October 4 from 8:00am to 10:00am. Jeff Niklaus, Black Hawk helicopter pilot and author of "Black Hawk Down" will be the speaker.

Tickets cost \$15, students are free. Mark your calendar! Contact Rich Stiles (410- 526-7484 or richstiles@yahoo.com) for tickets.

Quiet Evenings Program 2014-2015

WHAT: "Quiet Evenings: Sanctuary, Reflection, Spiritual Practice" Seasonal Offerings

WHEN: Friday, October 3, 2014, 6:30-8:30 pm

WHERE: Grace Lutheran Church, Westminster, Maryland

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.

"The soul experiences a great happiness when it realizes what it is doing for God's sake." Interior Castle: St. Teresa of Avila

Contemplative practices that include time for reflection, prayer, meditation and silence are known spiritual explorations from the Christian tradition as well as other faith traditions. In past years, we have experienced lectio divina, walking meditation, centering prayer and more. You are invited to join our quiet, praying community as we give ourselves permission to let go of our responsibilities for a few hours, step outside the busyness of life and be present with The Holy in the moment, and listen and respond authentically to God's calling on this spiritual journey. This year's theme is from Psalm 46: Be still and know that I am God. We hope you will join us and experience some "great happiness."

While there is no fee, there will be a basket for a free-will offering.

Other Quiet Evenings will be held on these Fridays – December 5, 2014, March 6 and June 5, 2015.

For more information, call 410-848-7020.

Carroll Lutheran School – Annual Golf Outing **We Have Two Golfers! Would You Like to Join Them?**

Carroll Lutheran School will be hosting its 12th Annual Golf Outing on Friday, October 17 at the Piney Branch Golf and Country Club with an 8:30 shotgun start. This year, the golf outing will support scholarships for students at CLS. Player registration is \$125 per player. We'd love to have a team from Grace. Anyone interested???? Information is available in the Gathering Spaces. If you'd like to organize a team, please let one of the pastors know so we can help you publicize it!

Calling All Talent



The Grace Lutheran Time and Talent show will be held on **Saturday, November 8, starting at 6:00 PM**. This year, it will be dinner and a show and we will be selling tickets and donating the proceeds to the ELCA Malaria Campaign. More details to come, so contact Deborah Brennan at deborah.brennan16@gmail.com or Laura Heller at 443-291-6044 or lheller1@msn.com if you have talent you want to share during the show.

Blood Drive Results

A total of 28 units of blood were collected at the blood drive on Monday. Thanks to all who donated and helped with the drive. The next drive is Monday, November 10.



NEEDED: Cold Weather Shelter Volunteers



Jesus said, "Feed my Sheep." We can obey this instruction from Jesus by serving the homeless in our community at the Cold Weather Shelter. The Shelter is open November 15—March 31 from 7pm to 7am to allow those in need a warm place to sleep and a hot meal. We divide the cooking and serving for the Shelter to allow people who would normally not be able to volunteer because of work or other commitments to become active with those in need.

The great thing about volunteering to serve the homeless through the Cold Weather Shelter is there are many opportunities to make a difference.

1-Cook Casseroles-This involves cooking casseroles that freeze well to be served at the shelter. It is done at home and on your own time. With supervision, cooking can be a service project for school age children.

2-Serve Dinner at the Shelter-This involves heating the premade casseroles at the church and then transporting them to the shelter to serve the evening's guest. The time commitment for this is roughly 4:30-7:30/8. You must be over 18. This is done on a rotating schedule so you will not be committed to every Saturday.

If you cannot commit to one of these opportunities, we can always use supplies. Our needs are: Progressive Soups (Chicken Noodle, Tomato, and Vegetable), crackers and gallon jugs of iced tea and lemonade. You may purchase these at any time and put them in the kitchen with the label CWS.

It only needs to be a few hours per month to make a big difference in the lives of those in need. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Sandy Hoff 410-857-1197, 443-324-7481, hoffy1015@comcast.net or use the RCR card.

Lutheran Church Men Fall Dinner Meeting

The Lutheran Church Men of the Westminster Conference will hold their Fall Dinner Meeting on Monday, October 27 at 6:30 pm here at Grace Lutheran Church. A free-will offering will be received for the meal with \$11.00 requested.

Diane Fogle will be serving a delicious family-style dinner featuring Baked Ham with cherry glaze, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans and Tossed Salad. Youth from Grace will be serving the meal. Following dinner, a short devotion and a hymn sing will be led by Pastor Martha Clementson. Karen Ganjon will update the men with news from Carroll Lutheran School.

Reserve your spot on or before Sunday, October 12 by calling Ed Leister at 410-848-8640 or by signing the RCR card.

New Ministry For Women

Pastor Martha invites women to join together at Johansson's on Wednesday, October 29 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. for "Faith Talk for Women." We will take advantage of the 5th Wednesdays to gather for dinner and conversation. Participants may purchase dinner or beverages or appetizers. Bring your own Bible! Since this is the first time we will gather, we would like to have a count ahead of time. If you plan to attend, please sign the RCR card.

Volunteer Forms

Volunteer forms were given out on Rally Day. This is an opportunity to consider the many and varied ministries sponsored by our congregation. Members and friends of Grace, of all ages, are asked to prayerfully consider these ministries and turn in a volunteer form. If you did not receive a form, the informational packet is available in the Upper Gathering Space and on the Visitors' Table in the Sanctuary. Please return your volunteer forms no later than the end of October.



Alzheimer's Caregiver's Support Group

Caregivers of those with Alzheimer's or other dementia-related disorders are invited to attend a free monthly support group at Carroll Lutheran Village. The meetings are held the third Thursday of the month in the Hospitality Dining Room on the CLV campus (by the large red gazebo). Respite care is available. Contact Cheri at 443-605-1057 for more information.



Mar-Lu-Ridge Annual Walkathon – September 28 at 1:00 pm

Please plan to join us for our annual walk in the woods. Everyone is welcome – there is a hay wagon available for those who may not be able to walk the entire 5 mile route. Cookies, light refreshments, and drinks are provided! We will close the day with worship in Salem on the Mountain Chapel. Please visit our website for more information, including a link to donate to this important fundraiser. All gifts go directly to support our Campership and Facilities Funds. We have helped bring hundreds of campers to Mar Lu Ridge during our 55 years of ministry – we never turn a child away for financial reasons. Your gifts can give a camper a life-changing experience. We appreciate your prayers and hope to see you and your family on September 28! Questions, please contact us at [301-874-5544](tel:301-874-5544) or Mar-Lu-Ridge at mar-lu-ridge.org.

INDOOR FLEE MARKET – *where you'll flee with bargains instead of going home with fleas* – **Saturday, October 4 – 8am till 3pm.** St. Paul's United Church of Christ, corner of Bond & Green Streets in Westminster. Rummage Tables: Household items, clothing, toys, etc. Crafters/Vendors welcome (8' table & 2 chairs) for \$15.00 (limited space available, so secure your place early). For more information contact Renee Fink (call or text 410-259-6333) or Betty Hull (call 410-848-2657). office@stpauls-ucc.org, www.stpauls-ucc.org

DURING WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Preacher: Pastor Martha Clementson
September Altar Guild: Jim and Donna Helm (S, GH)

Worship Assistants: (5:00) Bob Lichtfuss, **(7:45)** Caroline Babylon, **(9:00)** Jamie Krichinsky, **(11:15)** Cosette Schneider

Communion Assistants: (9:00) Don Meyers, Beth Meyers, Steve Crews, Nancy Crews, Alyson Guerra

Ushers: (9:00) Ron Fairchild, Adam Fairchild, Bob Spreitzer, Jocelyn Spreitzer

DAILY READINGS

Sun (21) Matthew 20:1-16
Mon (22) Ephesians 2:4-10
Tues (23) James 4:11-16
Weds (24) Acts 13:32-41
Thurs (25) Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32
Fri (26) Psalm 25:1-9
Sat (27) Philippians 2:1-13
Sun (28) Matthew 21:23-32

SERVING NEXT WEEK (September 27-28, 2014):

Worship Assistants: (5:00) Carol Ann Bauman and Arthur Pease, **(7:45)** Craig Giles, **(9:00)** Ron Fairchild, **(11:15)** Charlie Beckhardt

Communion Assistants: (9:00) Sandra Harrison, Jamie Krichinsky, Michele Krichinsky, Chuck Lowman, Bill Comegna

Ushers: (9:00) Don Hodges, Dena Hodges, Brooke Hodges, Brian Sherfey



The flowers in the **Sanctuary** are given in loving memory of
George and Dotty Eppler by their family.

September 13-14, 2014 Attendance – (5:00) 27 (7:45) 25 (9:00) 232 (10:30) 91 (TOTAL) 375

Sanctuary Rededication Attendance – September 14, 2014 – (3:00) 135



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, 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, Trudy Hirt, LaRue Long, Mildred Markle, Donald and Nancy Michael, Alice Midttun, Ilona Ries, Lillian Rosenberg, Ellen Terry

Continuing Prayers: Chuck, Lisa and Joshua, Charles Adams, Kelly Allen, Brian Bowersox, Gordon Caples, Lou Chappel, Janet Clingan, Steven Cox, Kelly Davis, Rocky & Bonnie Davis, Dolores Farver, Joe Flemming, Peggy Fogle, Barbara Gordon, Hattie Helm, Joseph Hodgkins, Anne & Dee Hood, Cathy James, Lanny Kessler, Philip Kirk, Nikki Lemmerman, Sandy & Walter Long, Linda Meil, Marie Miller, Naomi Myers, Vivian Myers, Rita Petry, Kayla Rockwell, Sally Sawyer, Dottie Whitson, Jessica Young

Seminarians: Beth Clementson and Don Myers

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.*

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Sunday, September 21

7:45 am Traditional Worship (S)
9:00 am Adult Sunday School (L)
9:00 am Contemporary Praise Worship (GH)
10:15 am Christian Education Hour
11:15 am Traditional Worship (S)
3:00 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (MR)

Monday, September 22

6:00 pm Girl Scouts (FH)
7:00 pm Agape Handbell Rehearsal (MR)
7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Legacy)
7:00 pm LFOG Parent Night (various)
8:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)

Tuesday, September 23

12:00 pm Table of Grace Soup Kitchen (FH/T)
2:00 pm Pictorial Directory Portraits (UGS)
5:00 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsals (various)
7:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting (108)
7:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (LGS)
7:00 pm Shepherd's Staff Board Meeting (107)

Wednesday, September 24

2:00 pm Pictorial Directory Portraits (UGS)
5:00 pm TOPS Weight Loss Club (111)
5:45 pm Luther Choir Rehearsal (MR)
6:00 pm Potluck and Song (FH)
6:45 pm Time & Talent Show Rehearsal (Legacy)
7:00 pm LFOG Parent Night (various)
7:00 pm Books & Brew (Johansson's)
7:30 pm Praise Band/Singers Practice (GH)

Thursday, September 25

2:00 pm Pictorial Directory Portraits (UGS)
5:00 pm Ardent Folk Bible Conversation (T)
6:00 pm Ardent Folk Weekly Meal (FH/T)
7:00 pm Ardent Folk Debriefing (Parlor)
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (MR)
7:00 pm Thursday Evening Book Club (LGS)
7:00 pm New Beginnings NA (Legacy)
7:30 pm Trudging the Road AA (109/110)

Friday, September 26

2:00 pm Pictorial Directory Portraits (UGS)
6:30 am Men's Brkfst & Bible Conv (Bob Evans)
8:00 pm Turning Point AA Meeting (109/110)

(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

Saturday, September 27 – God's Work Our Hands

10:00 am Pictorial Directory Portraits (UGS)
1:00 pm Youth Service Project (various)
5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)
6:00 pm Tail Gate Party (Parking Lot)

Sunday, September 28

7:45 am Traditional Worship (S)
9:00 am Adult Sunday School (L)
9:00 am Contemporary Praise Worship (GH)
10:15 am Christian Education Hour
11:15 am Traditional Worship (S)
3:00 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (MR)

September 27

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6:00 pm
Tail Gate Party

Christ in Our Home Booklets

The next quarter (October, November and December, 2014) of Christ in Our Home booklets is now available in the Gathering Spaces and literature racks of the church.