GRACE NOTES

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Deadline for *October* Grace Notes is Tuesday, September 20. 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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Overwhelmed

This past week members of our congregation gathered to talk about the role of our Community of faith in the midst of a world that seems so very out of control. On a large whiteboard in the classroom where we were meeting, we began to list all the different issues that are tearing at our world. Racism, sexism, drug abuse, violence, fear and the list went on from there until nearly every space on that huge whiteboard was filled in with the many things facing our world, our lives and our Church. To say the least the enormity of all that stared back at us from that board felt overwhelming. What can we, as a tiny community of faith, do in the midst of all the ills that seem to be staggering our world? It was then that I opened up my most recent journal and came across a couple pieces of wisdom that I had written down. The first is from the Talmud: **"Do not be daunted by the enormity of the world's grief. Do justly, now. Love mercy, now. Walk humbly, now. You are not obligated to complete the work, but neither are you free to abandon it."** I think back now upon that board and though it cries out with the wounds of the world I know that our task as a congregation is to be involved in whatever way we can that will somehow bring some sense of healing. Indeed we will not be able to fix it all but that doesn't mean we shouldn't try.

A group within our congregation is looking prayerfully and carefully as to what it is that we can do to be a positive influence. It is not the intention of this group to find a solution but rather to encourage pathways that will engage us all as instruments of God's redeeming love in the world. Tucked into the same journal is another tidbit of wisdom, this time from St. Francis of Assisi: **"Start by doing what is necessary, then what is possible and suddenly you are doing the impossible."** I am encouraging all of us to be about the work of being healers in this broken world. My hope is that our congregation can help provide encouragement, support and direction for us all in this great task. However I hope that the real work of our community will happen outside the walls of Grace, in your homes, schools and neighborhoods. Remember that what you and I do may not make the evening news but if we are able to ease the burden of another, give to a darkened soul the light of Christ, bring justice and mercy into the lives of even a few then we have done what we are called to do.

Peace, Pastor Kevin

September 11

September 11, 2001 is one of those days that stay in our memory for as long as we have memory! No doubt you can picture where you were when you first heard about planes flying into the Twin Towers and the Pentagon. You can recall the confusion and fear that gripped our country so unexpectedly. I was in a restaurant in Zelienople, Pennsylvania meeting with a group of pastors. As we were leaving we walked past the bar area where a woman was vacuuming the carpet. On the television screen we saw a plane hitting a building in New York. We weren't sure what to make of it. The woman continued her vacuuming as if the television was showing reruns of "The Brady Bunch." In my car, I turned on the radio to see what was going on. Before I reached my office, another plane had hit a second building.

Some say that our country changed that day. We could no longer believe that all wars "happen over there." We were about to learn what it means to live in a world with terrorism fueled not only by hatred but also by this communication devise called "the internet."

Many people returned to church after September 11. In fact, churches of all denominations reported record breaking attendance for the next month or so. And then it all dropped off again! Why is it that so many people turn to God when they have a problem or are afraid but then they fall away as soon as they get a grip on life again? If only we stayed in relationship with God all along we'd be better able to face whatever a day may bring!

It is our human nature to struggle between trusting in God and trusting in ourselves. We all have to ponder deeply our daily priorities and determine how much time and effort we will put into our part of our relationship with God. We know through Christ Jesus that God remains faithful to us. We are the ones who come in and out of faithfulness for all sorts of reasons.

September 11, 2016 is the fifteenth anniversary of this unforgettable day in American history. I hope that it will be a day when we will recall its lessons. Life and death are but a breath away from one another. Let us be prepared for the unexpected by walking daily with Christ. Let us teach our children and witness to our neighbors so that they too will know the joy of being loved by God. Let us live out our faith in ways that combat hatred, violence and oppression in the world around us.

This September 11, here at Grace, we will observe this day in a couple of different ways. In the morning, we will gather as a congregation at 10:00 for an All Grace Worship Service followed by the opportunity to put our hands to work making kits that will go to people in need around the world. We will gather for lunch and fellowship. Then in the evening, we will gather for a worship service focusing on prayer for our nation and prayer for the people who serve in our country's military as well as first responders. The details of these events are listed elsewhere in this newsletter. I hope that you will participate fully in the events of this day. Combining worship, service, fellowship and prayer is best way that I can think of to remember how God has blessed the United States and to recommit ourselves to serving our Lord in the midst of the uncertainty and challenges of everyday life.

Pastor Martha

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRIES

by Leanne Elliott

Sunday School

We offer Sunday School classes using the WHIRL lectionary curriculum for kids age 4 through 6th grade. Confirmation is offered to students in 7th and 8th grade and we use the Collaborate curriculum. Our high school class meets in Legacy (and has coined the name "Legacy") and uses a variety of curriculum like ELCA Faith Lens. We also offer a variety of classes for adults from a Bible study based on the weekly lessons to Artist's Way. Christian Education Hour is from 10:15-11:10 and nursery is available for children not in Sunday school.

TECT

Teens Experiencing Christ Together is our mid-week youth group for 6th-12th grade students. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in Legacy for a time of fellowship and learning. Friends are always welcome and encouraged. Our first TECT will be on **September 21!**

FreeRide Synod Youth Retreat

The Delaware-Maryland Synod Middle School youth retreat is right around the corner! Students in 6th-8th grade are encouraged to attend this awesome weekend at Northbay Retreat Center in Northeast, MD **October 21-23, 2016**. This is the ONLY retreat for 6-8th grade students during the 2016-17 program year. The cost is $185/person and is all inclusive. Join others from across our Synod as the LYO shares about ***Global Grace*** during this awesome weekend out in God's creation! Please submit your registration form, Northbay Release form and $100 deposit to Leanne by Sunday September 11. All forms can be found on the Grace website under Downloadable Resources. Please see Leanne with any questions or for financial assistance to help offset the cost.

They are also asking looking for people 18+ to serve on the Work Crew (helping in the kitchen throughout the weekend). If you are interested please see Leanne.

Grace Travels the World!

As Christians, Lutherans, and members of Grace we are called to serve both our local and global communities. Missions is the foundation of our faith and our vision—and allows us to build relationships with our Brothers and Sisters while growing and deepening our faith and opening us up to new opportunities and cultures. Missions is a blessing to those who you enter into relationship with and to ourselves as we learn and experience faith in whole new ways. In the summer of 2017 we will be offering both a High School Mission Trip and a Young Adult/Adult Mission Trip where we will get to experience God's work in the world through service.

High School: July 16-21, 2017 high school students are encouraged to join the Mission Trip to the Adirondack Mountains, New York with YouthWorks! This is a work camp site where we will serve the community through projects such as painting, cleaning, yard work, and other simple work projects and/or planning and leading programming for children in the community such as Bible lessons, games, crafts and reading. We'll also have the opportunity to experience the Adirondack Mountains through evening activities such as hiking, a trip to Natural Stone Bride & Caverns, and Lake George at Million Dollar Beach! We'll end our week by sharing a meal with the community we've been serving and building relationships with all week at the Community Cook Out! The cost is $350/person and your $100 deposit is due to Leanne by **September 18, 2016**. This will be Leanne's 6th youth mission trip at Grace and she would love to talk with you if you have any questions or concerns.

Young Adult/Adult: June 7-13, 2017 we will be heading to Belize with Thirst Ministries! This will be Grace's first International trip and we are very excited to be able to offer this opportunity to those one year out of high school and older. It has been a goal of ours to offer an International trip for young adults and we have found an organization with which we are very excited to partner. The cost for the trip will be $1500/person (airfare included). There will be an informational meeting on **Sunday September 18** in the Lower Gathering Space at 10:15 a.m. for those interested in the trip.

Little Friends of Grace Preschool News

by Anita Erb, Director

Registration

We are still accepting registrations for the 2016/2017 school year. We currently have 109 children registered. The three three-year old classes are filled to capacity and our four-year old classes are doing well. We would be happy to enroll a few more two-year old children☺. Please call the preschool office for more information.

Preschool Reopens Soon

The preschool staff will begin on August 22 with the students returning on September 6. New parent orientation was held on August 30 at 6:30 pm. Open houses for the students and their families will be on August 31 and September 1 from 9:00-10:00.

New Staff

We have two new assistant teachers this year. Heather Maloney will be joining us in the W/F 2's with Mrs. Borkowicz and Doreen Stovenour will be Mrs. Bauhof's assistant in the Monday-Thursday pre-K 4's class. We are excited to have Mrs. Helfer move to a teaching position with the MWF 3's.

Early Educators Conference

Renee Brewer, Dana Chirillo, Stephanie Sweeney and Anita attended the statewide Baltimore Washington United Methodist Early Childhood Educators Conference on August 11. This conference is a great way to start off the school year meeting over 300 early educators from various backgrounds across the state. We always come away rejuvenated and ready for the start of the school year.

Scholarship Support

Please look for various opportunities throughout the year to support the scholarship program. We currently have six families who are receiving scholarship monies. We plan to schedule dining out opportunities as well as sell discount tickets through Boscov's and Belk. If you are unable to participate in these activities but would like to donate anyway, it would be greatly appreciated, just note the LFOG scholarship fund on your donation.

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Celebrating God's Call to Us on September 11

This year, September 11 marks the 15th anniversary of the attack on our country by terrorists. So much has happened in these 15 years. We know that as Christians our responsibility as Christ's witnesses and servants is so very important. On Sunday, September 11, Grace will provide the framework for us to serve and witness to God's continuing love and care. Please plan to participate in as much of this busy day as you can!

All Grace Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

Rally Day gathers us back together after the scattering of summer!
Join us for worship as we celebrate God's loving presence among us.

God's Work Our Hands Service Projects 11:00 a.m. Starting in Grace Hall

We will serve in teams making school kits, personal care kits and baby kits to be distributed through Lutheran World Relief.

Lunch 12:00 Noon

Fellowship Committee will provide a light lunch so that we can continue enjoying our time together. A free will offering will be taken to cover the cost of the lunch.

Labyrinth Grace Hall from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. and 7:15 – 8:00 p.m.

Walking the Labyrinth reminds us that we are in God's presence and care.
You can walk the labyrinth or sit in the quiet of Grace Hall for prayer and reflection.

Quiet Worship Service 6:30 – 7:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Quiet Worship combines music, scripture, reflection and prayer in a way that gives us a chance to unwind and hear God's Word speaking to us. In this service we will remember those who died on September 11 and throughout these 15 years as well as give thanks for the people who work to keep us safe every day. We especially welcome first responders and/or their loved ones to join us for this worship service.

Traditional Music Notes

by Ted Dix, Director

Organist and Director of Traditional Music and Music Ministry Development

This month's traditional music article begins with sincere thanks to everyone who provided special music at worship this summer. This includes Elaine Conover, James Lightner, Elizabeth Meuse-Cummiskey, Burke Stanton, Carrie Oddis, Dustin Oddis, and Joe Dorsey. I am always overwhelmed by the amount of musical talent within our church family and in our community!

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 the time commitment know that the Festival Choir normally only meets for about 7 weeks during the Christmas season. The other choirs run more continuously but the commitment can be organized into shorter goals. Please consider being a part of the musical life at Grace!

See you at worship!

Rehearsals are beginning this month!

- Wednesday, September 7 at 5:45pm – Luther Choir begins rehearsing in the Music Room.
- Thursday, September 8 at 7:00pm – Chancel Choir begins rehearsing in the Music Room.
- Monday, September 12 at 7:00pm – Agape Handbell Choir begins rehearsing in the Music Room.

Upcoming Traditional Musical Events:

- Sunday, September 25 at 3:00pm – Organist Ted Dix will be performing an organ recital, *Music for the French Symphonic Organ*, at Emmanuel United Church of Christ, 124 Broadway, Hanover, PA 17331. Admission and parking are free.
- Sunday, October 30 at 11:15am – The Luther Choir will provide special music at the Reformation Sunday worship service in the Sanctuary.
- Sunday, November 6 at 11:15am – The Agape Handbell Choir will provide special music at the All Saints' Sunday worship service in the Sanctuary.
- Sunday, November 20 at 11:15am – The Children's Chorus of Carroll County will provide special music at the Christ the King Sunday worship service in the Sanctuary.
- Sunday, November 27 at 9:00am – The Agape Handbell Choir will provide special music at the worship service in Grace Hall.
- Sunday, December 4 at 10:00am – The Luther Choir will provide special music at the All Grace worship service in Grace Hall.
- Wednesday, December 7 at 10:30am – Sixth Annual Ted Dix and Friends Christmas Organ Recital in the Sanctuary. Please note that the time has been changed to 10:30 this year!
- Sunday, December 18 at 11:15am – Christmas Cantata with narrators, vocal choirs and soloists, and instrumentalists at the worship service in the Sanctuary.
- Saturday, December 24 at 4:00pm – The Luther Choir will provide special music at the Christmas Eve worship service in Grace Hall.
- Saturday, December 24 at 8:00pm and 10:30pm – The Chancel and Agape Handbell Choirs and soloists will provide special music at the Christmas Eve worship services in the Sanctuary.

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September Red Cross Blood Drive

by Emma Jane Weishaar

Grace Lutheran is sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, September 19 from 2:00-7:30 p.m. in Grace Hall. Please call or email Emma Jane Weishaar at 410-848-1231 or ejweishaar@comcast.net to schedule an appointment.

Thank You Notes Received

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Thank you for your recent gift given to your synod, received by ELCA World Hunger.

This is the year of ELCA World Hunger in *Always Being Made New: The Campaign for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*, and we are particularly grateful for your gift to this signature ministry of the church! Your generous support provides water and hygiene programs, agriculture and animal husbandry, health clinics and micro loans, and education and advocacy for communities in need in over 60 countries including the United States.

During this season of Pentecost when our churches are dressed in green, we are reminded that God supplies abundance and invites us to share with all in need. We truly do more together than we could do alone.

Until all are fed,
The Rev. Daniel Rift
Director, ELCA World Hunger and Disaster Appeal

Compassion International

Thank you for being an instrument of God's love in the lives of children!

Through your faithful support, we are able to shine the light of Christ's love into the darkness of poverty, providing children with real help and hope. Did you know that last year 158,300 children in Compassion's programs said "Yes" to Jesus? Thanks you for making an eternal difference!

We appreciate you so much. God bless you!

With gratitude,
Compassion International

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A Message from the Finance Chair

by Caroline A. Brocato

As most of you are aware, we have been running a deficit for most of this year and we finished 2015 in the red. Our committees have been keeping their spending to bare minimums, but we still have basic overhead expenses that must be paid. If we continue to run in the red year after year, we are going to deplete our investment account; then what?

Whether you come to services or not, these expenses must still be paid. When you go on vacation, do your bills stop? Neither do the church's when you aren't here. The church needs both your financial and active support in order to continue the fabulous outreach programs that occur here at Grace. This is one of the busiest churches I know; there is at least one ministry occurring every day/evening. This is what we are about – serving others.

Many members already give generously of their time and funds. Ask yourself, am I one of them? Can I be? Can I up my offering? Can I volunteer an hour or two? Take your lunch to work instead of buying it and put the savings in the offering plate. It's healthier and we'd love to see you in church.

Since the first of the year, I have increased my monthly giving by 6.5%. I challenge you to increase yours, even if only by a few dollars.

Yours in Christ.

Grace Finances At A Glance
Year to Date through July, 2016

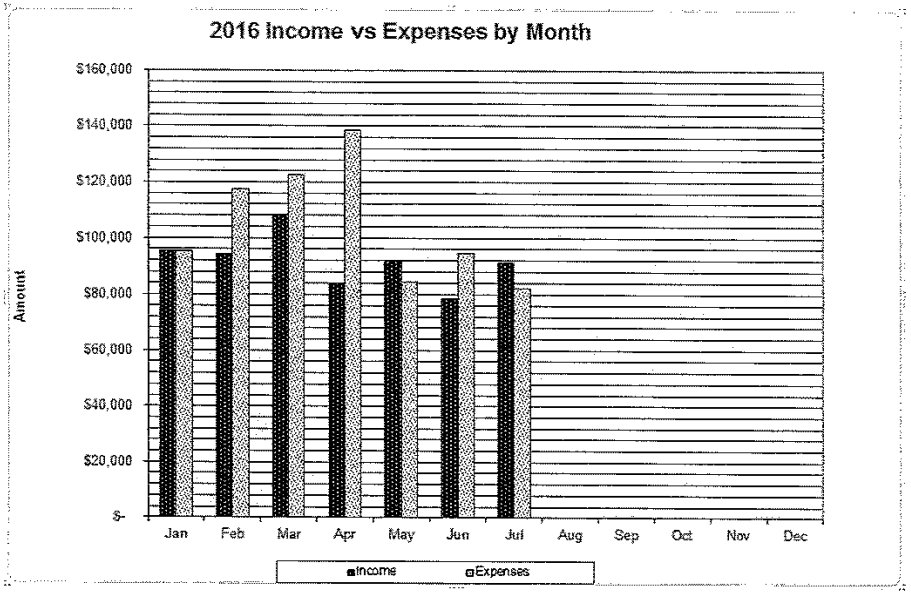
Income:

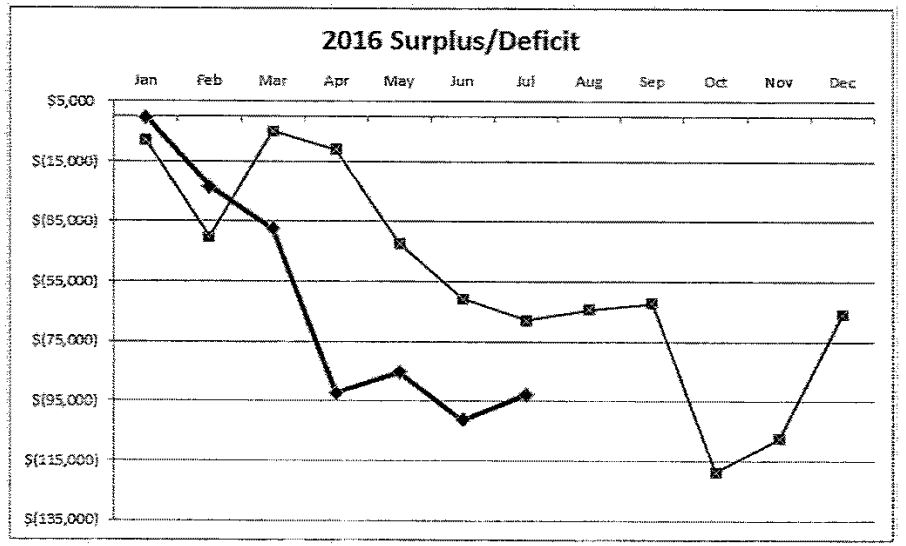
General Giving	$433,949
Debt Reduction	$85,021
Other	$15,663
LFOG	$107,785
Total Income	**$642,418**

Expenses:

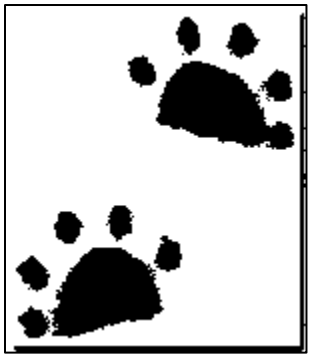
General	$612,879
Capital Improvements	$45,492
Debt Reduction (Mortgage)	$76,668
Total Expenses	**$735,039**
Net Income/Loss	**($92,621)**

***Please direct any questions to**
Treasurer@gracelc.org





Timmy, the Terrible Hunger Terrapin



Timmy's Corner

Hello and a good summer to all of you,

I now think we're finally finished with the heat. Morning warm ups are more gentle and each day more time can be spent on gathering daily foods and getting back in touch with friends. I think some even left for cooler places but I hope they all come back; they are missed.

On a personal note, my Uncle Timothy is coming to visit me and it's well known in my family he never stays for a short time. I understand he can be a little opinionated and isn't afraid to speak his mind. Why I was named after him is beyond me and others. Any way, you can expect to hear from him and sometimes a view different than mine. Don't be taken aback by his appearance either; he's bigger than me and can look a little tough once in a while. I better get busy myself gathering for company. I don't have any idea how much he eats.

A month later:

Well, Uncle Timothy was here for a month and I have to say everything wasn't as I had expected. In the beginning we may have butted heads on some things but, he did impress on me his thoughts and feelings about how to take a different look at some things, so maybe we can call it a 50/50 split on things about life in general and beliefs. One of the biggest changes for me was the understanding that all things come from God. I had been a little self-centered before, take eating for example. Let's say I caught ten bugs or fishes for lunch one day. Did I do all the work or was I blessed with a meal from God? I used to think I did all the work but, did I really? God after all provided the bugs and fish; yes I know it gets a little confusing doesn't it? When I thought this over, my uncle was right and I had not only taken all the credit but ate each and every one. Uncle Timothy went on to tell me it took him months and months to get over this thought process and do what was right. As the Bible says, give back 10% to God in some form of sharing. Tim said, "Even if you can't give the full 10% right off, begin with a goal of maybe 5% and work up in time with a determined goal of 10% or more if you feel that's good."

Well, I'm going to work on this starting this weekend and maybe I'll have some results by my next letter. This may be easier for me than for you but we could all give this a try couldn't we?

Take care,
Timmy

Personal Notes

Baptized:

8/14/16 – Jakob Alexander Richman (son of Chad and Lauren Richman)
8/21/16 – Jackson David Bankard (son of David and Amy Bankard)
8/21/16 – Lily Faith Bankard (daughter of David and Amy Bankard)
8/21/16 – Robert Daniel Rasche (son of Brian and Bethany Rasche)

In Memoriam:

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

Family of Earl Wiles – August 19, 2016
Randy Hazen on the death of his mother

September Calendar of Events

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2016
5:00 pm Ardent Folk Bible Conversation (UGS)
6:00 pm Ardent Folk Weekly Meal (FH/T)
6:45 pm Trudging the Road AA Group (109/110)
7:00 pm Ardent Folk Debriefing (L)
7:30 pm New Beginnings NA Meeting (Legacy - 101A/B)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2016
6:30 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Conversation (Bob Evans)
8:00 pm Turning Point AA Meeting (109/110)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2016
5:00 pm Fair Trade Coffee Sale (LGS)
5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2016
7:30 am Fair Trade Coffee Sale (LGS)
7:45 am Traditional Worship (S)
9:00 am Praise Worship (GH)
10:30 am Traditional Worship (S)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2016
LABOR DAY HOLIDAY – OFFICE CLOSED
8:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2016
12:00 pm Table of Grace Soup Kitchen (FH, T)
4:15 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (FH, T, MR)
7:00 pm Property Committee Meeting (108)
7:00 pm Social Ministry Committee Meeting (107)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2016
5:00 pm TOPS Weight Loss Club (111)
5:45 pm Luther Choir Rehearsal (MR)
6:30 pm Contemporary Worship Conversation (FH)
7:30 pm Praise Band/Singers Practice (GH)
7:30 pm Men's Bible Study (Johansson's)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2016
5:00 pm Ardent Folk Bible Conversation (UGS)
6:00 pm Ardent Folk Weekly Meal (FH/T)
6:45 pm Trudging the Road AA Group (109/110)
7:00 pm Ardent Folk Debriefing (L)
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (MR)
7:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting (111)
7:00 pm Stewardship Committee Meeting (108)
7:30 pm New Beginnings NA Meeting (Legacy - 101A/B)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2016
6:30 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Conversation (Bob Evans)
8:00 pm Turning Point AA Meeting (109/110)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2016
5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2016
10:00 am All Grace Service – Rally Day (GH)
12:00 pm Rally Day Lunch (FH, T)
5:00 pm Labyrinth Open (GH)
6:30 pm Quiet Worship (S)

(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, SEPTEMBER 12, 2016
6:00 pm Cub Scouts Pack 393 (Various)
7:00 pm Agape Handbell Choir Rehearsal (MR)
7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop 393 (Legacy)
7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Meeting (108)
8:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2016
12:00 pm Table of Grace Soup Kitchen (FH, T)
4:15 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (FH, T, MR)
7:00 pm Adult Education Committee Meeting (Parlor)
7:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (L)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2016
5:00 pm TOPS Weight Loss Club (111)
5:45 pm Luther Choir Rehearsal (MR)
7:30 pm Praise Band/Singers Practice (GH)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2016
5:00 pm Ardent Folk Bible Conversation (UGS)
6:00 pm Ardent Folk Weekly Meal (FH/T)
6:45 pm Trudging the Road AA Group (109/110)
7:00 pm Ardent Folk Debriefing (L)
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (MR)
7:00 pm Contemporary Worship Committee Meeting (108)
7:30 pm New Beginnings NA Meeting (Legacy - 101A/B)

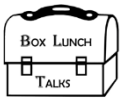
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2016
6:30 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Conversation (Bob Evans)
8:00 pm Turning Point AA Meeting (109/110)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2016
8:30 am Synod Council Meeting (FH, T)
10:00 am Worship & Music Committee Meeting (Parlor)
5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2016
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)
10:15 am Mission Trip Informational Meeting (LGS)
11:15 am Traditional Worship (S)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2016
1:30 pm WELCA Meeting (L)
2:00 pm Red Cross Blood Drive (GH)
6:00 pm Cub Scouts Pack 393 (Various)
7:00 pm Agape Handbell Choir Rehearsal (MR)
7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop 393 (Legacy)
7:00 pm Church Council Meeting (108)
8:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2016
12:00 pm Historical Society Box Lunch Talk (GH)
12:00 pm Table of Grace Soup Kitchen (FH, T)
4:15 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (FH, T, MR)
7:00 pm Christian Education Meeting (107)



September Calendar of Events (continued)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2016
5:00 pm TOPS Weight Loss Club (111)
5:45 pm Luther Choir Rehearsal (MR)
7:00 pm TECT Youth Group (various)
7:30 pm Praise Band/Singers Practice (GH)
7:30 pm Men's Bible Study (Johansson's)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2016
5:00 pm Ardent Folk Bible Conversation (UGS)
6:00 pm Ardent Folk Weekly Meal (FH/T)
6:45 pm Trudging the Road AA Group (109/110)
7:00 pm Ardent Folk Debriefing (L)
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (MR)
7:30 pm New Beginnings NA Meeting (Legacy - 101A/B)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2016
6:30 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Conversation (Bob Evans)
8:00 pm Turning Point AA Meeting (109/110)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2016
5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2016
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)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2016
6:00 pm Cub Scouts Pack 393 (Various)
7:00 pm Agape Handbell Choir Rehearsal (MR)
7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop 393 (Legacy)
8:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2016
12:00 pm Table of Grace Soup Kitchen (FH, T)
4:15 pm Children's Chorus Rehearsal (FH, T, MR)
7:00 pm Evangelism Committee (107)
7:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (L)
7:00 pm Shepherd's Staff Board Meeting (108)
7:30 pm Troop 393 Committee Meeting (109/110)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2016
5:00 pm TOPS Weight Loss Club (111)
5:45 pm Luther Choir Rehearsal (MR)
7:30 pm Praise Band/Singers Practice (GH)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2016
5:00 pm Ardent Folk Bible Conversation (UGS)
6:00 pm Ardent Folk Weekly Meal (FH/T)
6:45 pm Trudging the Road AA Group (109/110)
7:00 pm Ardent Folk Debriefing (L)
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (MR)
7:30 pm New Beginnings NA Meeting (Legacy - 101A/B)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2016
6:30 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Conversation (Bob Evans)
9:00 am Connect Bible Study (112)
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

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September Worship Leaders & Assistants

SEPTEMBER 3-4, 2016
5:00 p.m. – Yvonne Aasen
7:45 a.m. – Karen Ganjon
9:00 a.m. – Jan Mickey
Communion Assistants: Kim Eckenrode, Carrie Oddis, Debbie Null, Chad Plendl, Adam Fairchild
Ushers: Brian Sherfey, Kyle Sherfey, Dave Cox, Garrett Cox
10:30 a.m. – Greg Hare
Element Bearers – 9:00 a.m. – Trey & Stevie Flemming

SEPTEMBER 10-11, 2016 – ALL GRACE – RALLY DAY
5:00 p.m. – Laura Miller
10:00 a.m. – Ron Fairchild
Communion Assistants: Kara Schuster, Kayla Sherfey, Tyler Snyder, Adam Fairchild, Brian Sherfey
Ushers: Bill Comegna, John Myers, Don Hodges, Dena Hodges
Element Bearer – 10:00 a.m. – Caitlin Plendl

SEPTEMBER 17-18, 2016
5:00 p.m. – Bob Lichtfuss
7:45 a.m. – Craig Giles
9:00 a.m. – Stacey Tanzey
Communion Assistants: Steve Crews, Nancy Crews, Kathleen Casper, Michelle Harrod, Rich Chaney
Ushers: Linwood Van Horn, Confirmation Students (TBA)
11:15 a.m. – Charlie Beckhardt
Element Bearer – 9:00 a.m. – Kaylee Harris

SEPTEMBER 24-25, 2016
5:00 p.m. – Kay Betz, **Reader:** Meg McCulloch
7:45 a.m. – Nancy Brody
9:00 a.m. – Kathy Rehak
Communion Assistants: Chris Gilbart, Mandy Gilbart, Bill Comegna, Junior Zepp, Eileen Zepp
Ushers: Randy Bachtel, Confirmation Students (TBA)
11:15 a.m. – Florence Tucker
Element Bearer – 9:00 a.m. – Jaymee Swartzbaugh

September Altar Guild – **SANCTUARY & GRACE HALL** – Jim and Donna Helm

September Birthdays

September 1
Jacobson, Keith
Seipp, Darryl
Smith, Mellody
Smith, Aleah
Wiles, Earl

September 2
Bowers, Jerry
Hirt, Clyde

September 3
Cooper, Bonnie
Fordi, John
Gosaguio, Fernando
Warehime, Robert

September 4
Brown, Karen
Buscemi, Brooke
Flook, Tiffany
Moore, Braden

September 5
Bowman, Stacy
Janke, Rory
Janke, Reagan
Jenkins, Bruce
Kemph, Andrea
Michael, Donald
Scott, Lori
Sherlock, Heidi
Tyler, Pat

September 6
Charnley, Rachel
McLeod Rehak, Kathy
Plendl, Chad
Plendl, Caitlin
Zayed, Daniel

September 7
Alisauckas, Paula
Hiatt, Nancy
Hoff, Daniel
Rainey, Edward
Roach, Susan
Steers, Kathleen

September 8
Brynes, Lori
Holmes, John
Plendl, Brie
Ways, Jim

September 9
Connelly, Michael
DeGreif, Ryan
Mersinger, Lauren

September 10
Baker, Craig
Giles, Lois
Hadden, Auden
Merryman, Wanda

September 11
Czarnowsky, Lora
Dayhoff, Kevin
Gillispie, Joshua
Goetz, Daniel
Gretz, Ken
Harrison, Sandra
Michael, Hope
O'Connor, Tyler
Shimoda, Matthew

September 12
Dennis, Ralph
Fletcher, Shannon
Fletcher, Benjamin
Harris, Kaylee
Krichinsky, Michele

September 13
Dietz, Lenis
Erikson, Bill
Keefer, Jeff
Morrow, David
Seipp, Eric
Sherfey, Kara

September 14
Fendlay, Kyle
Hultstrand, Carl
Leppo, Chuck

September 15
Czarnowsky, Nathaniel
Glass, June
Hyle, Desirae

September 16
Jones, Madelyn
McCulloch, Carol
Paulsen, Kim
Peltier, Honesty
Porter, Suzie
Yarish, John

September 17
Scott, Claire

September 18
Beckhardt, Cyndy

September 19
Johnson, Zachary
Schaffer, Christopher

September 20
Baiocchi, Zachary
Bockmiller, Bill
Glass, John
Williams, Sydney
Zepp, Troy
Zepp, Junior

September 21
Eckenrode, Matt
King, Stephanie
Mays, Aubrey
Sackin, Rachel
Smith, Mitchell
Trotta, Katherine

September 22
Gregory, Christopher
Ryan, Jenny
Scott, Eric
Scott, Tommy

September 23
Borleis, Ryan
Capece, Cara
Comegna, Nancy
Deardorff, Ted
Knoedler, Sean
Linebaugh, Patti
Shackelford, Michele
Weaver, CeeCee

September 24
Henley, Kevin
McCloskey, Mitchell
Ott, Matthew

September 25
Degitz, Abbey
Makoutz, Carrick
Schneider, Christian
Schuchardt, James

September 26
Rosendahl, Stephanie

September 27
Barnes, Heather
Carbaugh, Jeffrey
Day, Brandy
Miller, Steve
Roach, Ryan
Strevig, Brielle

September 28
Clatterbuck, Nikki
Jones, Alison
Moore, John
Plendl, Barb

September 29
Bicking, Anna
Bittner, Amy
Ebeling, Emma
Huver, Randolph
Peltier, Imagine
Riley, Susan
Wright, William

September 30
Anderson, Aubrey
Trotta, Luke
Yingling, Jake

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, Captain Ryan Chaney, PFC Tyler Czarnowsky, Chris St. Germain, Steve Haines, Christopher Hutchins, Nathan Karlson, Adam Miller, Leah Miller, Steven P. Miller, Jr., Paul Roberts, Joel Whitson, and all those individuals serving in our military

Those in Convalescent, Nursing or Rehab Centers: Sarah Barnes, Elinor Causey, Nancy Garrett, Donald and Nancy Michael, Alice Midttun, Ilona Ries, Lillian Rosenberg, Ruth Senseney, Barbara Serghini, Ellen Terry, Charlotte Waltz, and Dottie Whitson

Continuing Prayers: Adams Family, Charles Adams, Kelly Adams, Family of Thelma Adams, Irene Bailey, The Bellgrau Family, Terri Bowers, Brian Bowersox, Lou Chappel, Cathy Chiaramonte, Dorien Cole, Kelly and Shaun Davis, Rocky and Bonnie Davis, Tom Dowling, Scott Eberts, Joseph Flemming, Peggy Fogle, Lynn Grim, Ann Grizzard, Dick Haines, Donna Helm, Gordon Jenkins, Kayala Plateel, Philip Kirk, Sandy and Walter Long, Chuck & Tammy Lowman, Don Ludwig, Laurie O'Banion, Dail Pease, Sandy Reilly, The St. Cross Family, Larry Stratton, Charlie Walkling, Michael Williams, Cade Wineke and Jessica Young

Global Ministry Partners: Pastors Eric and Wendolyn Trozzo serving in Malaysia, 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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UPCOMING WORSHIP SCHEDULE

September 3-4	5:00 Saturday 7:45, 9:00 & 10:30 Sunday Labor Day Weekend
September 10-11	5:00 Saturday **10:00 All Grace** Sunday Rally Day
September 17-18 and September 24-25	5:00 Saturday 7:45, 9:00, **11:15** Sunday Sunday School at 10:15