

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Saturday, October 29 and Sunday, October 30, 2016

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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 3 and under during the Education Hour.

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.

Due to ongoing renovations, Artist's Way will meet in the Parlor and Legacy will meet in the Library. Nursery will be in 103.

It's Operation Christmas Child Time!!



Next Sunday, our confirmation students will be packing boxes for Operation Christmas Child. You can help by providing items to go into the boxes. Items needed include: small toys and games, personal items, and school supplies. A note of encouragement and the message of Jesus' love will be added to every box.

Supplies for the confirmation classes to use are needed on November 6.

Families are encouraged to make a box together for Operation Christmas Child. Boxes and instructions are available in the Upper Gathering Space. Please return all boxes no later than November 13.

New Member Classes Begin

Are you interested in becoming a member of The Grace Lutheran Church Family? We will be receiving new members on the weekend of December 4. New member classes will be held during the Christian Education Hour at 10:15 a.m. in Room 105 on November 6, 13 and 20. Are you curious about Grace but still not certain about joining? You are welcome to attend the class as well and learn more about the life and ministries of Grace Lutheran Church. Please sign up for class by using the RCR card or emailing Pastor Kevin (kclementson@gracelc.org).



Advent Gathering

The annual Advent Gathering will be Sunday, November 20 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. We will have some traditions such as live Christmas music throughout the afternoon and a delicious meal from the Fellowship Committee as well as some new activities like a chance to learn how to play the bells! This year, we invite you to bring your favorite cookie(s); about 2 dozen, and the recipe. We will enjoy everyone's cookies that afternoon with our meal and turn the recipes into a book that will then be given out to the congregation...just in time to begin your holiday baking!



Thanksgiving Baskets



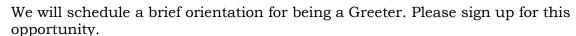
It is a Grace tradition to prepare and deliver Thanksgiving baskets to members and neighbors who can use a bit of help. In order to do this, we need participation from many people. You can help in a number of ways: bring in needed food items for the baskets, no later than November 13 and come to the Lower Gathering Space on Sunday, November 20 at 10:15 to put the baskets together. If you can help deliver, please contact Tim Stanton at timothy_stanton@verizon.net. Food that is needed:

small cans of gravy, sauerkraut, green beans, corn, applesauce, cranberry sauce and small boxes of stuffing mix. Your help is greatly appreciated!!!!

A Chance to Serve - Be a Greeter

The Evangelism Committee is beginning a project to recruit people who are willing to be Greeters before the worship services. We are looking for people who would be willing to come 30 minutes before the service to greet visitors and help them find their way in our complex building.

Please sign the RCR card, if you are willing to help in this way. You would be asked to be a Greeter no more than once a month. We can use members of any age. This could be a good project for a family, as well.





Harvest Hoop-Dee-Do



The Harvest Hoop-Dee-Do is **THIS SUNDAY beginning at 5:00 p.m.** in Grace Hall! All are invited and children are encouraged to wear their (non-scary) costumes! Adults can dress up too! We will have activities from 5:00-5:30, Trunk or Treating from 5:30-5:45, and the Chili Cook-Off from 5:45-7:00 p.m. We hope you will join us! *If you did not sign up to make chili or decorate a trunk but want to you are welcome!* Trunks need to be in the Winters Street lot ready to

go by 5:30 p.m. and chili can be checked in in the Upper Gathering Space when you arrive! We ask those decorating trunks to bring a bag or two of candy that can be sorted out so that every car has a regular basket and an allergy-friendly basket!

Corn Maize

On <u>Saturday</u>, <u>November 5</u> middle and high school students will be going to Winterbrook Farms in Thurmont for their Corn Maize and activities. We will meet in the Carroll Street parking lot at 11:00 a.m. and plan to return by 4:30 p.m. The cost is \$7.00 per person and students will need money for lunch. All activities on the farm are included except for the pumpkin cannons (4 shots for \$10.00; 2 shots for \$6.00) and we will NOT be going to the pumpkin patch. Friends are welcome. **Please sign up via RCR card by Sunday, October 30.** Parents if you are interested in going and able to help drive please sign up on the RCR card.



Shepherd's Staff "Call for Coats"

The Shepherd's Staff kicked off its "Call for Coats" Program on Monday, September 26. The Program runs from Monday, September 26 through Saturday, November 19. Drop off donations of new and gently used outerwear for infants through adults at Admiral Cleaners locations, co-sponsor of the Program. Call Kathy Taylor, 410-857-5944 at The Shepherd's Staff for other drop-off locations. Coats will be distributed FREE to Carroll County residents by The Shepherd's Staff at 30 Carroll Street, Westminster, MD throughout the cold weather months.



Invite a Seminarian to Lunch



This year, Beth Roegner, is the first year seminarian assigned to Grace for Ministry in Practice. Beth will be with us most Sundays between now and spring. As part of the learning experience, Beth is to have Sunday with a variety of people to learn more about the church and our ministry. Some weeks, she is ready to go to lunch at 11:15 and other weeks at 12:15. If you are able to host Beth (either at your home or in a restaurant), please sign the RCR and you will be contacted about an exact date. Previous seminarians have reported that this is a significant piece of their experience with us, so please join in hosting her if you can!

November Red Cross Blood Drive

Grace Lutheran is sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, November 14 from 2:00-7:30 p.m. in Grace Hall. Please call Emma Jane Weishaar at 410-848-1231 or email ejweishaar@comcast.net to schedule an appointment.



The Homeless in Carroll County Need Your Help



It is time to prepare for another season of service at the Cold Weather Shelter (CWS). The CWS provides a safe overnight refuge for the homeless who would otherwise be left out in the elements. November 15—March 31, 7:00 pm until 7:00 am, the Shelter opens every night, to allow those in need a warm place to sleep and a hot meal. Grace Lutheran has accepted the responsibility of providing a meal for the shelter one night per week during this time. We divide the duties of cooking casseroles and serving dinner at the shelter 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 CWS 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 arriving at the church on Saturday at 4:30. In our kitchen you will heat the pre-made casseroles and then transport them to the shelter (off Stoner Avenue) to serve the evening's guest. The time commitment for this is roughly 4:30-7:30/8. You must be over 18 and the schedule usually calls for service once every 4-6 weeks, not every Saturday. We have a team of volunteers that rotate serving.

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 labeled "CWS."

It is only 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 contact me. Sandy Hoff, 410-857-1197, 443-324-7481, SandyHoff@comcast.net or use the RCR card.

WELCA - Gift Boxes for Seafarer's

The WELCA will meet on Monday, November 21 in the Library at 1:30pm. We will be packing boxes for the International Seafarer's Center at the Port of Baltimore. Some crew members earn less than \$1,000 a month, so these boxes make a big difference in their lives. Even those earning more are moved to know that others are thinking of them and praying for them. One officer commented that he still treasures a ditty bag with a sewing kit which he was given in a Christmas at Sea box thirty years ago!

If you'd like to contribute to this project, the following articles are needed:

- Toiletries (no shaving cream and no unwrapped soap or toothbrushes)
- Warm hats, scarves (most of the seafarers are men)
- Warm socks and gloves (small men's)
- Pens and pads of paper
- Playing cards
- Postcards of Baltimore

Women of the ELCA

Collection boxes will be in both Upper and Lower Gathering Spaces for your convenience in early November. **Donations need to be turned in by Sunday, November 13**. We can also use some extra shoeboxes (in small sizes ... no boot boxes) if you have any.

DURING WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Preacher: Pastor Martha Clementson

November Altar Guild: Cyndy Beckhardt & Brenda Lightner (S), Nancy Suder (GH)

SERVING NEXT WEEK - November 5 & 6:

Worship Assistants: (5:00) Laura Heller,

(7:45) Beth Roegner, (9:00) Pete Tabatsko, (11:15) Stephanie Schneider

Communion Assistants: (9:00) Bill Comegna, Kathleen Casper, Michelle Harrod, Junior Zepp, Eileen Zepp

Ushers: (9:00) Linwood Van Horn, Rick Dorsey,

Ben Dorsey, O'Ryan Weaver

Element Bearer: (9:00) Brooke Buscemi

<u>SERVING THIS WEEK - October 29 & 30:</u> Worship Assistants: (5:00) Yvonne Aasen,

(7:45) Kathy Bare, (9:00) Pete Tabatsko,

(11:15) Beth Roegner

Communion Assistants: (9:00) Chris Gilbart, Mandy Gilbart, Steve Crews, Nancy Crews, Dave Cox

Ushers: (9:00) Randy Bachtel, Erin Saunders,

Theresa Saunders, Theresa Harrod,

Michelle Harrod

Element Bearers: (9:00) Michael Vadder &

Henry Vadder

October 17—October 24, 2016: (5:00) 35 (7:45) 24 (9:00) 176 (11:15) 55 (TOTAL) 290 (Ordination/Consecration) 315

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, Donald and Nancy Michael, Alice Midttun, Ilona Ries, Lillian Rosenberg, Ruth Senseney, Barbara Serghini, Eleanore Spears, Ellen Terry and Charlotte Waltz

<u>Continuing Prayers:</u> Charles Adams, Kelly Adams, Irene Bailey, The Bellgrau Family, Sherry Blaze, Jerry Bowers, Terri Bowers, Brian Bowersox, Peter Boyce, Kevin Campbell, Lou Chappel, Cathy Chiaramonte, Dorien Cole, Rocky and Bonnie Davis, Tom Dowling, Scott Eberts, Joseph Flemming, Peggy Fogle, Bill and Marion Fourhman, Lynn Grim & Family, Dick Haines, Gordon Jenkins, Philip Kirk, Sandy and Walter Long, Don Ludwig, Rose Ann Meinecke, Laurie O'Banion, Dail Pease, Charlie & Carol Plunkert, Rita Petry, Sandy Reilly, Andrew Schaber, The St. Cross Family, Charlie Walkling, Cade Wineke, Michael Williams, 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.

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Sunday, October 30

7:45 am Traditional Worship (S) 9:00 am Praise Worship (GH)

10:15 am Christian Education Hour (various)

11:15 am Traditional Worship (S)

5:00 pm Harvest Hoop-Dee-Do (various)

Monday, October 31

6:00 pm Cub Scouts (Various) 7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Legacy) 8:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)



Tuesday, November 1

12:00pm 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 Meeting (107)

7:00 pm Youth & Family Ministries (112)

Wednesday, November 2

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

Thursday, November 3

5:00 pm Ardent Folk Bible Conversation (UGS)
5:00 pm Shepherd's Staff Fund Dev. (108)
6:00 pm Ardent Folk Weekly Meal (FH/T)
6:45 pm Trudging the Road AA (109/110)
7:00 pm Ardent Folk Debriefing (L)
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (MR)
7:30 pm New Beginnings NA (Legacy)
7:50 pm Festival Choir Rehearsal (MR)

(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

Friday, November 4

6:30 am Men's Bkfst & Bible (Bob Evans) 9:00 am Connect Bible Study (112) 8:00 pm Turning Point AA Meeting (109/110)

Saturday, November 5

9:00 am First Communion Class (FH)
11:00 am Corn Maize (Carroll Street Lot)
5:00 pm Fair Trade Coffee Sale (LGS)
5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)

Sunday, November 6

7:30 am Fair Trade Coffee Sale (LGS) 7:45 am Traditional Worship (S) 9:00 am Praise Worship (GH)

10:15 am Christian Education Hour (various)

10:15 am New Member Class (105) 11:15 am Traditional Worship (S)





SAVE THE DATE!

Grace Boomers Christmas Party Saturday, December 3 7:00 pm

To be held at the home of Harry and Cathy Barnes

