

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Saturday, January 14 and Sunday, January 15, 2017

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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 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.

Update Your Email and Cell Phone Information

The Church Office is attempting to update emails and cell phones of our members and friends. Please take the time to sign the RCR card today, giving your name and your email address and your cell phone number. Even if you think the office has the correct information, please submit it so that we can double check accuracy. We will be asking people to do this over the next several weeks. You only need to respond once! Thank you for your help!

Health Care Ministry

Grace is currently developing a new Health Care Ministry. At the beginning of this year, we welcomed Marilyn Hanchett Brown as a non-stipendiary staff member to serve as Parish Nurse. If you'd like to participate or learn more about this ministry, please join us on Wednesday, January 18 at 7:00 p.m.

Flowers for 2017

Many weekends are still available for flower donations. Please be sure to sign the chart in the Cloister for the Sanctuary and the Upper Gathering Space for Grace Hall. The cost of flowers is \$40 per week. This is a wonderful way to remember or honor a loved one or a special occasion.



<u>Young Adult Retreat</u> – We all need a time to "retreat"; a chance to break out of our normal routine and just take a minute to "Wonder." The Delaware-Maryland Synod is offering a Young Adult (ages 18-35) Retreat at Mar-Lu-Ridge <u>February 24-26</u>. We ask that you cover half of the registration cost (\$70) and Grace will cover the other half. If you are interested please fill out the registration form (found on the Grace website) and submit it to Leanne Elliott by Sunday January 22.



Lenten Video Devotions – This year, we are going to provide a devotion each weekday during the season of Lent. The devotions will reflect on very specific parts of the Small Catechism (10 Commandments, Apostles' Creed, Lord's Prayer, the Sacraments and prayer). We are about ready to make assignments so that participants will have plenty of time to develop their videos. It's easy to do....you can make your video with a smartphone or iPad. Pastor Martha can help you with the content (if you need help) and Vince Buscemi will answer your questions about recording. Your assignment will come with instructions! If you are interested in participating and have not previously signed the RCR card, please do so today!

<u>Coming in February.....Faith, Sexism, Justice...</u> – Grace is embarking on an important discussion along with other ELCA congregations. "Faith, Sexism, Justice" will focus on the topic of justice for women in church and society. In this conversation we will learn skills that can be applied to difficult conversations in other places in our lives.

Please join the pastors and a leadership team for these events on Sundays, February 12, 19 & 26 from 12:30–3:00 p.m. Lunch is included at 12:30. Free babysitting is available.

We hope you will join in this important conversation. Sign the RCR card today if you are interested!

Labyrinth Opening – Beginning on February 5, Grace's Labyrinth will be open on the First Sunday of every month from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. You are welcome to come anytime during that time to walk the labyrinth or to simply sit in Grace Hall enjoying the quiet, sacred space.

<u>Bible Study on Forgiveness</u> – Forgiveness can be a tricky thing! It is at the very heart of our Christian faith. Yet, all too often we are reluctant to accept it for ourselves and even more reluctant to offer it to others (especially if it involves multiple times!) We find reconciliation so difficult to do.

Join Pastor Martha for a winter Bible Study that will touch your life personally. Bible Study will be offered on Thursdays in February:

February 2 – Jonah: When God Forgives the Guilty

February 9 – Jesus and the evil eye: When God Blesses the Undeserving

February 16 – Paul and the Power of Failure

February 23 - Treasure in Clay Jars: Reconciliation

The Bible Study will be offered from 1:30-3:00 and from 7:00-8:30 as long as there are at least six people desiring a particular time. The study is open to men and women. All are welcome to join in study. Please sign the RCR card if you plan to participate in this study.

DURING WORSHIP THIS WEEK

Preacher: Pastor Martha Clementson

January Altar Guild: Evelyn Babylon & Caroline Babylon (S, GH)



SERVING THIS WEEK - January 14 & 15:

Worship Assistants: (5:00) Kay Betz, (7:45) Kathy Bare, (9:00) Kathy Rehak,

(11:15) Rich Schuster

Communion Assistants: (9:00) Tyler Snyder, Adam Fairchild, Craig Giles, Don Meyers, Beth Meyers

Ushers: (9:00) Bob Spreitzer, Jocelyn Spreitzer,

Cade Spreitzer, Acton Spreitzer

Element Bearers: (9:00) Jacob DeGreif &

Sierra DeGreif

SERVING NEXT WEEK - January 21 & 22:

Worship Assistants: (5:00) Bob Lichtfuss, (7:45) Nancy Brody, (9:00) Kayla Sherfey,

(11:15) Greg Hare

Communion Assistants: (9:00) Leanne Elliott, Dotti Morano, Pete Morano, Rich Chaney, Carrie Oddis

Ushers: (9:00) Don Meyers, Beth Meyers,

Theresa Harrod, Michele Harrod

Element Bearers: (9:00) Emma Riley &

Warren Myers

The flowers in the **Sanctuary** are given in memory of William Mazurek by Barbara Mazurek and Jerry Bowers.

<u>January 2—January 8, 2017</u>: (Bible Conversations) 8 (5:00) 30 (7:45) 23 (9:00) 221 (11:15) 101 (TOTAL) 383



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 <u>dstem@gracelc.org</u>.

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, Lieutenant Tyler B. Yingling 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, Lillian Rosenberg, Ruth Senseney, Barbara Serghini, Eleanore Spears, Ellen Terry and Charlotte Waltz

Continuing Prayers: Charles Adams, Kelly Adams, Kelly Allen, Mel Arbaugh, Irene Bailey, Heather Barnes, Marion Bauman, The Bellgrau Family, Catherine Booth, Terri Bowers, Brian Bowersox, Peter Boyce, Kyle Bruchey, Kevin Campbell, Doreen Capece and Family, Seria Carter & Family, Lou Chappel, Cathy Chiaramonte, Dorien Cole, Iva Crawford, Rocky and Bonnie Davis, Tom Dowling, Scott Eberts, Joseph Flemming, Peggy Fogle, Barbara & Jack Gibbons, Bernadette Gray, Family of Stephen Michael Grimes, Dick Haines, Gordon Jenkins, Philip Kirk, Jeff Landy, Kevin Lesniewski, Sandy and Walter Long, Don Ludwig, Richard Mason, Family of Laurie O'Banion, Dail Pease, Linda Pixton & The Pixton Family, Charlie & Carol Plunkert, Rita Petry, Sandy Reilly, Kriss Russell, Andrew Schaber, The St. Cross Family, William Staup, Tiffany Stoddard, Betty Thomas, Teresa Walkling, Bonnie Warehime, Paul Wilhelm, Penny Wilhelm, Larry Williams, Michael Williams, Cade Wineke and Jessica Young

Seminarians: Nancy Brody, Kali Saint-Wyatt and Beth Roegner

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, January 15

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)

Monday, January 16

7:00 pm Church Council Meeting (108)

8:30 pm AA Meeting (109/110)

Tuesday, January 17

12:00 pm Historical Society Box Lunch (GH) 12:00pm Table of Grace Soup Kitchen (FH/T)

4:15 pm Children's Chorus

Rehearsal (FH, T, MR)

7:00 pm Christian Education Meeting (107)

Wednesday, January 18

5:00 pm TOPS Weight Loss Club (111)
7:00 pm Health Ministry Meeting (108)
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, January 19

4:30 pm Shepherd's Staff Fund Dev. Mtg (108)
5:00 pm Ardent Folk Bible Conversation (UGS)
6:00 pm Ardent Folk Weekly Meal (FH/T)
6:30 pm LFOG Board Meeting (107)
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)

Volunteers Needed

Lori Graham has done an awesome job as the power point operator at the 9:00 Sunday services since we began in Grace Hall. She is now stepping down from this job as a regular every Sunday operator. It would be great if we could find 3 or 4 people to help with this job on a one Sunday a month rotation. The only skill required is to follow the service and advance the power point slides. If you would be interested in helping at Grace in this way, please contact Jan Mickey,

<u>imickey52@yahoo.com</u> or 410-409-9201 or Erik Piisila, epiisila@gracelc.org or 443-340-4442.

Friday, January 20

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

Saturday, January 21

8:30 am Red Cross Basic Life Support
Training Class(109/110)
2:00 pm Historical Society County Birthday
Celebration (GH)
5:00 pm Traditional Worship (S)
6:00 pm Saturday Night NA (Legacy)

Sunday, January 22

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)

(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

In the event of inclement

weather, please check our website (www.gracelc.org) or contact one of the pastors by cell phone (Pastor Kevin 410-259-1586 or Pastor Martha 410-259-9054).



Grace Lutheran is sponsoring a **Red Cross Blood Drive** on Monday, January 23 from 2-7:30 p.m. in Grace Hall.

Please schedule an appointment by calling Emma Jane Weishaar at 410-848-1231 or e-mail ejweishaar@comcast.net