



To Glorify God,
To Grow in Faith
To Give in Service
Together in Christ

Grace Lutheran Church

Sunday, March 3 2019 – Transfiguration Sunday

Announcements

As you face the rear of the sanctuary from inside, a nursery area is available on the other side of the doors to the left. Restrooms are available after passing through the doors on the right.

Busy Bags for young children are available hanging on the tall wooden rack in the Narthex by the Pastor's office door. Please feel free to pick one up so your small children can enjoy quiet play during the worship service.

We may be taking photos or video recordings during Grace Events. You will be giving your consent that any pictures and/or video taken may be published and/or distributed by Grace Lutheran Church (i.e. Facebook, website, promotional materials) by attending these events. Please let a church council member know if you would prefer that you and/or your child's image not be used.

Name Tags- There is a box with name tag holders and blank name tags with sharpies on the table in the narthex. So that Pastor Peterman has an opportunity to learn the names of the Grace Family, could you please fill out a name tag to wear over the next several weeks?

Communion Choice: White grape juice is available for you to choose during communion. The white grape juice is in small communion cups in a silver tray on a table located at the right front row of chairs near the altar. As you approach the altar you may take a glass from the tray with you to the altar. When the chalice is brought to you, you drink the cup of grape juice. Empty cups may be returned to the empty side of the tray.

The Altar Flowers this week have been sponsored by Joanne Moyer in Memory of her mother Ginny Kaler's birthday and Karen Heacock in Honor of her mother Helen Wolf's birthday.

The Bulletins this week have been sponsored by: Charlie and Andrea Roney in Honor of our 40th Wedding Anniversary.

Temple Talk: Today Jean Shaffer will speak about the **Rice Bowl Project** which begins **March 10** and continues through the season of Lent.

The new **Word in Season** devotionals are in the basket under the bulletin board in the narthex.

The Transition Leadership Team (TLT) is being created by Council for the interim time to help lead the transition study that will create the Ministry Site Profile (MSP) required by the bishop's office to enter the call process for Grace's new pastor. Pastor Peterman will chair the effort.

Together Pastor and TLT will host a series of congregational gatherings (3-5) to reflect on Grace's heritage as a congregation, who the congregation is uniquely now, what special ministry Grace is called to in this next phase of its life, and what kind of pastor would best serve to lead the congregation into that future.

Attendance at meetings will be important, but the team will decide together when to meet. The time commitment in the 1st year is an important consideration -- twice a month until the MSP is concluded. (Our goal will be to

submit the MSP by one year from Pastor Peterman's arrival on 2/18.)

The experience will be crucial for Grace because this group, with the Council, and with the whole congregation at the all-congregational gatherings, will set the direction of Grace moving forward. It is challenging but exciting work! For any further questions, please do not hesitate to ask Pastor Peterman.

Grace is offering Financial Peace University

Financial Peace University is a nine-lesson, money-management class taught by America's most trusted financial guru, Dave Ramsey. Dave and his teaching team will walk you through the basics of budgeting, dumping debt, planning for the future, and much more. And now you can experience this life-changing group the way that's best for you: with other people in a local group, online at your own pace or both! Classes are open to anyone in the community and will be held on Thursday nights starting on **January 24, 2019**. For more info, check out the website: <http://www.fpu.com/1079426>

Fastnacht Day Tuesday, March 5, 2019. Please take note of the two posters on our bulletin board, one from Zwingli UCC and the other from Little Zion offering you the opportunity to pre-order Fastnachts prior to Ash Wednesday, March 6. Phone numbers and pertinent information are listed.

Ash Wednesday Services this week on Wednesday, March 6, 2019: Services with Holy Communion and the imposition of ashes will be held at **noon and 7:30 pm**. After the noon service, you are invited to a soup luncheon.

Rice Bowl Project begins Sunday, March 10th: During the Lenten Season you have the opportunity to help others through our **Rice Bowl** project. **In your offering envelope box, special envelopes are provided for each of the six Sundays in Lent.** Envelopes are also available at the Rice Bowl Display in the narthex. A special offering will be collected during each of the Sundays in Lent. Our gifts will be shared with three organizations: The **Hatfield Food Cupboard** at Emmanuel Evangelical Congregational Church in Hatfield, **Manna on Main Street** in Lansdale and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America **World Hunger**. It is our hope that you will consider giving your extra gifts by simplifying your life in some way or by making an intentional effort to put others before your needs and wants. The Rice Bowl allows small gifts to come together to make a big difference in the lives of those in need. *The Giving in Service Team*

Benefit Days at O'Grady's for the Lutheran Community at Telford – March 11th thru March 15th for breakfast, lunch or dinner and 10% will be donated to The Lutheran Community at Telford. Tickets are on the bulletin board in the narthex.

Wednesday Community Lenten Services

March 13 – Father Robert Tufton @ Emmanuel EC Church – “Salt and Light” Matthew 5:13-16

March 20 – Rev. Marianne Unger @ Hatfield Church of the Brethren – “Prayer and Fasting” Matthew 6:5-18

March 27 – Pastor Glenn Lambert @ St. Maria Goretti “Do Not Worry” Matthew 6:25-34

April 3 – Deacon @ Heidelberg UCC “Judge Not” Matthew 7:1-5

April 10 – Pastor Clay Moyer @ Grace Lutheran Church “Build on Rock” Matthew 7:24-27

YOGA (Hatha) CLASS - All-levels. Yoga will be held again on Wednesdays through March 27, 2019, from 6:30 to 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$5 per class. Questions call Kathy Stawasz 215-760-6297.

Attendance 2/17/2019 8:00 – 17, 10:30 - 37
General Fund - \$1,733 Capital Fund - \$100

Help Needed: The Altar Guild is in need of additional members. We especially need help at the 8:00 service. The 10:30 service could also use more help. Duties involve setting up and clearing the communion table. Friendly instruction will be provided. Please contact Emily Woltmann (215) 822-5909 if you are able to help, even for just a couple of Sundays throughout the year. Thank you.

Church Council has decided to make a memorial contribution to Sharon Lutheran Church, where Pastor Robert Doll is currently serving, in memory of his wife Dawn. Council members and friends of Grace who would also like to make a contribution to be sent at the same time, are asked to place a gift in the offering by Sunday, March 17. Make the envelope or memo line "Doll Memorial."

Who Are These People?

After each service, there is a member of Council standing next to Pastor. They are there to wish you a wonderful week plus hear any of your questions or concerns. If you have any questions during this time of transition or any time for that matter, please ask them.

Serving Volunteers

Acolyte 8:00 am Ken Seiler
Olivia and Frank Stone II 10:30 am
Altar Guild 8:00 am Nancy Sellers & Wendy Walters
10:30 am – Lori Pluda
Comm. Assistant 8:00 am Karen Seiler
10:30 am Lori Pluda
Council Sender & Offering counter 8 am Joanne Moyer
10:30 am Bob Reilly
Lector 8 am Kitty Heckler
10:30 am Frank Stone II
Ushers 8:00 am – Ken Seiler & Bob Smyrl
10:30 am John and Bonnie Stangl
Greeter 8:00 am Peggy Schmidt
10:30 am Kay Deussing
Nursery: 10:30 Kathy Stawasz and Kay Stone
Flower Delivery Betty Murray

In Our Prayers

John Fischer Bob Kaler
Marilyn Homan Wendy Amparano
Joan Lattanze Jim Pluda
Suzanne Colville Pam and Fred Matolicz
Paige Haldeman Al Godshall
Nancy Sellers Laura Cooper
Bob Swillo Elijah Krout
Sue Deitch Ambrose Marchiano
Beth Brown Jean Goetter
Joe Hopkins Xavier Jackson
Muriel Rosenfelt Silvia Light
Kristopher Yoder Chip Wood
Dorene Bobb Layla Lapino
Keira Drissel Cassi Lambert
Mandie and Emmett Helen Godshall
Tina Blain (Friend of the MacDonald's)
Jennifer Kaler-Thomas
John Cisler Ron and Karen Hudson
Margaret Stangl Annette Beyer
Dale Moyer Richard Badman
Ralph and Carol Buffone
Hal Williams (Carol MacDonald's Dad)
Cindy Kunkel Shannon Ryan
Bob Darde Joan Amundsen
Andy Armstrong (Friend of the MacDonald's)
The Family and Friends of Pastor Robert Doll (spouse Dawn passed away)
The Family and Friends of Charles and Andrea Roney (Charles' Mother passed away)

This Week at Grace

Sun.	March 3
8:00 am	Worship/Communion
9:15 am	Sunday School
10:30 am	Worship & Communion
12:30 pm	Central Phila. Korean Church
Mon	March 4
7:15 pm	Communications – M/R
Tues.	March 5
7:00 pm	Stitchers – M/R
Wed.	March 6
11 am	WELCA
Noon	Ash Wednesday Service (Lunch Follows)
7:30 pm	Ash Wednesday Service
Thurs.	March 7
6:30 pm	Financial Peace University-F/H
Sun.	March 10
8:00 am	Worship/Communion
9:15 am	SCS
10:30 am	Worship/Communion
12:30 pm	Central Phila. Korean Church

Grace-Full Questions for the Transfiguration

1. The apostle Paul encourages people in the church at Corinth not to lose heart. Where do you find yourself getting discouraged in your life of faith?
2. Scripture repeatedly shows us examples of people being changed by their encounter with God. Though Moses seemed unaware of his glowing face as he came down the mount, he was changed. Have you seen the glory of God shining forth because of another person's encounter with God? In his or her actions? How or where?

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Note: As you get to know Pastor Peterman, would all of you help her get the news of who is ill, in crisis, or needs pastoral care? She is off Fridays & Saturdays, but please use her cell phone for pastoral emergencies.