



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

Grace Lutheran Church
Sunday, December 9, 2018 – Advent 2

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.

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 Pastor Lutcher, or a church council member, know if you would prefer that you and/or your child's image not be used.

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: Dee Mancuso in honor of the birthday of her daughter Terry.

The Bulletins this week have been sponsored by: Richard R. Badman in honor of the birthday of his daughter-in-law Lonna.

The Eternal Light Candle:

Confirmation Class Schedule for Grades 6 and over: Dec. 16, Jan. 13 and 20, all at 6:30 pm

Advent Devotional Stars are available in the narthex for your Christmas devotion preparation. They are a gift from our United Lutheran Seminary.

Poinsettia Orders: Poinsettias will be available for decoration of our chancel. Order forms can be found in the Narthex. The deadline to order the poinsettias is **Today!** If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Stawasz

Adopt-A-Family Christmas Project: Awesome – Amazing – THANK YOU!! You have signed up for all the gifts for our three families! The confirmation class has finished their shopping! If you still want to participate in this project you may purchase a gift card from Walmart, Giant or Target. Our families have everyday needs and can use the gift cards for these. Or you may purchase items for the **Angel Boxes**. A list of suggested items is in the basket by the Angel Gifts. **ALL gifts are due by next Sunday, December 16th.**

December Bible Study will be held Wednesday, **December 19** at 11 am. All are welcome as we study one of the Scripture lessons for the upcoming Sunday.

Christmas Caroling Today! We will have a pizza lunch after the 10:30 service, followed by traveling to some of our shut-ins to sing and share joy with them. If you come, you will get more than you put into the day! We will be finished by 3 pm.

Stepping Stones Christmas Program will be held this Wednesday morning, **December 12** at 10:15 am. You are invited to share in the celebration and joy of our children as they share the holidays with us.

Jesus Birthday Party Next Saturday, December 15 10 Am-12 noon for children of all ages. Come hear the Christmas message, make crafts, have Birthday cake and sing songs. This is a great (grand)-parent child event to share. Meet in the Fellowship Hall. Please use the sign-up sheet to help us prepare better. Any questions contact Lori Pluda

December 24 Christmas Eve Communion

Candlelight Services will be held at 4 pm and 9 pm. Now is the time to invite someone to attend worship and celebrate the coming of the Christ Child with you at Grace.

At the worship services on Christmas Eve, we will have a parking attendant at the circle for those who wish may be dropped off to enter church or to have their car parked if needed.

Sunday, December 31 – There will be **one** worship service at 9:15 am and **no** Sunday School that day.

2019 Offering Envelopes – Please pick up your offering envelopes for next year and for your family and neighbors. Your delivery saves Grace postage!

YOGA (Hatha) CLASS Back by Popular Demand at Grace - All-levels. Yoga will begin again on January 2, 2019 and run through March 27, 2019, from 6:30 to 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Temple University Researchers are looking for people over 65 years old who receive Home and Community Based Services to provide feedback on survey questions being developed. Participation involves meeting with researchers for a 1-2 hour interview. \$20 cash incentive offered. If you or someone you know meets these criteria, please pick up a flyer in the narthex to share. Contact Laura Slugg at laura.slugg@temple.edu or 215-429-0005 for more information.

ATTENTION All Serving Volunteers: Thank you for serving in 2018. It is that time of year when we put together the 2019 serving schedule. If we do not hear from you we will keep you on the schedule. We are also looking for NEW volunteers. Please feel free to talk to anyone in charge of a serving area to find out more about the duties. Thanks!

8/10:30 Serving Contacts:
Altar Guild- Emily Woltmann

Com. Assistant- Carol MacDonald
 Lectors- Karen Seiler
 Acolytes- Kathy Stawasz
 Ushers- Kay Stone
 Greeters-Tami Sarm
 Coffee Hour- Lori Pluda

10:30 Serving Schedule Contacts

Nursery- Kathy Stawasz
 Flower Delivery- Kathy Stawasz
 Paraments- Emily Woltmann

Attendance-12/02/2018 8 am – 19, 10:30 – 38
General Fund - \$2,046; Capital Fund - \$545

Serving Volunteers

Acolyte 8 am Walter Family
 10:30 am Wyeth Slugg & Seth Hercolini
Altar Guild 8 am Wendy Walter
 10:30 am Kay Stone & Tami Sarm
Comm. Assistant 8 am Karen Seiler
Advent Candle Lighters 8 am – Walter Family
 10:30 am - Bob and Mary Catherine Reilly
Council Sender & Offering counter 8 am Joanne Moyer
 10:30 am Jaime Snyder
Lector 8 am Mickey Koffel
 10:30 am Laura Slugg
Ushers 8 am- Walter Family
 10:30 Harold Schaefer & Rich Woltmann
Greeter 10:30 am Barbara Watts
Nursery (only at 10:30) The Slugg Family
Flower Delivery Carol MacDonald

In Our Prayers

<i>John Fischer</i>	<i>Bob Kaler</i>
<i>Marilyn Homan</i>	<i>Wendy Amparano</i>
<i>Joan Lattanze</i>	<i>Tina Blain</i>
<i>Suzanne Colville</i>	<i>Pam and Fred Matolicz</i>
<i>Paige Haldeman</i>	<i>Al Godshall</i>
<i>Nancy Sellers</i>	<i>Laura Cooper</i>
<i>Bob Swillo</i>	<i>Elijah Krout</i>
<i>Sue Deitch</i>	<i>Marianne Grubb</i>
<i>B.J. Moyer-Kuhn</i>	<i>Beth Brown</i>
<i>Joe McGlinchey</i>	<i>Joe Hopkins</i>
<i>Muriel Rosenfelt</i>	<i>Dawn Doll</i>
<i>Silvia Light</i>	<i>Kristopher Yoder</i>
<i>Dorene Bobb</i>	<i>Layla Lapino</i>
<i>Keira Drissel</i>	<i>Cassi Lambert</i>
<i>Ginger Rittenhouse</i>	<i>Holnick</i>
<i>Rich Woltmann</i>	<i>Maryann Kratz</i>
<i>Kim Stangl</i>	<i>Mandie and Emmett</i>
<i>Tina Blain</i>	<i>Jennifer Kaler-Thomas</i>
<i>Margaret Stangl</i>	<i>John Cisler</i>
<i>John Stangl</i>	<i>Annette Beyer</i>
<i>Dale Moyer</i>	<i>Richard Badman</i>
<i>Ralph and Carol Buffone</i>	
<i>Cindy Kunkel</i>	<i>Ron and Karen Hudson</i>
<i>Joyce Salter</i>	<i>Helen Godshall</i>
<i>Xavier Jackson</i>	
<i>The Family of Michael Renner</i>	
<i>The Family of Jacob Bregler, Tami Sarm's father</i>	
<i>The Family of Rev. Paul Bittner</i>	
<i>The Family of Bob Lutcher, Pastor Lutcher's father</i>	
<i>The Family of William J. Schmidt, nephew of the Roney family</i>	
<i>The Family of Bill Forst</i>	

The Moyer Family has made available a website – Caring Bridge – to follow Dale’s progress through his recovery from heart surgery. You may read the journal entries by logging on to www.CaringBridge.com. You will be asked to join by creating a password which will allow you access to read the entries.

This Week at Grace

Sun.	December 9 – Advent 2
8 am	Worship/Communion
9:15 am	Sunday School
10:30 am	Worship
12:30 pm	Central Philadelphia Korean Church
Mon.	December 10
7:30 pm	Christian Connections M/R
Tues.	December 11
7:15 pm	Worship and Music M/R
Wed.	December 12
10:15 am	Stepping Stones Christmas Program-Sanctuary & F/H
Thurs.	December 13
7:15 pm	Choir Practice
Fri.	December 14
	Setup for Jesus’ Birthday Party
Sat.	December 15
10 am to Noon	Jesus’ Birthday Party – F/H
Sun.	December 16 – Advent 3
8 am	Worship/Communion
9:15 am	Sunday School
10:30 am	Worship
12:30 pm	Central Philadelphia Korean Church
6:30 pm	Confirmation – M/R

Grace-Full Questions for 2nd Sunday of Advent:

1. Have you heard about God by an unusual person like John, or in an unusual way?
2. John calls for “a repentance” a “turning around.” Can you think of a time your life was going in the wrong direction and did a turn around to make things better?
3. How has God changed you and your life? What still needs to change?

Key verse:

John fulfilled the words of the prophet Isaiah, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: “Prepare the way of the Lord.”

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