



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

**Grace Lutheran Church  
August 4, 2019-Eighth Sunday After Pentecost**

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

*If you would like to use one of our new hearing assist devices, please speak to an usher.*

**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.

**This Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>. Summer Lutheran Cluster Service!** Join our neighboring churches for worship - Advent (Harleysville), Little Zion (Telford), Christ (Kulpville), Emmanuel (Souderton), and St. Paul's (Telford). The six cluster churches will worship together at **Emmanuel Lutheran in Souderton at 10 am. (NOTE: There is no service at Grace on Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>)**

**Offering at the cluster worship service:** All offering envelopes received for each of the churches will be sent back to the congregations. The plate offering for August 4<sup>th</sup> will be divided between Keystone Opportunity Center and the ELCA World Hunger Appeal, which meets the needs of hungry people both in the US and abroad.

The guest preacher will be Lutheran Pastor and teacher, The Rev. Dr. Nelson Rivera who teaches theology at Moravian Seminary in Bethlehem, and was recently a long-time faculty member at United Lutheran Seminary in Philadelphia. Dr. Rivera will also lead the Adult Forum at 9 am, reflecting on Lutheran materials on immigration back to 1998, long before the current crisis. Using the topic "I was a stranger and you welcomed me..." Pastor Rivera will lead participants to consider what the bible tells us about how to treat the immigrant and stranger, as well as a reflection on ELCA teaching materials, copies of which are available on the information table

in the narthex for those who want to consider in advance of Sunday.

Lunch follows worship. Grace members are invited to bring a dessert to share. Please join your neighbors for a joyous morning of worship and fellowship.

**Our next Grace Picnic will be held this Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>** at the home of Peggy and Bruce Schmidt - 155 Forest Way, Hatfield. Come anytime during the evening as your schedule allows. This is a great time to catch up with Grace Friends during the summer when our schedules are busy with traveling and family activities. Bring your favorite picnic dish to share and a lawn chair or blanket. If you have a favorite outdoor game to share, bring it too. Event is rain or shine!! If you would like more information about our Wednesday Evening Picnics or need transportation, please contact Kay Stone. Our last picnic of the summer will be held on **August 21st at Grace.**

**Grace's Daytime Bible Study** - The next scheduled Bible Study will be Wednesday, **August 21, 11 am to noon.** The Bible study will be hosted at the home of Joan Amundsen. Interested in attending? Call the church office or the pastor for the address. Bring your Bible. All

**Update to Food Cupboard Items Needed:** At present these are some of the most wanted items that we can share with the food cupboard: Boxed plain pasta, Chunky Soups (low-sodium), Tomato Soup (low sodium), 1 or 2 pounds of plain white rice (not Minutes rice), canned mushrooms, canned olives, toothpaste, laundry detergent. Thank you for continuing to support the Food Cupboard at Emmanuel Evangelical Congregational Church (EEC) in Hatfield. Your gifts of food help those in our area who are in need.

**YOGA (Hatha) CLASS Back by Popular Demand. Class will begin on Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>** and run each week through **December 11, 2019** (except 11/27/19) from 6:30-7:30 pm. All-levels. Poses and sequences will work on using all parts of the body, and will vary from week to week. This will be suitable for those with some yoga experience but also for anyone with little to none, as options will be offered for the various poses. The goal is to work on strength and flexibility gradually while gaining an ability to focus on breath and awareness.

- **Where:** Grace Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, 40 N. Main Street, Hatfield, PA
- **Cost:** \$5/class or \$65 for all 13 classes (Make checks payable to: Grace Lutheran Church)
- **Who:** Ages 18 and up
- **What is needed:** exercise mat (let me know if you need one) Invite a friend or family member everyone is welcome. Contact Kathy Stawasz if interested.

**The Lutheran Community at Telford** is offering a CNA Training Program: Classes are held for 5 weeks (3 days/week) totaling 120 hours and approved by the PA Department of Education. LCT offers: Paid classes, books and supplies, and there are no out-of-pocket costs to the student. LCT will pay for the certification test. We offer positions for further experience on the floor until the certification test is taken. This is a great opportunity for students to take the class here and then have job opportunities between the two facilities at completion. The certification class is offered several times a year. Visit the community at Rockhill ([www.communityatrockhill.org](http://www.communityatrockhill.org)) to apply for the position of "Nurse Aide Trainee for Nurse Aide Class."

**The Grace Website Members Only** Page password has been changed. To gain access to the serving schedule or team minutes, call the church office during business hours to obtain the new password.

**Attendance:** 7/28/19 – 9:15 52  
**General Fund -** \$1,433; **Capital Fund -** \$435

**In Our Prayers**

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| John Fischer            | Bob Kaler             |
| Marilyn Homan           | Wendy Amparano        |
| Joan Lattanze           | Suzanne Colville      |
| Pam Matolicz            | Jennifer Kaler-Thomas |
| Paige Haldeman          | Nancy Sellers         |
| Laura Cooper            | Liz Bauer             |
| Elijah Krout            | Beth Brown            |
| Xavier Jackson          | Richard Badman        |
| Joe Hopkins             | Doug Boldon           |
| Ralph and Carol Buffone | Cassi Lambert         |
| Kristopher Yoder        | Annette Beyer         |
| Dorene Bobb             | Dale Moyer            |
| Keira Drissel           | Cindy Kunkel          |
| Mandie and Emmett       | Bill Shaffer          |
| Ron and Karen Hudson    | Margaret Stangl       |

Pastor Lee (Phila. Korean Church)  
 Andy Armstrong (Friend of the MacDonald's)  
**For all who grieve, including:** The family and friends of Charles' Roney's mother; Bob Darde; Fred Matolicz; Emily Stangl (John's niece); Lillian Buschman (Kerry Stone's grandmother); Sue Deitch (Frank Stone's cousin's wife); and Shannon Ryan, Chip Wood, and John C. Stadler (Bruce Schmidt's uncle)

**This Week at Grace**

<b>Sun.</b>	<b>August 4-No Worship Service at Grace</b>
9:00am	Lutheran Cluster Bible Study at Emmanuel Lutheran, Souderton, PA
10:00am	Lutheran Cluster Worship at Emmanuel Lutheran, Souderton, PA
12:30pm	Central Phila. Korean Church
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>August 6</b>
7 pm	Stitchers - F/H
7:15 pm	Property - Narthex
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>August 7</b>
6:30 pm	Grace Picnic at the Home of Bruce and Peggy Schmidt
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>August 11</b>
9:15 am	Worship and Communion
12:30 pm	Central Phila. Korean Church

**Grace-Full Question for Pentecost VIII**

1. My great-grandfather on my mother's side came from Ireland. My great-grandmother on my father's side came from Germany. Both came as young people seeking a better economic future that they could no longer secure in their homeland. One of my husband's grandfathers refused to talk about his heritage, more than to say, "I'm an American!" though we discovered that his family also came from Germany. A dear friend was adopted as a young child from Haiti. Do you have loved ones in your family whom you know who have emigrated from other lands? Does that influence your thinking on our current national debate?
2. Can Christians talk respectfully with each other when we disagree about something as politically difficult as immigration?
3. Our scripture readings this morning ask us to reflect on greed and how wealth does not last. What gift of grace are you aware of this week that you cannot buy with money?

*If you'd ever want to talk more fully about any of these Grace-Full questions with Pr. Peterman, you're invited to Bible study... or to schedule an appointment with her for conversation.*

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After an extensive personnel review, Grace decided to part ways with our Director of Music. It was apparent that the job description and the actual performance did not meet the standards that we are looking for in our music program. It was not a decision we took lightly and ask for your prayers and support as we go through this transition.  
 Peggy Schmidt  
 Congregational President