



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

**Grace Lutheran Church
September 22, 2019-15th 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. Please return empty cups to the empty side of the tray.

The Altar Flowers this week are sponsored by: Harold Schaeffer in honor of his stepson Wesley Shofstahl's birthday, and by Barbara Watts, in honor of Nellie Lykens birthday.

The Eternal Flame this week is sponsored by: Richard Badman, in honor of his son Tim's birthday

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We are looking for a Sunday School Teacher to work with the 4th - 6th grade students. Prayerfully consider if this is something you might be good at. There is not a lot of preparation required with the curriculum we use, and you will be surprised by how YOU learn from them as much as they learn from you. Talk to Laura if you are interested.

Church Sign: We are excited that we now have 2 volunteers to keep the outdoor signs updated! Crystal Tula and Laura Slugg made their first update this week. It's not too exciting, but the community will know our Sunday morning schedule for the fall. Our tentative plan is to update the signs on Broad Street and Main Street at least once a month, probably on the 2nd Thursday of the month. Please let the office know about special events that you would like to have highlighted on one or both of the outdoor signs. If you think of a catchy or profound saying, send us those too!

Time to Celebrate (Again)! This Sunday September 22, we will be celebrating another milestone in our building process - the return of our escrow and final payment to the builders. This has been a long time coming and it is great to finally have closure. We hope you will join us at 8 am or 10:30 am for special prayers of thanks in our service and CAKE served at 9:15 am!

HERITAGE, the first of Three Transition Workshops, happens next Sunday, September 29. One service, 9:15. Workshop immediately following afterward, including lunch Hosted by Council, in the summer picnic format (bring something to share). Concluding at about 12:45 You're invited! Your voice is important! Please note: while coffee hour goodies will be available right after church, lunch will not be served until about noon. (Please plan accordingly.)

Sunday, September 29th, we will celebrate **Harvest Home** at Grace. Our gifts of food will be shared with Manna on Main Street in Lansdale and the Hatfield Food Cupboard at Emmanuel Evangelical Church in Hatfield. Please bring your food offerings by **September 29th**. Cash gifts to the agencies or a grocery store gift card are also helpful. You may also donate funds by using your **Harvest Home Envelope** in your offering envelope box. These envelope offerings will be given to ELCA World Hunger Appeal and will help our neighbors around the world. The Giving in Service Team appreciates your kindness in helping others. (Display in narthex with a list of suggested food items and shopping bags for your convenience.)

Mark your calendars for Sunday, October 6th.

The North Penn/Lansdale Annual **CROP Walk** will be held rain or shine, beginning and ending at Trinity Lutheran Church in Lansdale. Won't you join in the fun and walk so that others may have food!! The funds raised at area CROP Walks are given to Church World Services, which distributes funds to the most needy areas around the world. Part of the funds are shared in the Lansdale area. If you cannot join the walk, help sponsor one of our walkers. For information or to pick up a form to walk, see Jean Shaffer, Diane Ball, Lori Pluda or Kay Stone.

It is now possible to give to the CROP Walk online through the Grace Team page, or to sign up: <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/lansdalepa/Team/View/115926/Grace-Lutheran-in-Hatfield>

New Infant Room coming to Stepping Stones!

Council recently adopted the plan of the Stepping Stones Committee and Director Jess Moran to develop an Infant Room for our day care program. Target date to open is the third week in October. **Until next Sunday, September 29th,** we'll be gathering needed furniture and supplies. Call 215-368-2052 by then if you have a donation.

Dramatic play toys (puppets, baby dolls)
Toys such as instruments, shape sorters, knob puzzles
Large muscle movement toys and equipment
3 high chairs with wide bases and T-shaped safety straps
5 cribs or playpens with slats that are no more than 2 3/8 inches apart
5 crib mattresses
Crib sheets and infant blankets
2 crock pots
Infant clothing (for spare clothes)
Diapers (for spares) - Newborn, Size 1 and 2
1 rocking chair
Padded foam flooring
Bobby pillows Bibs
CD players Tummy Time Mats
2 bouncy seats 2 exersaucers
Shatterproof mirrors Lullaby CDs
Bumbo seats

Donations also needed for Stepping Stones:

We're trying to make a snack that is all inclusive for some of our children with allergies. We are looking for donations for the following items:

Mini chocolate chips raisins
mini marshmallows popped popcorn
corn chex cereal shelled sunflower seeds
A basket can be found in the narthex in which to place your donations with additional lists for you to take along.

Wilkum!

Save the date for the Ladies Fall Tea on **Saturday November 9th from 2-4pm**. We will all be Pennsylvania Dutch as we welcome Keith Brintzenhoff from Kutztown, who will entertain us with folksongs, 4 instruments, share his humor and history. Sign up poster will be coming soon, and as always, look for the silver platter display – this year we will welcome PA Dutch cookies, pies, quick bread or anything PA Dutch – come share your family history if you like. Feel free to extend an invitation of welcome to those outside the church community, they will be sure to enjoy the time together with us. Mer hoff mer sehn eich datt- “We hope we see you there”!!! Any questions contact Lori Pluda.

Attention all Serving Volunteers...

Thank you for serving in 2019! It is that time of year when we put together the 2020 serving schedule. If you are currently scheduled to serve and do not want to serve in 2020, please let the person in charge know by 12/1/2019. 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 with anyone in charge of a serving area. We invite you. THANKS.

(We are also in need of a leader for the Lectors. If you are interested, please contact Kathy Stawasz.)

We thank to Karen Seiler for her years of service as leader of the lectors.

8/10:30 Altar Guild Emily Woltmann

8/10:30 Communion Asst Carol MacDonald

8/10:30 Lectors (Leader needed)

8/10:30 Acolytes Kathy Stawasz

8/10:30 Ushers Kay Stone

8/10:30 Greeters Tami Sarm

8/10:30 Coffee Hour Lori Pluda

10:30 Nursery Kathy Stawasz

10:30 Flower Delivery

10:30 Paraments Emily Woltmann

YOGA (Hatha) CLASS will continue on Wednesdays. **09/11/19 thru 12/11/19** from 6:30-7:30 pm. All-levels. Poses and sequences will work on using all parts of the body. This will be suitable for those with some yoga experience but also for anyone with little to none. 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. \$5/class, ages 16 and up. An Exercise mat is needed. Questions contact Kathy Stawasz.

Attendance: 9/15/19 – 8:00 am – 21 10:30 am - 46

General Fund - \$1458 **Capital Fund** - \$135

Serving Volunteers

Acolyte	8:00 am Bob Smyrl 10:30 am Olivia Stone
Altar Guild	8:00 am June Detweiler 10:30 am Bonnie Stangl
Comm. Assistant	8:00 am David Kunkel 10:30am Kathy Stawasz
Council Sender & Offering counter	8 am Joanne Moyer 10:30 am Joyce Salter
Lector	8 am Kitty Heckler 10:30 am Beth Krout
Ushers	8:00 am Bob Smyrl & Ken Seiler 10:30 am Harold Schaeffer & Jeff Krout
Greeter	8:00 am Peggy Schmidt 10:30 am Beth & Jeff Krout
Nursery:	10:30 am Kerry & Lindsey Stone
Flower Delivery	Kathy Stawasz

In Our Prayers:

John Fischer, Bob Kaler, Marilyn Homan, Wendy Amparano
Joan Lattanz, Suzanne Colville, Pam Matolicz, Paige Haldeman
Jennifer Kaler-Thomas, Nancy Sellers, Laura Cooper, Liz Bauer
Elijah Krout, Beth Brown, Xavier Jackson, Gerry Mason
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, Lisa Kane, 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); Shannon Ryan; Chip Wood; John C. Stalder (Bruce Schmidt's uncle); and Dutch Afflerbach (Kathie's husband)

This Week at Grace

Sun.	September 22
8:00 am	Worship/Communion
9:15 am	SCS: Communion Instruction begins, all classes
10:30 am	Worship/Communion
12:30pm	Central Phila. Korean Church
Mon.	September 23
Tues.	September 24
6:30 pm	FPU - F/H
Wed.	September 25
6:30 pm	Yoga - F/H
Thurs.	September 26
10:00 am	H3C - M/R
Fri.	September 27
Sat.	September 28
Sun.	September 29
9:15	Worship/Communion
10:30	Transition Event: HERITAGE
12:00	Luncheon hosted by Council
12:30 pm	Central Phila. Korean Church

Grace-Full Questions for 15th Sunday after Pentecost

1. This week a gospel teaching from Jesus asks us to reflect on faithfulness and honesty: Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. (Luke 16:10) How do you know this truth?
2. Have you ever had to re-build trust in a relationship? How did you do that?
3. We celebrate the end of the building program in worship this Sunday. The escrow check was finally released by the Borough! For what do you give thanks as we do so?

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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