

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

Grace Lutheran Church November 24 2019 – Christ the King

Council has hired musician Kevin Freaney to hold the position of Office Administrative Assistant, in addition to his Minister of Music position, which began 11/18, for a 3 month trial. Office hours will remain the same: Mondays through Thursdays, 9 am through Noon.

SUNDAY MORNING

Welcome to Grace. If you would like to use one of our new <u>hearing assist devices</u>, please speak to an usher.

<u>Nursery area</u>: As you face the rear of the sanctuary from inside, the nursery area is on the far left.

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.

Music Setting 8: over the next several weeks, Kevin will incorporate the melodies of this music into worship as part of helping us learn this newer setting for worship. This week you will hear some of the melodies as part of the pre-service music on the 184 of ELW, and also the Glory to God as a postlude this week!

The Altar Flowers this week are sponsored by: The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God and Barbara Watts in memory of Evelyn and Elwood Watts' anniversary.

THANKSGIVING

Stepping Stones hosts their annual Thanksgiving Feast Day on Wednesday, November 27th at 11:15 am with turkey and all the trimmings, cooked by the children in their classes! You are invited, but need a ticket. Call or email the church office to get your FREE ticket and join the fun Get to know the children and their families.

Thanksgiving Eve worship, 7:30PM

Heidelberg UCC Church (1101 Cowpath Road)

Grace participates in a combined worship service on Thanksgiving Eve, Wednesday, November 27th. This year we are at, with our combined choirs. Pastor Peterman will be preaching. The offering will be split between the Hatfield Pastors' Fund, to assist people of Hatfield with a "hand up," and Heidelberg's Phila Care Ministry, their ministry to people living on the streets of Philadelphia.

Musician invitation... those folks who have played brass instruments for worship at Grace are invited to play along on hymns at the combined Thanksgiving service at Heidelberg UCC. Please let Kevin know if you'd like to play.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Giving Cards for 2020 it's come to our attention that at least one letter about giving for 2020 was missing its Giving Card. If you need a card, there are blank ones on the window sill at the back of the sanctuary. You may fill one out at any time and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office. Your gifts are life giving to the work we do together!

Memorial Gift Thanks. We thank Joyce Salter for the memorial gift of home communion kits and lovely purificators (napkins) to go with them. When Grace's new Visitation Team goes out they will be ready to take Word and sacrament out from Grace's worship more regularly to the people of Grace who are sick, homebound, or otherwise unable to be in worship in our sanctuary with us. Her gift is in memory of Pastor Drew Fischer. Thank you!

Shut In Box for WELCA is in the back of the church. There will be a list by the box. December $1^{\rm st}$ is the last day to bring in cards. Thank You. WELCA

Franconia Heritage Thanksgiving Meal Project

As we have done since 1997, Franconia Heritage, along with help from the community, will again provide prepared hot Thanksgiving meals to our neighbors, who at this time may be in need. There are forms available in the church office.

Adopt-A-Family Christmas Project TIME TO SHOP FOR OUR FAMILIES!! The display for our Adopt-A-Family Project is in the narthex. Please take a few minutes to check out the display. You may participate in several different ways in our collection of items for our three families from the Hatfield area. You can choose a gift or gift card to purchase for our families. A wish list of items for each family is available for your choosing. We are also collecting items for the Angel Boxes. These items are everyday supplies needed by our families. A shopping list is provided for you and can be found by the Angel Gifts display. Please return your gift(s) with receipts by Sunday, Dec. 15th. If you would like the Confirmation class to do your shopping, please give your donation to Pastor Peterman by Sunday, Dec. 8th. What a wonderful way to share the Christmas Spirit by giving to one of our families. The Giving In-Service Team appreciates your generosity!

Baking this holiday season? Can you bake an extra dozen for someone that can use something sweet to brighten up their holiday? Drop your cookies or candies off in the kitchen or at 155 Forrest Way, Hatfield by December 11th by 6:30 pm. Then join the In-Reach Team in packing them up at 7 pm. We guarantee you will have fun!

We all have treasured people in our lives that we are thankful for and want them to know it — so during the month of November and early December, let's take the time to send them a note to tell them how much we care. In the narthex you will find "the golden treasure table", assortment of Christmas cards, pens (and glue if the envelope has lost its stick) and a church directory inside a blue binder. Sit down, write your card and add any sentiments, sign your name or not, write the name, address etc, and place it in the gold star flat box. The Inreach Team will stamp and mail all the cards the second week in December. Everyone loves to receive tangible gifts of thought in the mail, not just e-cards— You have the power to make someone's day!

Special thanks to In-Reach for this year's initiative Linda Kaler for a rich store of Christmas cards, thank you!

UPDATES AND REMINDERS

Address Change: Please note a new address for Dale & Mary Jane Moyer: 107-D Menno Drive, Souderton, PA 18964

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: 11/17/2019 – 8:00am- **13;** 10:30am - **64 General Fund** - \$1,428.00 **Capital Fund** - \$695.00

----- TODAY'S SERVING VOLUNTEERS -----

Acolyte 8:00 am Anna Walter 10:30 am Rich and Emily Woltmann

Altar Guild

Comm. Assistant

Council Sender & Joanne Moyer

Offering counter and Jaime Snyder

Lector 8:00 am Kitty Heckler

10:30 am - Carol MacDonald

Ushers 8:00 am Walter Family

10:30 am - Carol and Paul MacDonald

Greeter 8:00 am Diane Ball

10:30 am - Dale & Mary Jane Moyer

Nursery: Jaime Snyder & helper Flower Delivery Kay and Frank Stone

The Bulletins and Eternal Flame: (No Sponsor)

This Week at Grace

Sun.	November 24
8:00 am	Worship/Communion -
9:15 am	SCS
10:30 am	Worship/Communion
12:30 pm	Korean Church
2:30- pm	Laymen/Playmen Rehearsal - F/H
Tues.	November 26
7:00 pm	Laymen/Playmen Rehearsal - F/H
Wed.	November 27
6:30 pm	NO Yoga
6:30 pm	Choir practice w Heidelberg Choir
7:30 pm	Thanksgiving Service at Heidelberg
Thurs. & Fri.	Thanksgiving OFFICE CLOSED
Sun.	Advent 1
8:00 am	Worship/Communion -
9:15 am	SCS
10:30 am	Worship/Communion
12:30 pm	Korean Church
6:00 pm	Cub Pack 510 F/H

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.*

Grace-Full Questions for 24th Sunday After Pentecost

- 1. We celebrate the Reign of Christ this week as one liturgical year ends and a new one begins next week with Advent. How do you know the sovereign power of Christ in your life?
- 2. Families and friends gather from near and far to be together for Thanksgiving this week. For what do you especially give thanks this year?

Many families experience stresses and strain over the holidays that are hard to discuss openly amidst all the cheer and public gratitude — griefs, conflict, loneliness, addiction and holidays that don't meet our hopes and expectations. If you have a special concern you'd like Pr Peterman to pray about over this holiday time, write a note and place it in her church office box before you leave worship today (or send her an email before 5 pm on Wednesday: pastorgracehatfield@gmail.com)

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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THANKSGIVINGS

We share the joy of Will and Tori Shaffer at the birth of their first child last week, a son, Samuel. All are well!! Congratulations and God's richest blessings on your life together!

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) Diane Graham Miller(Friend of the Walter Family) Cindy Mancuso Jessica Murphy who was recently deployed to Qatar(Joan Amundsen's granddaughter-in-law and Liana Murphy's Aunt 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 and Anne Wood; John C. Stalder (Bruce Schmidt's uncle);