

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

Grace Lutheran Church January 12th – Baptism of Our Lord

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.

The Altar Flowers this week are given to the glory of God and sponsored by Wendy Walter in honor of Dan Walter's Birthday. CORRECTIONS FROM LAST WEEK... Eternal Flame was sponsored by Jane Detweiler in honor of Dan Walter's Birthday. Altar Flower's were sponsored by John and Bonnie Stangl in honor of their 40th Wedding Anniversary, and also by the Stawasz Family in honor of Janelle's 29th Birthday. Sponsor for the Eternal Fame Candle this week is the Dale and Mary Jane Moyer, in honor of their granddaughter's 12th birthday

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.

Homosexuality, Biblical Texts, Ministry Site Profile Decisions

We gather this week – this Sunday for the conversation on homosexuality, biblical texts, ministry practices, and how Grace members talk through challenging issues. The content of both sessions will be the same. Pastor Peterman will facilitate. You are encouraged to participate, to listen, and speak about how these issues matter to you.

Today, January 12th 11:30 - 2:00 with a light lunch. Wednesday, January 15th 10 - 12:30 with refreshments & light lunch and the nursery will be available. (See the November Parish News for a fuller discussion or speak with Pastor or Peggy Schmidt if you need more information.)

Game Night is scheduled for Sunday, January 26th from 5 pm - 8 pm in Fellowship Hall. Meatball Sandwiches will be provided, but please bring sides, chips and desserts. The plan is for everyone to bring your favorite Board Game or Card Game! We might try a large group game too! Questions, contact Laura Slugg

Newsletter info due date is January 19th: Please submit news to Bonnie Stangl.

FIRST ANNUAL GRACE BEER EXCHANGE will be held on Sunday, January 26 from 2-4 pm in the Fellowship Hall. SIGN-UP NOW by completing the Registration Form available in the narthex and placing it in the basket provided along with your \$50 check payable to Grace Lutheran Church. Sign-ups close today... January 12!

Your \$50 includes a case of a variety of CRAFT beers, a light meal (prepared by Lou Farrell) and snacks during the exchange and a "tasting" flight of beers during the exchange.

We will also be doing a service project to benefit The Welcome Church which serves the homeless community in Philadelphia. Please bring at least one pair of new socks with you to the exchange for this project.

This is a community event and you are encouraged to invite friends and family who are not members of Grace. They just need to register and pay the \$50 fee to participate. Couples are welcome to attend as a couple and pay just one fee unless they each want their own case of beer, in which case please pay for two registrations.

Questions. Contact Frank Stone Sr:

Thank you members and friends of Grace for your generous financial gift at Christmas. How thoughtful of you to let me choose something for myself! I appreciate your kind remembrance, and the many ways you have opened your hearts to me. In this month of Grateful Grace, count me in! Thank you,

Yours in Christ, Pr. Janet Peterman

Laurel House Valentine's Day Project: The Giving in Service Team invites you to support our Valentine's Day Project. We will be collecting items for the women and children of Laurel House. This agency provides shelter, care and counseling for abused women and children of Montgomery County. Please check out the display in the narthex and pick up a wish list of items needed for Laurel House. Consider adding one or two of these items to your shopping list. Please drop off your gifts by Sunday, February 9th.

2020 Serving Schedule – A copy of the 2020 serving schedule is in the narthex. <u>Please pick up your copy</u>. Your name is highlighted and they are sorted by first name. Thanks again for serving!!!! Questions – contact Kathy Stawasz.

Offering Envelopes for 2020 available in the narthex. The envelopes are arranged in alphabetical order. Please take your envelopes with you.

MLK Day of Service Site Clean Up 1/20/20 10am - 3pm

Looking for something to do on MLK Day of Service 2020. Join members of Grace Lutheran Church and the Hatfield community in helping clean up the Pottstown Recycling Center (365 Elm Street, Pottstown PA). Arrive at 10am and stay until you get too cold (dress accordingly) or hungry! If you have good Vegetation Shears and/or heavy duty rakes, please bring them along.

Cinderella (Rodgers & Hammerstein) coming soon to Lansdale United Methodist Church. Presented by The Laymen Playmen, Inc. February 6-9 and February 13-16. TICKETS can be purchased at www.laymenplaymen.org Benefits the Hatfield Pastors' Fund. Members of our congregation are participating!

YOGA (Hatha) CLASS will resume in January on the 8th, 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall. All-levels. Questions contact Kathy Stawasz.

Attendance: 1/5/2020 - 8:00am, 23 10:30am, 38 **General Fund** - \$ 910.00 **Capital Fund** - \$ 550.00

----- TODAY'S WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS -----

Altar Guild 8am, Janice Swartz 10:30am, Emily Woltman

Comm. Assistant 8am, Anna Walter

10:30am, Dan Sarm

Lectors 8am, Bruce Schmidt 10:30am, Betty Murray

8am, Anna Walter

10:30am, Sammy Stone and sub for Olivia

Ushers 8am, The Walter Family

10:30am, Kathy Stawasz and Kay Deussing

Greeters 8am, Janice Swartz

10:30am, Dan & Tami Sarm

Nursery Kay and Linsay Stone
Flower Delivery MC Reilly
Council Sender & Laura Kratz
Offering counter and Carol MacDonald

(There are no bulletin sponsors)

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This Week at Grace

Worship / Communion Sunday School
Sunday School
Worship
Korean Church
Christian Connection M/R
Worship and Music M/R
Homosexuality Discussion
Yoga F/H
HC3 M/R
Cub Pack 510 F/H
Emerson Weierman
B-Day Party F/H and Nursery
Worship / Communion
Sunday School
Worship
Korean Church

Grace-Full Questions for today

- 1. The voice from heaven calls Jesus beloved as he is baptized. Do you know yourself beloved? How did you come to know yourself so?
- 2. When were you baptized? Do you remember it?
- 3. Name 3 words that come to mind for you to describe yourself. Do any of the words not easily come to mind for you about yourself relate to your faith?

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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For all who grieve, including: The family and friends of Charles' Roney's mother; Bob Darde; Fred Matolicz; Lillian Buschman (Kerry Stone's grandmother); Shannon Ryan; Chip and Anne Wood; Ralph Buffone; Gail Constanzer (Shirley Yoder's sister-in-law); Frank "Chick" Mascaro (Jerry's brother); Arline Kratz; Marilyn Homan; Millie Anderson

For all who serve other, including those in active duty, deployed oversee and their families: Matthew Smyrl; Jessica Murphy (Joan Amundsen's granddaughter-in-law and Liana Murphy's aunt.)