



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

**Grace Lutheran Church
January 26th - Third Sunday after Epiphany**

SUNDAY MORNING

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

Nursery area: 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 Dan & Wendy Walter in honor of Bryan Walter's birthday and also by Paul & Carol MacDonald in memory of Rita Koslowski MacDonald.

The Bulletins this week are given to the glory of God by the Peterman family in honor of Pastor Janet Peterman's 39th anniversary of ordination on January 31st.

The Eternal Flame Candle this week is sponsored by Emily and Rich Woltmann in memory of Jean Meibohm

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.*

Office Calendar: If you or your group would please email the church office if there are things to be included on the calendar for the next 2-3 months. (This includes regularly scheduled meeting.) email: graceassistant40@gmail.com

Homosexuality Study, Chance for Feedback

48 people took part in the two sessions of the Bible study Pastor Peterman offered on January 12th and 15th. We understand that some people were not able to make either date, and might like to read the study materials and comment. We have compiled sets of the material with the response forms. Instructions for how to fill out the forms are on the top of the material. Find the packets on the windowsill in the narthex. To be included in the material the Council considers, the forms needs to be signed and returned to Pastor Peterman's church mail box by Sunday, February 2nd. No names will be included in the summary statement sent to the congregation.

Game Night is TODAY (Jan 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! Last minute questions? Contact Laura Slugg

H3C: "Sharing the Love" Clothing Drive

Mitzvah Circle Foundation is in immediate need of children's clothing especially boys' clothes. The H3C is sponsoring a clothing drive throughout the month of February. Please bring your donations to church of gently used, clean clothes or new clothing for girls and boys sizes 3-16/18. Help us "share the love" of clothing to needy children in our community.

Movie Matinee February 23. 12 - 3pm. The Christian Connections Team invites you to a movie matinee after worship. We will provide soup, bread and drinks for lunch, you bring the sides and desserts. We will also provide popcorn for snacking during the movie. Movie will be appropriate for all ages. Suggestions Welcome, but we were thinking about Godspell or Abbot and Costello?

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.**

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

ALLELUIA

Based on the Hebrew word, hallelu yah, meaning "Praise the Lord," Alleluia has been a word of great praise to God in the life of the church and was prominent in early Christian liturgies. Because of the penitential character of the season of Lent in the Western church, singing or saying the word "alleluia" has historically been suspended during Lent's forty days. This period of individual and congregational reflection on the quality of our baptismal faith and life suggests that the joyful nature of alleluia is more appropriately reserved for our Easter celebrations when it is given full and jubilant voice.

We invite children and the congregation to color an Alleluia and place it in the box, and on Transfiguration Sunday they will be "Locked UP!" BOOM. The treasure chest will remain near the pulpit. Then on Easter Sunday these Alleluias will be released and hung up all over the church and we then can sing and shout Alleluia with much joy and gusto! Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed!!! Alleluia!!!!!!

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!

Devotional Material Available: [The Lutheran Message](#)

Joan Amundsen, known to many of us for her beautiful banners around the building (Noah's ark in Fellowship Hall, the star in the sanctuary, as just two examples!) is also a published author of devotional materials. She shared with us about lovely annual resource available called [The Lutheran Message](#), which provides inspirational and uplifting articles and poems for all who share the Lutheran "family name." They are not affiliated with any particular Lutheran synod and operation with complete editorial and financial freedom. This year Joan has a piece published in the 2019-20 publication. Copies are available on the window sill in the narthex if you'd like one.

YOGA (Hatha) CLASS, 6:30pm-7:30pm in Fellowship Hall. All-levels. \$5 per class. Questions contact Kathy Stawasz.

(Attendance on 1/12/2020: 8am, 20 10:30am, 59)

Last Week

Attendance: 8am, 10 10:30am, 31

General Fund - \$ 2050.00 Capital Fund - \$ 60.00

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

Altar Guild	8am, Janice Swartz 10:30am, Emily & Rich Woltmann
Comm. Assistant	8am, Andrea Roney 10:30am, Jaime Kaler
Lectors	8am, Karen Seiler 10:30am, Micah Slugg
Acolyte	8am, Dave Kunkel 10:30am, Seth & Gianna Hercolini
Ushers	8am, Don Carpanear & Dave Kunkle 10:30am, Kay Stone & Kay Deussing
Greeters	8am, Janice Swartz 10:30am, Liz Bauer
Nursery	Jeff & Beth Krout
Flower Delivery	MC Reilly
Council Sender & Offering counter	Laura Kratz and Carol MacDonald

This Week at Grace

Sunday, Jan 26th	
8:00am	Worship / Communion
9:15am	Sunday School
10:30am	Worship
12:30pm	Korean Church
2:00pm	Beer Exchange
5:00pm	Game Night
Tuesday, Jan 28th	Newsletter Mailed
6:45pm	INreach at Carol McDonald's house
Wednesday, Jan 29th	YOGA F/H
6:30pm	
Thursday, Jan 30th	Scout Pack 510 F/H
6:30pm	
6:30pm	TLT M/R

Grace-Full Questions for today

1. The psalmist reminds us that the Lord is our light and salvation, therefore we need fear no one. What makes you afraid?
2. Jesus began his ministry much as John the Baptist practiced his, calling people to repentance. To repent means to turn around, (to turn back toward God). Is there something in your life calling you to turn around?
3. What does it mean to you to follow Jesus?

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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In Thanksgiving for Healing: Dale Moyer, Bill Shaffer

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);

the families and friends of Millie Anderson, Arline Kratz;

Marilyn Homan; Barbara Masser (Ray's wife)

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.)