



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

**Grace Lutheran Church
April 5 - Palm-Passion Sunday**

SUNDAY MORNING

Welcome to Grace! We are not able to gather in person during these days of limited social interactions as we seek to work together as a community to limit the spread of the Covid-19 virus. But we are still the Church together and held in God's almighty hands.

Grace Expands its Online Presence

For Worship:

Go online in any way (phone, tablet, computer with any browser). Go to www.YouTube.com In the search bar put Grace Hatfield Services. Regular Sunday services will be posted there each week by noon on Saturday and will stay available. Special services, like Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, will become available on those days.

Spread the word!

For Sunday School:

Laura Slugg is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.
Topic: Virtual Sunday School
Zoom Meeting <https://temple.zoom.us/j/819293715>

For Prayer each Evening:

At 6:45 pm, call 515-604-9737
When asked for an access code: 306-742
Members of the group take turns leading prayer.

The Eternal Light Candle is given to the glory of God by Barb Watts and her sister in memory of their parents.

The Palm is provided by the Peterman family in memory of Pastor's parents, Duane and Joanne Smith, whose wedding anniversary is today.

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.*

Our Lenten Journey continues...

Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food...? Matthew 25:37

Rice Bowl Project continues through this Sunday:

During the Lenten Season you have the opportunity to help others through our **Rice Bowl** project. **In your offering envelope box, special envelopes are provided for each of the Sundays in Lent.** Using a plain white envelope, writing your name, envelope #, if you have one, and Rice Bowl on it are fine.

We invite you to send your Rice Bowl offerings to the church with your other offerings (See note about offerings in the next column.)

The Giving in Service Team

We Have Palm!

We can't have our usual Palm Sunday procession, there's no parade, but we do have palm for you! Come and get it! The palm will be out in a display in front of the Stepping Stones entrance under the portico - rain or shine - by 8 am on Sunday morning, Palm-Passion Sunday, Sunday, April 5th. Take a piece for yourself and someone else who might be blessed by it. Some palm crosses have been made for you, and Easter floral crosses. Copies of *The Word in Season* will also be available on the table. (self-serve)

Reaching out to Help

Liana Murphy, a member of the congregation who has time on her hands right now, is working with some friends to sew face masks. She invites others at Grace to join her. You can help by donating fabric (100% cotton only) or by sewing some yourselves. These masks are washable/reusable and are needed in so many places! They require just fabric and 1/4" elastic and are simple to construct. Contact Liana for more information or to join her in this effort.

By Sunday morning, 4/5, we will have a 3rd bin at our entrance. Use it to donate fabric or to put your completed masks in.

We weep with those who weep

Condolence cards may be sent to the family of Joan Miller, who died March 20th through her daughter:
Cheryl Klauder, 7821 Corning Road
Zionsville, PA 18902

We Invite you to Send your Offerings

We have a new way you can forward your offerings to Grace, as of this week! There's a NEW Donate Now button on the green banner on the Home screen of our website (<https://gracelutheranhatfield.org>)

You can still send offerings the old fashioned way, by mail. We're picking them up often and making at least weekly deposits in the bank. We're grateful for all the ways you support Grace with your offerings and your energy for our mission.

Food Pantry Distribution continues at EEC and Church of the Brethren

For food through the Hatfield Church of the Brethren (1333 Cowpath), email hatfieldfoodbank@yahoo.com for an appointment.

The food pantry at Emmanuel EEC (100 S Main Street)
Open next: Monday, April 6th, 10 am - noon

Participate in Grace's Online Easter Parade!

Send a digital photo of any member or friend (with permission, of course) to graceassistant40@gmail.com and we'll include in our Easter Day digital worship experience so we can see each other as we gather.

Deadline is Wednesday, April 8th.

Let's find a way to "gather" even as we support each other by staying apart. God be with you.

Hosanna to the
King of Kings!

Cancellations, Suspensions and Postponements
The Easter Egg Hunt (4/4 at 2 pm)

No Yoga until the Church re-opens.
Stay tuned! Questions? Call Kathy Stawasz.

The Gatherings of the Welcome Church, including worship on Good Friday, are suspended for now.

Bear Creek Camp Gala and Literature Raffle Basket (basket items were due 4/10; Gala was 4/18).
If you would like to make a contribution in lieu of the basket or Gala, please forward a check written to Bear Creek Camp to Laura Slugg, 98 N. Wayne Street, Hatfield, PA 19440

40 N. Main St.
Hatfield, PA 19440
Phone: 215-855-4676

<https://gracelutheranhatfield.org>
Regular Office Hours will resume after the time of restricted social gatherings has concluded.
Email or call the office or Pr Peterman and we will get back to you as soon as we are able.

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This Week at Grace

Sunday, April 5th	
	No public gatherings yet this week: We'll keep you posted.
Sunday, 4/5 8:00 am	Palm available in display Door under Portico Stepping Stones Entrance

Last Week

Lent IV and V, 3/22 and 29/20

Attendance: 8am, 0 10:30am, 0

(We will report digital stats later;
electronic giving not included below.)

General Fund - \$ 3,340.00 **Capital Fund** - \$ 217.75

Rice Bowl - \$ 464.00

Leaders for our Palm-Passion Worship Service

Kevin, our Minister of Music, with Mary Catherine and Bob Reilly and Frank Stone from choir for the music

Production Team: Harold Schaefer and John Stangl

Lector and Prayers: The Slugg Family: Matt and Laura; Micah and Wyeth; Frank Stone

Preaching and Presiding: Pr Janet Peterman

For EEC's Food Pantry

Many thanks for your continued generosity for the people of our community who are hungry and unable to feed their families. We have 2 marked baskets outside Grace's main entrance doors (Stepping Stones entrance) where you can leave items as you are able. We take them to EEC's food cupboard. Please consider picking up these kinds of staples when you re-supply your home.

High priority items (we will update as we can):

- Boxed Plain Pasta
- 1-2 lb. bags plain white rice (**not** "Minute")
- Tomato Soup including low sodium variety
- Canned olives, mushrooms, spinach, beets
- Garbanzo beans (chickpeas)
- Tuna in OIL
- Peanut Butter, jelly
- Canned meat and beef stew
- Canned fruit or applesauce - Large size
- 100% fruit juice
- Toilet paper (individually wrapped), paper towels, tissues
- toothpaste
- Laundry detergent
- Body & hand wash
- Cake mix and icing parings
- Pancake mix / pancake syrup

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In Our Prayers:

John Fischer, Bob Kaler, Wendy Amparano, Suzanne Colville, Pam Matolicz, Paige Haldeman, Nancy Sellers, Laura Cooper, Liz Bauer, Beth Brown, Xavier Jackson, Gerry Maso, Joe Hopkins, Doug Boldon, Carol Buffone, Cassi Lambert, Kristopher Yoder, Annette Beyer, Dorene Bobb, Keira Drissel, Cindy Kunkel, Mandie and Emmett, Ron and Karen Hudson, Lisa Kane, Andy Armstrong (Friend of the MacDonald's), Diane Graham, Miller (Friend of the Walter Family), Cindy Mancuso, Anne Lewis, Joyce Salter, Jim Pluda, John and Bonnie Stangl, Ken Seiler, Sr (Ken's dad), Terry Stringfellow, friend of Dale and Mary Jane Moyer, Hazel Mascaro, Bob Yoder, RJ Bernheiser, Karen and Mark Weirbach

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); Millie Anderson, Arline Kratz; Marilyn Homan; Barbara Masser (Ray's wife); Joan Lattanze; Samuel Barndt, cousin of Andrea Roney; Joan Miller

Prayer of thanksgiving: for the safe return of Jessica Murphy from deployment overseas

For all who serve others, including those on active duty, deployed overseas, and their families:
Matthew Smyrl

For others in active duty military service:

Robert McNulty (Active duty in the Marines, basic training)
Jessica and Kyle Murphy, both active duty Air Force