



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

Grace Lutheran Church
May 31st - Pentecost Sunday

SUNDAY MORNING

Welcome to Grace! We are not yet able to gather in person for worship, but we have begun conversations about when and how we will do so. Please reflect with us by returning the survey sent to your home with the Parish News and also sent out by email. Deadline for return: June 10th

Find Grace Online

For Worship:

Go online in any way (phone, tablet, computer with any browser). Go to www.YouTube.com Search for: Grace Hatfield Services Sunday services are posted each week by noon on Saturday and will stay available. Find the lessons & prayers on Grace's website. Spread the word!

For Sunday School: Sunday School continues!

We're holding Sunday school by Zoom. It's so good to see each other! Contact Laura Slugg for your personal invite (pj's are ok!)

The Eternal Light Candle is given this week to the glory of God by Rich and Emily Woltmann in honor of family birthdays.

*Let us tell of the glorious deeds of the LORD...
the wonders he has done....*

*In daytime he led the people with a cloud [through the desert],
and all night long with a fiery light. Psalm 78: 4, 14*

Open Sundays for the Eternal Light Candle: June 28 and all July Sundays. Email the church office or contact the Pastor if you are interested in a week for a dedication.

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.

Stepping Stones set to Re-Open June 8th

Governor Wolf's order moves Montgomery County from red to yellow on June 5th. The yellow phase encourages day care centers to open to allow people to get back to work and to support the re-opening of businesses. (Stepping Stones' Nursery School program would have ended in May, so these classes will not re-open. A special online graduation is planned for the two nursery school classrooms sometime in early June.)

With the support of a Payroll Protection Program loan/grant, Stepping Stones staff was called back to work on May 11th, working mostly from home: updating student records, developing curriculum, adapting plans for the summer since most field trips that were planned can't happen, doing the work for Stars 2 (a higher level accreditation), which was already partly underway. Director Jess Moran's work has also included interpreting CDC guidelines for safety and reopening to staff and the Stepping Stones Committee. Thanks to all for their hard work!

Bishop Patricia Davenport suggests that synodical congregations not return to in-person worship before July, and that each congregation engage in planning appropriate for their community.

Read the Bishop's letter here:

<https://ministrylink.org/bishop-davenport-on-opening-churches/>

Grace's Worship & Music Team, staff and core leaders have been hard at work on these issues for weeks. We'll keep the congregation informed on next steps after we collate member responses from the survey.



Newly Updated Most Needed List for EEC's Food Cupboard

Here's a newly updated GREATEST NEEDS list for EEC's food cupboard:

- Body Wash (women)
- Toothpaste
- Canned Asparagus, Spinach, Olives, Peas, Whole Potatoes
- Flour
- Sugar
- Cereal (NO oatmeal)
- Chunky Soup (Heart Healthy)
- Dishwashing Liquid
- Laundry Detergent
- Disposable Razors

Other non-perishable food items and household items also accepted. Your continued gifts are gratefully received.

Last week, EEC served 21 families (including 2 home deliveries) and a total of 46 for the month (not including 5/28 totals to come). That is a lot!



PB & J

The children and families of a 2nd grade classroom at Montgomeryville Elementary School joined us this past week, in our ongoing feeding. Did you know that one of our sandwiches provides 400 much-needed calories for someone with an empty stomach? That it keeps well, even in warm weather? Your sandwiches, whenever you are able to provide them, are so anticipated! (See instructions on page 2 if you are doing this for the first time.)

This Week at Grace

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| Sunday, May 31st | Pentecost Sunday |
| | No public gatherings yet this week |
| noon | Sunday worship posted online at noon Saturday See Grace's website for the lessons & prayers https://gracelutheranhatfield.org |
| Happy Birthday, Christian Church! | www.YouTube.com Search: Grace Hatfield Services |
| Offerings? | Use the DONATE NOW button on our website. OR: Mail offerings into the office (address on 2 nd page) or drop into locked mailbox at Stepping Stones entrance. We deposit weekly. |
| Monday, 6/1, 4 pm Deadline for Grace Notes material next week | Stepping Stones via Zoom <i>End of the day Tuesday, 6/2</i> |
| Tuesday, 6/2 Wednesday, 6/3, 7pm Sunday, June 7th | Election Day Council via Zoom Trinity Sunday |

Leaders in online worship this week:

Music: Richard Badman, Betty Murray, and Barb Watts; Michael Freaney; and Will Shaffer with Minister of Music Kevin

Lector and Prayers: Mickie Koffel

Pentecost Lectors: Jesus Tula, Cathy Farrell, Pastor Seunggyun Lee with Pastor Peterman

Presiding and Presiding: Pastor Peterman

Production: Harold Schaeffer; Kay and Frank Stone

Member and Friend Connections

Remembering special days, you may want to send a card:

Betty Murray celebrates her 89th birthday on June 2nd.

237 Finch Drive, Souderton, PA 18964

Mama Jean Goetter's family arranged a special drive-by celebration of her 90th birthday in mid-May. You may want to join in the celebration by being in touch:

109 Willow Street, Hatfield 19440

Food Ministries: Sources of Food

Food Pantry Distribution

The food pantry at Emmanuel EEC (100 S Main Street)

Open next: Tuesday, June 2, 5:30 pm

Thursday, June 11, 1 pm

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

Open next: Tuesday, June 2, noon

The Church of the Brethren volunteers are in the building for 2 hours before the stated opening and allow people coming for food to come in when they arrive in this time period to give enough space for physical distancing.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church (69 W Broad St, Souderton) has developed a daily meal program since the beginning of this crisis. Anyone may come for a bagged meal; limited social contact. No registration required. No residency requirements. Up to 4 bags a day possible if picking up for a family or for neighbors who can't get out.

6 days a week, Monday – Saturday

11:30 am – 2:00 pm (rear entrance)

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Office Hours will resume when we can gather in person.

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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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 (He's been hospitalized for surgery again but is now recuperating at home), Ken Seiler, Sr (Ken's dad), Terry Stringfellow, friend of Dale and Mary Jane Moyer, Hazel Mascaro, Bob Yoder, RJ Bernheiser, Ruthann Rex (Kathy Stawasz' mom)

For all who grieve, including:

The family and friends of Bob Darde; Fred Matolicz; Lillian Buschman (Kerry Stone's grandmother); Shannon Ryan; 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; TreMar; Karen Weirbach

Lost to Covid-19:

Elizabeth Coyle, Crystal Tula's great aunt; Charlotte

Hutchinson, Jess Moran's grandmother

For those in active duty military service:

Robert McNulty, active duty Marines, basic training

Jessica and Kyle Murphy, both active duty Air Force

Matthew Smyrl, active duty Army; Nathaniel Smyrl, PA Army National Guard

Welcome Bread: PB & J Sandwiches, Instructions

- You make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches on soft white bread and put them in ZIPLOC bags, 1 sandwich per bag. Use cheap white bread with gobs of PB and J. A loaf will get you nine sandwiches. Please consider buying two loaves.
- The cooler will be at the entrance to Grace all day each TUESDAY. Leave your donation in the labeled coolers between 8:00 am and 8:00 pm
- Please email, call or text Jelly Czar Lou to let him know how many sandwiches you made.