



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

**Grace Lutheran Church
August 16th – Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

SUNDAY MORNING

Welcome to Grace! We rejoice at now being able to join one another in person once again. We do so with safety protocols in place to care for each other. We are outside at least through Labor Day weekend, weather permitting. We continue to videotape worship to make it available online.

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 Since we have returned to worship in person, online videos of Sunday services are posted each week on Wednesday following the Sunday, at noon. Find the lessons & prayers on Grace's website. **Spread the word!**

Sunday School has ended for the season: See you in the fall!

We'll be waiting a while to return to flowers, as we will be outside.

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.*

Parish News Deadline Coming: August 21st

Please get your items in earlier, if you can.

Special Dates in August: Hold these Dates!

Sunday, August 23rd, in worship at 9:15 am:

Grace's Call Committee will be introduced in worship and blessed for the task they are beginning.

Sunday, August 30th, in worship at 9:15 am:

We'll celebrate Holy Communion in person for the first time since March 8th. Immediately following worship that day, Council has called a congregational meeting to deal with two resolutions regarding homosexuality and pastoral ministry during the next pastoral tenure as Grace prepares to submit its Ministry Site Profile (MSP) to launch the Call Process. Watch for your letter with all the details, including the resolutions and a FAQ sheet from the Council. (A copy of the letter was emailed with *Grace Notes* for Sunday, August 9th.)

We welcome back to our pulpit this Sunday Pastor Joe Varsanyi (var-SHAY-nee). He was ordained in 1980 and served his entire ministry in the Southeastern Pennsylvania (Lutheran) Synod as a Pastor and Board Certified Chaplain. Pastor Joe has served as a mission developer with Christ the King deaf church in Westchester, and Director of Pastoral Care at Jefferson University Hospitals. Pastor Joe has served the larger Church on endorsement committees for Ministries in Specialized Pastoral Care. He lives in Philadelphia. Welcome back to Grace, Pastor Joe!

This Week at Grace

Sunday, August 16th 9:15 am	11 th Sunday after Pentecost Worship OUTDOORS, weather permitting (we move indoors if it is not possible outdoors)
<i>It's time to praise God and give thanks for God's love!</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bring your own chair, if you can • Masks, social distancing protections in place • Special music each week
Offerings?	Use the DONATE NOW button on our website. OR: Mail offerings into the office (address on this page) or drop into locked mailbox at Stepping Stones entrance. We deposit weekly.
Monday- Friday 7:30 am - 5:30 pm	Stepping Stones Day Care Open
Tuesday, August 18 8:00 am - 8:00 pm	Welcome Bread Sandwich Day
7:00 pm	Council
Wednesday, Aug 19 Noon	Sunday's worship posted: www.YouTube.com Search: Grace Hatfield Services
7:00 pm	Worship & Music via Zoom
Friday, August 21	September <i>Parish News</i> Deadline, but please get articles & items in earlier, if you can
Sunday, August 23rd 9:15 am	Summer Worship Blessing of the Call Committee

Pastor Peterman is on vacation through August 16th. She'll be back the week of August 17th. Should you become aware of an urgent pastoral need during this time, please call Council member Joyce Salter who will connect you or the member in need with the pastor on call.

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Grace's Sandwich Day is Tuesday

If you haven't made sandwiches before, instructions are on page 2. You can make them any week you are able.



The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold. Psalm 46

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Last Week

10th Sunday after Pentecost, 8/09/20

Attendance: 9:15 am 29 (online views not included)

EEC List of Needed Items for when you shop...

- Grocery store gift cards (so the food cupboard can buy what is needed)
- Chunky soup (heart healthy)
- Soup: clam chowder, split pea, lentil, black bean, vegetable, tomato
- Canned: olives, spinach, asparagus, mushrooms
- Tuna in OIL
- cereal (presently, hot oatmeal is NOT needed)
- Salad dressing
- 100% juice
- your backyard garden surplus - call Carol for pick up.

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

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, text or call Jelly Czar Lou to let him know how many sandwiches you made.

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Food Ministries: Sources of Food

Food Cupboard Distribution

The food cupboard at *Emmanuel EEC* (100 S Main Street)
Open next: Tuesday, August 18, 5:30 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, August 18, noon

Emmanuel Lutheran Church (69 W Broad St, Souderton) has a daily meal program. 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.

Open: 6 days a week, Monday - Saturday
10:30 am - 1:00 pm (rear entrance)

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 Mason, 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), Cindy Mancuso, Anne Lewis, Joyce Salter, Jim Pluda, John Stangl, Ken Seiler, Sr (Ken's dad), Terry Stringfellow (friend of Dale and Mary Jane Moyer), Hazel Mascaro, RJ Bernheiser, Ruthann Rex (Kathy Stawasz' mom), Rita Hamilton (Roney's friend), Jeanine Marie Cabrera (Jean Shaffer's daughter), Rich Woltmann, Shirley and Bob Yoder, Peggy Long

For all who grieve, including:

The family and friends of Bob Darde; Fred Matolicz; Lillian Buschman (Kerry Stone's grandmother); Shannon Ryan; Ralph Buffone; Millie Anderson; Arline Kratz; Marilyn Homan; Barbara Masser (Ray's wife); Joan Lattanze; Samuel Barndt (cousin of Andrea Roney); Joan Miller; TreMar; Karen Weirbach; Diane Graham Miller; George Townsend (Roney's friend); Donna Plawa; Jean Goetter; Beto Dominguez (Jesus Tula's cousin), John Green (Jess Moran's uncle), Edward Felix McTeigue (Reilly's friend)

Lost to Covid-19:

Elizabeth Coyle, Crystal Tula's great aunt; Charlotte Hutchinson, Jess Moran's grandmother; Victor Dominguez, Jesus Tula's uncle

For those in active duty military service:

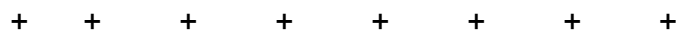
Robert McNulty, Marines, basic training
Jessica Murphy, Air Force
Matthew Smyrl, Army; Nathaniel Smyrl, PA Army National Guard

For active duty military deployed overseas:

Kyle Murphy, Air Force



Peggy Long had knee surgery and is recuperating at her son's home. If you would like to send a card to Peggy the address is: Scott Long 514 Garfield Avenue, Lansdale, PA 19446



The Sunday School and Youth Teachers at Grace want to share this message from the ELCA:

After much prayer and consideration, we have decided to postpone next summer's ELCA Youth Gathering to 2022 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The 2022 ELCA Youth Gathering will be held July 24-28, 2022, in Minneapolis, with the two pre-events scheduled for July 21-24, 2022.

We give thanks for your prayers and patience as we have worked through the details with our partners in Minneapolis and across the country. We hope that by postponing the Gathering for a year, individuals and congregations will feel more comfortable and prepared to attend the Gathering in 2022. We look forward to seeing you and experiencing the boundlessness of God in Minneapolis in 2022!

#ELCAYG2022