



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

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

December 6th – Second Week of Advent

SUNDAY MORNING

Welcome to Grace! We worship indoors with one service at 9:15 am by using certain safety protocols to care for each other. As attendance rises, we will consider returning to two services at 8 am and 10:30 am.

Find Grace Worship Online

Go online in any way (phone, tablet, or computer with any browser). Go to www.YouTube.com and search for: Grace Hatfield Services (posted each week on Wednesday following the Sunday, at noon). Find the lessons & prayers on Grace's website. **Spread the word!**

The Flowers on the altar are provided this week to the glory of God by Andrea Roney in honor of James Ryan (JR) Roney's 7th birthday, and by Barb Watts in honor of the WELCA Committee.

For Sunday School: We're holding Sunday school by Zoom. Contact Laura Slugg for your personal invite (pj's are ok!)

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.

From the Executive Committee:

During this unprecedented time of COVID, Grace's leaders have worked hard to establish protocols and procedures to help keep us safe. Our Grace family has taken personal responsibility and if someone is not feeling well or is at risk, have stayed home and enjoyed online services. Going forward, we will continue to have in-person services as well as on line services, as long as it is deemed safe from government officials to do so. That may mean additional changes at some point in time, but we believe that trying to worship together is worth the additional safety precautions. We know that working together we can do this!

If you still have not sent in your survey for Christmas Eve worship, please call the office when you know which service you will attend. The choices are 4pm, 6:30pm, and 9pm. ❤️ ❤️ ❤️

2021 Offering Envelopes

Please pick up your 2021 offering envelopes on the table in the narthex. Just a reminder that you should not use these new envelopes until January 2021.

WELCA has a box for Christmas cards for our homebound people in the Narthex. If anybody would like to give Christmas cards, you don't need to send them. There will be a list of names for you to take. The box will be there from November 22 to December 6. Thank you!

Sweets for Sharing Is Returning!

Baking this holiday season? At home and looking to do something to help others? Then bake (or buy if you prefer) an extra dozen for someone that can use something sweet to brighten their holiday. Drop your cookies or candies off in Grace's kitchen or at 155 Forrest Way, Hatfield (you can leave them by the front door) by December 9th by 4:30 pm. That evening, the InReach Team will be packing them up in order to distribute them that week. For more information contact Peggy.



Confirmed on Sunday, November 29th:

Olivia Grace Stone

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand...

Ephesians 6:10-11

Wyeth Oliver Slugg

The prophet Isaiah's response to God's call, in spite of feeling initially that he wasn't sure he had all that he needed to be the prophet that God wanted him to be:

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who shall go for us?" and I said, "'Here am I.' Send me."

Isaiah 6:8

Seth Michael Herculini

God's word for Joshua, a leader in Israel, as he was about to set out to lead his people in a difficult time:

I command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.

Joshua 1:9



Adopt-A-Family Christmas Project

All gifts are due THIS SUNDAY! We will pack up all your wonderful gifts and prepare them to be delivered to our families. Thank you so much for shopping and supporting our families, the Stepping Stone Staff and the Welcome Church. Our scout troop also shopped for our family and friends. Special thanks to Crystal Tula for helping with the scout project and delivery. What a wonderful way to share the Christmas Spirit! The Giving In Service Team appreciates your generosity!

EEC Food Cupboard UPDATES...

Every week your generous donations are filling a growing number of people in Hatfield who are finding it necessary to get their household supplies and food from the EEC food cupboard. Thank you so much for continuing to drop off donations in our plastic food bins located under the portico at Grace, as well as in the food bins in the narthex. Any additional items you can pick up while you shop will make a difference. Updated wish lists for scarce items will be shared in Grace notes. Janet Hague shared the October

figures: 2,560 lbs. of food distributed to 45 families (155 individuals, 1/3 of them children)

The items that are currently in the most need:

- Gift cards – Janet can shop for exactly what is needed
- Canned Vegetables: asparagus, carrots, peas, spinach, lima beans, mixed vegetables, whole tomatoes
- Tuna in oil
- Vinegar – pint or quart
- Applesauce – Large cans or jars (29-30 oz)
- Pasta, boxed – any shape or size except spaghetti
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper – individually wrapped
- Shampoo
- Body Wash

Items **NOT** currently needed: Cranberry sauce, pumpkin, canned sweet potatoes, baked beans, kidney beans, black beans

Distribution date: Tuesday afternoon 1:00-2:00 pm: Dec 8, 22, & 29, 2020 plus Jan 12 & 26, 2021 and Tuesday evening 5:30-6:30 pm: Dec 1 & 15 plus Jan 5 & 19, 2021

The food cupboard is available to all Hatfield borough residents, so please reach out if you, or someone you know, would benefit from receiving supplemental food pantry items. 215-855-2540; foodcupboard@yahoo.com. Volunteers are ALWAYS welcome!

Food Ministries: Sources of Food Food Cupboard Distribution

The food cupboard at *Emmanuel EEC* (100 S Main Street) Open next: Tuesday, December 8, 1:00 pm

Emmanuel Lutheran Church (69 W Broad St, Souderton) has a daily meal program. Anyone may come for a bagged meal with 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, Mon – Sat, 10:30 am – 1:00 pm
Entrance in the rear

This Week at Grace

Sunday, December 6 9:15 am	Worship in person Annual Budget Meeting after the service Cookies due for Sweets for Sharing Adopt A Family gifts are Due
10:30 am	Sunday School, ZOOM
Offerings?	Use the DONATE NOW button on our website. OR: Mail offerings to the office; or drop in locked mailbox at Stepping Stones entrance.
Monday-Wednesday 7:30 am – 5:30 pm	Stepping Stones Day Care
Tuesday, December 8 8:00 am – 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Welcome Bread Sandwiches Property Team Meeting Worship and Music, ZOOM
Wednesday, December 9 12:00 pm	Sunday's worship posted: www.YouTube.com Search: Grace Hatfield Services
6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Yoga Cookie packing at Schmidt's
Sunday, December 13 9:15 am	Worship in person-new members joining
10:30 am	Sunday School, ZOOM

Last Week (in person attendance #s only included)

First Week of Advent, 11/29/20

Attendance: 66 total

General Fund - \$1,435.00 Capital Fund - \$710.00

Yoga will continue inside thru December. Classes will be held on: 12/2, 12/9, and 12/16. They will then stop for the holidays and begin again on 1/6/21.

We will assess the COVID situation each month. If anything changes and we need to stop, you will be notified.

COST: \$5/class fee will be donated to Welcome Bread (Make checks payable to: Grace Lutheran Church)

WHO: Ages 18 and up

What is needed: exercise mat (let Kathy Stawasz know if you need one) ----- Questions? Contact Kathy

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For All Who Grieve, including: The family and friends of Bob Darde; Fred Matolicz; Lillian Buschman (Kerry Stone's grandmother); Shannon Ryan; Ralph Buffone; Marilyn Homan; Barbara Masser (Ray's wife); Joan Lattanze; Samuel Barndt, cousin of Andrea Roney; TreMar; Karen Weirbach; Diane Graham Miller; George Townsend (Roney's friend); Donna Plawa: Beto Dominguez (Jesus Tula's cousin), John Green (Jess Moran's uncle), Edward Felix McTeigue (Reilly's friend), Tomasa Dominguez (Jesus Tula's grandmother), Al Godshall, William Hardnock, Rita Hamilton (Roney's friend), Margaret Ann Berman (MJ Moyer's family), Carol Capanear, Jim Markowski

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 military deployed overseas: Kyle Murphy, Air Force



