

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

## **GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

February 14th - Transfiguration of Our Lord

#### **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 <a href="www.YouTube.com">www.YouTube.com</a> 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 Betty Murray in memory of her mother's birthday, Edna Moore, and by Jean Shaffer in honor of her birthday.

**The Eternal Light candle** is offered this week to the glory of God by the Plawa-Oxenford family in memory of Joan and Paul Plawa, Sr.'s wedding anniversary 2/14/52.

**The Bulletin** is sponsored this week by Jason and Ashley Plawa (Ayla's godparents) in honor of Ayla Grace Plawa.

**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.

# HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!









# Soupathon

Now is the time to pre-order some tasty soup for these cold wintry days! On February 28th we will have delicious quarts of soup - Chicken Noodle, Minestrone (meatless), and Split Pea on sale for \$7 per container. You can pre-order yours by filling out the form in the Narthex or give it to one of the INreach Team members. Also, we are looking for soup makers - just register for what type of soup you will be making (please use the provided recipes), the number of quarts you will be making. Please, take the plastic quarts (DON'T forget the lids!) and bring back with your homemade soup. This date also falls on Scout Sunday so we will have extra makers and eaters! Make sure you get your order in! Thank you!



# Ash Wednesday at Grace

Ashes will be available for pickup on a small table outside the Stepping Stones entrance of Grace beginning on Tuesday, 2/16 – near the Stepping Stones entrance. They will be in

small household sized packets with a reading and a prayer and guidance for people to use at home. You may pick up for yourself and for others. Please pass the word.

Grace will also have *one worship service in person* on Ash Wednesday: 7:30 pm with communion. Ashes will be distributed and people will put the ashes on themselves or other members of their own household.



This week we celebrate the baptism of Ayla Grace Plawa during 9:15am worship.

Articles for the Parish News are due this Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup>!

More Thank You's from Christmas Time! Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, WELCA, INreach, carolers, and communion ladies, and Grace church member:

Cookies were enjoyed by all. Butterfly suncatcher is up and catching sun every day. A big thank you to Joyce for a nice communion and to Kay for the WELCA gifts. Carolers/choir, I so miss singing carols along with you, it made my day extra special. I hung all your beautiful Christmas cards on my door and enjoyed seeing them every day. You all made my Christmas bright, special, and merry.

Love in Christ Jesus, Suzanne Colvelle

I would like to thank you for the cookies, cards, and candy. It was very heart warming. Please stay safe. Nancy Sellers

Grace Family,

Thank you so much for thinking of me this holiday season!!

Rebecca White (SS)

## Dear Grace Family,

Thank you so much for your generosity and for thinking of me this holiday season. I feel so blessed to work with you all.

Miss Jessica (Stepping Stones)

## **EEC Food Cupboard UPDATES...**

The items that are currently in the most need: Gift cards, canned vegetables: asparagus, carrots, peas, spinach, lima beans, mixed vegetables, whole tomatoes, tuna <u>in oil</u>, 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

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; <a href="mailto:foodcupboard@yahoo.com">foodcupboard@yahoo.com</a>. 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, February 16, 5:30pm

Hatfield Church of the Brethren (1333 Cowpath) Open next: Monday, February 16, 12:00pm Saturday, February 20, 10:00am

*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

### Serving Schedule for Worship

February 14-Ushers-Jeff Krout & Don Capanear Lector-Jean Shaffer February 21-TBD

#### This Week at Grace

Sunday, February 14	
9:15 am	Worship in person
	Baptism of Ayla Plawa
	Parish News articles 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.
Tuesday-Friday	
7:30 am - 5:30 pm	Stepping Stones Day Care
	Closed Monday for
	President's Day
Tuesday, February 16	
8:00 am - 7:00 pm	Welcome Bread Sandwiches
7:00pm	Council Meeting, F/H
	(ZOOM option)
Wednesday, February 17	
6:00 pm	Yoga, F/H
Sunday, February 21	
9:15 am	Worship in person/ Sunday
10:30 am	School, ZOOM

Last Week (in person attendance #s only included)
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany, 2/7/21
Attendance: 9:15am,
General Fund - \$. Capital Fund - \$.

Yoga time change - 6pm! Please remember to wear a mask! 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? Call Kathy

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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 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), Anne Lewis, Joyce Salter, Jim Pluda, Ken Seiler, Sr (Ken's dad), Terry Stringfellow, (friend of Dale and Mary Jane Moyer), Hazel Mascaro, Ruthann Rex (Kathy Stawasz' mom), Jeanine Marie Cabrera (Jean Shaffer's daughter), Rich Woltmann, Shirley and Bob Yoder, Peggy Long, Ashley Plawa Reiss, Kent Peterman, Robyn Gibson (Phyllis McKeefrey's stepdaughter), Judith Stangl (John's sister), Lorraine Snyder, Julie Savitz, Vickie West, Merilyn Forst, Bob Rufe (Mary Jane Moyer's brother), Terri Markowski, Loretta Seiler, Bailey Vinson (Liz Bauer's great-granddaughter)

For All Who Grieve, including: The family and friends of Bob Darde; Shannon Ryan; Marilynn Homan; Barbara Masser (Ray's wife); Samuel Barndt, cousin of Andrea Roney; TreMar; Karen Weirbach; Diane Graham Miller; George Townsend (Roney's friend); Al Godshall, William Hardnock, Rita Hamilton (Roney's friend), Margaret Ann Berman (MJ Moyer's family), Carol Capanear, Jim Markowski, Scott Ball, Joan Amundsen, Marge Walmsley (Bruce Schmidt's cousin)

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

INreach and Pastor Peterman are working to create guidelines for our prayer lists, so we'll have ways both of adding people to them, and of taking people off of them, as appropriate. We've had the pattern in the past of adding people on and not checking back, so sometimes the person has long been healed, or has died, and we keep praying, as though nothing has happened...

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For now, INreach has proposed, and Council has agreed, that when a member of Grace dies, or a loved one of someone at Grace dies and would like the family and friends to be remembered in prayer, that we will hold them publicly in prayer for 3 months together, then their names will cycle off.

We know that grieving takes longer than 3 months! Our Sunday prayers often mention those who are grieving, though often not by name unless there's been a recent death; we highlight those who are grieving on All Saints Sunday, among others, at our annual meeting, when we remember members who were lost in the past year, and on other special occasions. We invite you to bring all your requests to God in prayer!

Ask, says Jesus, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.

Matthew 7:7