



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

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

February 21st - First Sunday in Lent

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 Kathy Stawasz in honor of Bob's birthday, and by Crystal Dutter.

The Eternal Light candle is offered this week to the glory of God by Karen and Ken Seiler in memory of Betty (mom) Schultz.

The Bulletin does not have a sponsor this week.

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.



The preacher for the morning is the Rev. Wayne Shelor, an Intentional Interim Pastor of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod, serving at St. John's Lutheran Church in Phoenixville. (digital format)

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!
Crystal Tula

The Giving in Service Team would like to thank the congregation for supporting our Laurel House project. Your gifts will provide the resources for the women and children cared for by the Laurel House staff.



Ayla Grace is baptized
Pictured here with her parents, Ashley & Zach
(Is she looking at the water in the font?)



The families gather 'round Ayla to celebrate her baptism with her Grace family.



Our font surrounded by children, fascinated!
Ayla with her dad, Zach; big sister, Olivia, far left;
cousin, Moira, to her right; and friends

Rice Bowl Project begins TODAY

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 six Sundays in Lent. Envelopes are also available at the Rice Bowl Display in the narthex. The Rice Bowl for your offering will be located on the stand by the processional cross at the end of the center aisle in the sanctuary. Our gifts will be shared with three organizations: The Hatfield Food Cupboard at Emmanuel Evangelical Congregational Church in Hatfield, Manna on Main Street in Lansdale and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America World Hunger. It is our hope that you will consider giving your extra gifts by simplifying your life in some way or by making an intentional effort to put others before your needs and wants. The Rice Bowl allows small gifts to come together to make a big difference in the lives of those in need. The Giving in Service Team

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 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

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, February 23, 1:00pm

Hatfield Church of the Brethren (1333 Cowpath)
 Open next: Monday, February 22, 6:30pm

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 21- Ushers: Kathy Stawasz & Kay Stone
 Lay Leader: Frank Stone
 February 28-Ushers: Bob Smyrl and Ken Seiler,
 Lector: Ken Seiler, Communion Assistant: Jaime Snyder
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This Week at Grace

Sunday, February 21 9:15 am 10:30 am	Worship in person 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
Tuesday, February 23 8:00 am – 7:00 pm 3:30pm 7:00pm	Welcome Bread Sandwiches Confirmation, ZOOM INreach, ZOOM
Wednesday, February 24 Lenten Midweek Meditation 6:00 pm 7:30 pm	Check Facebook Yoga, F/H New Team for Building Relationships/Outreach ZOOM
Thurs., Feb 25 7:30 pm	Communication Team ZOOM
Sunday, February 28 9:15 am 10:30 am	Worship in person Sunday School, ZOOM

Last Week (in person attendance #s only included)

Transfiguration of Our Lord, 2/14/21

Attendance: 9:15am, 46

General Fund - \$5,255.00. **Capital Fund** - \$425.00.

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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For All Who Grieve, including: The family and friends of Bob Darde; Marilyn Homan; Barbara Masser (Ray's wife); Karen Weirbach; Diane Graham Miller; Al Godshall, William Hardnock, 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

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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...

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