

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

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

July 4th - The 6th Sunday after Pentecost

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 to the glory of God by Phyllis McKeefrey in memory of her stepdaughter, Robyn Gibson and by Richard R. Badman in honor of his granddaughter, Brynna, on her birthday.

The Bulletins are provided this week to the glory of God by Fay and Tom Younger in honor of their first grandchild, Layla Gray Younger, born 6/21.

There is NO sponsor for the Eternal Light Candle this week.

Communion Cards: Please remember to fill out a communion card. We maintain records of those who commune.

We often take 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 a Church Council member know if you would prefer that you and/or your child's image not be used.

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July Birthdays

7/12 Doris Griffenberg7/20 Caroll Buffone, eCards if possible7/22 Ken Kratz, 563

7/3 Joyce Salter For contact information, please contact the

church office 215-855-4676

News Around Grace

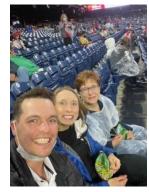
As Peggy Long continues her treatment, she will be staying with her sons and the best way to reach her is via email.

Kitty Heckler's new address is in Harleysville as of July 6th. Contact the church office for more details.

Pastoral care needs between now and July 5th when Pastor Nancy Raabe begins her work is our neighbor, Pastor John Heidgerd of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Souderton who has agreed to be available to cover those needs. To reach him, call the church office during regular hours, M-Th, 9-noon, 215-855-4676, or call Council member Joyce Salter.

If you know of a need that is less urgent, you might touch base with a member of INreach to have a member of that team reach out with a friendly phone call, or, if appropriate a visit or a meal. Crystal Tula is Chair of INreach.

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Pastor Raabe at a very wet Phillies versus Milwaukee Brewers game with her daughter Margaret and son-in-law Greg.

With unbridled joy we will welcome Pastor Nancy Raabe to our pulpit and into our hearts with her first service on July 11th. Afterwards please join us for some fellowship time.

As we welcome Pastor Raabe, her message to Grace is:

Dear Grace family,

Warm summer greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Bill and I are delighted to be here in Hatfield and are slowly getting settled in. Well, slowly for me...quickly for him. Being an accountant, he knows how to get things done efficiently. His home office was all set up the day after we arrived, while for me, arranging the house is more of a creative work in progress. But it is all getting done in God's time with the marvelous help of our daughter Margaret and her husband Greg. It is a tremendous blessing for us not only to be entering into this lively community of faith at Grace and getting to know the charms of Hatfield, but also to be living so close to our beloved children. We miss our son Martin and his wife Bekah in Minneapolis, but they have promised to visit every so often. And for them, "visiting" means that these two culinary-minded souls prepare ALL our meals. How great is that?

The hospitality you have shown us already is beyond what we could ever have imagined. Not only did Grace members plant vegetables, flowers and herbs out in back and stock our refrigerator before our arrival, but we had several marvelous meals delivered in those first few days along with more nourishing provisions to keep us going. Bill and I thank you most sincerely for this beautifully conceived welcome.

Peggy has kept me very well informed about everything that is going on at Grace. This past week I met with Pastor Peterman and Kevin, and will move into the office starting July 6. I look forward eagerly to meeting each of you, to hearing your stories, and most of all to worshiping with you. I love to sing, and to my mind it is truly a work of God's grace that we may now worship without face coverings. "Let everything that has breath praise the Lord." (Psalm 150:6)

See you in church! Grace and peace, Pastor Raabe



Grace's first picnic of 2021 will be held at the Schmidt's on July 21st beginning at 6:30 pm. Bring a side dish or dessert to share.



Grace's Used Book Sale

Do you have any books that you no longer read? Then donate them to Grace's Used Book Sale to be held on July 24th from 8 am to 12 noon in Fellowship Hall. All types of gently used books will be accepted! Please place them in the container in the Narthex. Proceeds from the sale will go to Vacation Bible School and other youth programs at Grace. Leftover books will be placed in our new Little Library and donated to the Food Cupboards, Mitzah and other local charities.

This Week at Grace

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Sunday, July 4	
9:15 am	Worship in person
	Lay Leader/Video Sermon
Offerings?	Use the DONATE NOW button
	on our website. OR: Mail to the
	office; or drop in locked
	mailbox outside
Monday - Friday	
7:00 am - 5:30 pm	Stepping Stones Summer Camp
Monday, July 5	Church Office and Stepping
	Stones CLOSED for holiday
Tuesday, July 6	Pr. Raabe will be in the office
8:00 am - 7:00 pm	Bread Drop Sandwiches
7:00 pm	Stitchers
Wed., July 7	
7:30 pm	Communication Team (Zoom)
Sunday, July 11	
9:15 am	Worship in person
	Pr. Raabe's First Service

July 4, 9:15 am – Ushers: Dave Kunkel/Kay Stone
Lector: Richard Badman
Lay Leader: Frank Stone
July 11, 9:15 am – Ushers: Bruce & Peggy Schmidt

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July Council Opener/Lockup: Diane Ball

+ + + + + + New Mask Protocol

At the recommendation of Worship and Music and approval of Council the following is the new mask protocol for Sunday services: Beginning Sunday, June 27th masking is no longer mandatory, but is optional, and is required if you have not been vaccinated. We will maintain other protocols, but continue to evaluate our next steps. If you are visiting Grace while Stepping Stones is in session you MUST wear your mask. If you are at Grace when Stepping Stones is not there, you do not have to wear a mask.

Pastor Penman will provide a sermon for July 4th in digital format. Grace will meet in person on July 4th.



Beer Tasting Fundraiser for Tiny Houses!

Cathy and Lou Farrell are grateful that Grace has allowed them to host a beer tasting fundraiser for Sanctuary Village, the tiny house project. It will take place at Grace on

Saturday, July 31st from 2 to 4 pm, *indoors*. *Parking will be at Grace*. Tickets are a \$50 donation per person and includes appetizers and a \$10 gift certificate to Hatfield Beverage. To purchase tickets, email Cathy or go to her website: <u>www.tinyhousecommunity.org</u>

Bring your friends and come help out Sanctuary Village while learning about beer!

Food Ministries: Sources of Food Food Cupboard Distribution

The food cupboard at *Emmanuel EEC* (100 S. Main St.)

Open next: Tuesday, July 6th, 5:30 pm

Hatfield Church of the Brethren (1333 Cowpath Rd.)

Open next: Tuesday, July 6th, 12:00 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

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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), Joyce Salter, Terry Stringfellow, (friend of Dale and Mary Jane Moyer), Hazel Mascaro, Ruthann Rex (Kathy Stawasz' mom), Rich Woltmann, Peggy Long, Judith Stangl (John's sister), Lorraine Snyder, Vickie West, Merilyn Forst, Bob Rufe (Mary Jane Moyer's brother), Loretta Seiler, Bailey Vinson (Liz Bauer's great-granddaughter), Sandy Klinger, Chuck & Linda Arkins (H3C friends), Margaret Stangl (John Stangl's mother), Dale & Mary Jane Moyer, Dave Kunkel, Sue Wieland, Sue & Faith Rowbottom, Joy, Gary & Nicky Torgeson, Janet Williams (Carol MacDonald's mother), the Scarola family (dear friend of Peggy & Bruce Schmidt)

For all who Grieve, including the family and friends of: Ken Seiler, Sr (Ken's dad), Andrew Sobolusky (neighbor of Liz & Tom), Robyn Gibson (Phyllis McKeefrey's stepdaughter), Gail Walter, Jeannine Scarola

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

For our prayers supporting the *grieving* among us, we hold the names of loved ones for 3 months together publicly.

EEC Food Cupboard Updates

The items that are currently in the most need:

- sugar
- flour
- fruit jelly or preserves NOT grape (have plenty!)
- mayonnaise
- ground coffee
- tea bags
- 100% fruit juice
- laundry detergent
- dishwashing liquid
- zip-top baggies all sizes: sandwich, quart, or gallon
- 13-gallon trash bags

Expanded updates and information on food needed for the food cupboard are found in the Summer edition of *Parish News*. Thank you for your generosity!