



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

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH GRACE NOTES

August 8th - The 11th 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 the Walter Family in honor of the wedding of Bryan Walter & Lauren Cartlidge and by Betty Murray in honor of Richard Badman on his birthday.

For flower sponsors, please take your flowers home after worship if you want them!

There is NO Sponsor for the Bulletin this week.

The Eternal Light Candle is provided to the glory of God by the Walter family in memory of Ruth Walter.

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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August Birthdays

8/17, Kitty Heckler, 80th Birthday!

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Communion

A reminder that the communion practice we are continuing is an intermediate step on the way back to the means of receiving the sacrament that we used to enjoy. The Worship and Music Committee feels that this way of distribution is safer for now, rather than gathering a number of us together at the front to receive. We ask for your patience as we are continually in the process of arranging our worship life in a way that best demonstrates our care and concern for each other.

Keep our Online Calendar up to date

If you are a team leader and schedule a meeting, we want to make sure it appears on our online calendar (which you can find on the web site by clicking on "What's Happening"). Our office administrator, Lynn Fasick, is doing a terrific job of keeping that updated, but she can't do it without dates, times and locations. Please send these to her at graceassistant40@gmail.com, or call the office at 215-855-4676, whenever you schedule a meeting or if any changes to existing meetings are made. Thank you!

Love for Neighbor

In John 13:34 Jesus gives us "a new commandment: love one another. Just as I have loved you, you must also love one another." There is no better expression of love for neighbor than concern for their well-being. With the Covid risk level steadily increasing in Montgomery County as elsewhere, please remember that certain Covid guidelines remain in effect here at Grace to ensure the safety of all our members and friends:

- Please stay home from church if you feel even slightly ill in any way; watch the service online when it is posted by Wednesday of each week.
- While we are not yet asking you to wear face masks during our church services, we want to remind you of this important safety practice. Your Council and staff are continuing to track the numbers in our area and, if the increase continues to be significant, we may need to return to asking you to wear face coverings. How this will affect our worship life will be evaluated by our Council and Worship and Music Committee with care, compassion, and a desire to invite you into the fullness of worship in whatever way ensures the promise of abundant life for us all. As before, face coverings are required in the building whenever Stepping Stones is in session.
- Please observe social distancing when you are visiting with others in the sanctuary or narthex, and as you are coming forward for communion. The best place to visit with each other continues to be outside!

Assisting Minister

Beginning last week, we restored the Assisting Minister to our worship life on communion Sundays. If you would like to serve in this important leadership role, please talk to Kay Stone or Pastor Raabe.



Beer Tasting Roundup

The beer tasting fundraiser at Grace on Saturday for Sanctuary Village's future tiny house community was a great success! Lou Farrell, pictured here, took us on a whirlwind tour of the industry and schooled us in the right glasses for different

brews. Thanks to Lou and to Sanctuary Village Board President Cathy Farrell for their advocacy of this critical community effort. Go here to give or to learn more: <https://www.tinyhousecommunity.org/>

Website Alert

How often do you visit gracelutheranhatfield.org? Never, you say? ☺ Well, how about making it a practice to check in with our website every so often and send us ideas and suggestions? If you see something that's out of date, let Pastor Raabe know and she and web master Bonnie Stangl will work to get it updated. Or if you notice something missing altogether, or if you have some eye-catching photos that would brighten it up, send those as well. Our site is always a work in progress and you can be part of that work!

This Week at Grace

Sunday, August 8 9:15 am	Worship in person
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, August 9 7:30 pm	Christian Connections, F/H
Tuesday, August 10 8:00 am - 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Bread Drop Sandwiches Laymen Playmen Board Mtg. Worship & Music
Sunday, August 15 9:15 am	Worship in person Children's Message

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The office is open 9 am - noon, Monday to Thursday.

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Please let Pastor Raabe know if you would like someone added to this list, or if someone you have added is no longer in need of urgent prayers.

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 MacDonal'd's), Joyce Salter, Terry Stringfellow, (friend of Dale and Mary Jane Moyer), Hazel Mascaro, Ruthann Rex (Kathy Stawasz' mom), Rich Woltmann, Peggy Long, Lorraine Snyder, Vickie West, Marilyn 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 MacDonal'd's mother), the Scarola family (dear friends of Peggy & Bruce Schmidt), Helen Godshall, Mark Moyer, Debbie Hendricks (cousin of Mary Jane Moyer), Debbie Zuech-Smyrl

For all who grieve, including the family and friends of: Ken Seiler, Sr (Ken's dad), Andrew Sobolusky (neighbor of Liz & Tom), Gail Walter, Jeanne 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.

Acolyte Training/Refresher for those going into 4th grade and older

It's important for everyone to help out the church in some way. An easy and fun way young people can do their part is by being an acolyte. The acolyte is the person who lights the candle before worship, helps the pastor during the service and then puts to candles out at the end. A training/refresher course will be offered by Wyeth Slugg after worship on 8/8 and 8/28. Please let him know which day you'd like to attend.

Sunday, 8/1/21

Attendance: 9:15 am, 52

General Fund - \$1,951 Capital Fund - \$665

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Serving Schedule for Worship

August 8, 9:15 am - Ushers: Ken & Karen Seiler

Lector: Richard Badman

August 15, 9:15 am - Ushers: D.Capanear & K.Deussing

Lector: Bob Reilly

August Council Opener/Lockup: Peggy Schmidt

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Food Ministries: Sources of Food

Food Cupboard Distribution

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

Open next: Tuesday, August 10th, 1:00 pm

Hatfield Church of the Brethren (1333 Cowpath Rd.)

Open next: Tuesday, August 10th, 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

EEC Food Cupboard Updates

- corned beef hash
- quick-cooking grits
- cream of wheat
- strawberry jam
- 100% fruit juice
- toothpaste
- razors and shaving cream
- deodorant, especially men's
- body wash
- shampoo - men's & women's
- conditioner
- laundry detergent
- dishwashing liquid
- trash bags: 13 gal or 33 gal

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!

Come and join us for Grace's first Community Coffee House featuring live music on Thursday, August 26th from 7:00-9:30 pm in and around the Fellowship room and patio. Interested in showcasing your talents or want to volunteer to help? Contact Dan Sarm.