

# Parish News

To Glorify God To Grow in Faith To Give In Service Together in Christ

#### September 2021

# From Pastor Raabe

# The Bible as God's "Living" Word

Recently I was caught up short when I was writing a sermon and typed the phrase "a copy of the Bible." Wait a minute, I thought—there is no such thing as "a copy" of the Bible. There is only "the Bible." Every Bible is an entity unto itself. There is no such thing as "a copy." Yet, if you go to Barnes & Noble you'll see (I hope) a whole shelf of Bibles. So what am I trying to say?



To use that phrase, "a copy of the Bible," would be like saying "a copy of

Joanne Moyer" or "a copy of Tom Salter." (Forgive me, Joanne and Tom, for using you as examples.) They are alive at a particular time and in a particular place as unique creations of God. Your encounter with them—which is how you know them—is going to be unlike that with any other human being.

But, you say, isn't the Bible basically the same no matter which book or version you happen to be holding? Don't they all have the same internal books with the same words—at least if we are talking about a given translation such as the NRSV, which mainline Protestant denominations have adopted for the sake of consistency as standard in their worship life?

The answer is: No. The Bible is God's living word, and it does Cont.

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not spring to life until human beings open it and set their minds and hearts on a given passage. Whatever the passage, each person experiences it differently depending on what is going on in their lives at the moment of encounter. Because of this, no two encounters with the Bible are ever the same. Just as with Joanne and Tom.

To help with this idea, let's take the most famous phrase in the Bible itself about how it is God's living word, Hebrews 4:12-13.

For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. (NIV)

Graphic imagery perhaps, but what this is saying is that God's word cuts through our stuff, whatever we are throwing up there to try to protect us from hard realities, and gets to the heart of the matter. And because only God knows what our "stuff" is, this becomes a living encounter in a unique way because God knows what we need at that very moment.

Studying a verse in different translations can bring it into even sharper relief. Find the translation that speaks to you; biblehub.com is one place you can easily locate many of these. Instead of the New International Version as above, perhaps Hebrews 4:12 makes more sense to you in the Common English Version:

God's word is alive and powerful! It is sharper than any double-edged sword. His word can cut through our spirits and souls and through our joints and marrow, until it discovers the desires and thoughts of our hearts. (CEV)

I especially like the way the CEV goes on with Hebrews 4:13: Nothing is hidden from God! He sees through everything, and we will have to tell him the truth.

With this in mind, I'd like to take the assurances of a familiar hymn one step further. "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" concludes with this stanza:

3 Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge--

#### From Pastor Raabe cont.; Minister of Music

take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do your friends despise, forsake you?
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you;
you will find a solace there.
(ELW 742, text by Joseph Scriven, 1820-1886)

Whatever is on your heart, and goodness knows we have a lot weighing on us at present, take it to God through his living word. Because there, at that moment, our Lord will do more than just give you comfort—there, you WILL find new life, a new way of thinking, a new way of seeing, a new awareness of the abundance of God's gifts for us, a deeper understanding of who our Lord and Savior is for each of us as our rock, our refuge, our salvation.

May the peace of Christ which passes all understanding guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Pastor Raabe

#### From our Minister of Music

Dear friends,



What a beautiful summer it has been. As of late, I really love the cooler evenings! As I write this message to you, a new dog joined our family last week. Both our dogs are rescues and I have to admit my heart has doubled in size, too. We now have two dogs



and two cats. I'm attaching a picture of the two

dogs, Molly (left) and Harley (right ).

Before Pastor Peterman said her goodbyes, she gave me a gift to pass along to our choir and to Grace congregation. She has funded the cost of a new choir anthem of my choosing so I selected "I will sing and not be silent" by Allen Pote. It is rhythmic and uplifting and will be a joy to sing and listen to. When the choir resumes rehearsals we will start learning this music.

Do you remember Bugs Bunny and Donald Duck in the Warner Brothers Cartoons? In one scene, those two characters went at each arguing in front of Elmer Fudd whether it was Duck Season or Wabbit Cont.

# Page 4 Minister of Music, cont.; New Worship Precautions

Season. Well, it's difficult to say where my head is at on the matter, but I feel bad for poor Elmer Fudd who was always poked and prodded and outsmarted. If you're not familiar with the scene, just know that it was a comical moment where Bugs has your attention, makes you laugh again and again, captures your hearts and as always, gets his carrot, too!.

The world we live in today is more complex than rabbits and carrots. Oddly, sometimes when I think of the drama in the world today I sit back and think "What would Bugs do"? I think he would wear a mask but with hole for chewing his carrot. Am I right? The goodness of simple humor is something I hope you'd agree is nice to consider as an alternative to feeling stress or upset over things we are faced with individually or as a society.

On a positive carrot, I mean, note... It's been so nice to see many folks at church recently! If you haven't been to church lately, please know you are missed and prayed for. God's Grace and abundant love surrounds us all and when you have a moment to make it to church, please do say hello to me. I always enjoy seeing everyone. The choir will be happy to sing for you!



A Bug's quote ... Don't take life too seriously. You'll never get out alive!

Kevin

#### **New Worship Precautions**

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers." (Galatians 6:9-10)

As the spread of the virus continues to increase in our area, we are once again requiring face coverings at all times in the building, including during worship. While masks are not yet mandated by the county for indoor gatherings, your church leadership feels this is the wisest decision for the well-being of our members, although the lector and pastor may remove their masks when addressing the congregation from the chancel area. Please closely observe other safety measures to which we are well accustomed. We pray that this phase of the pandemic will pass soon and enable us to return to the full fellowship that we enjoyed earlier this summer. In the meantime, as Paul says above: Hang in there!

The Central Philadelphia (Korean) Church will be worshiping on Sundays at noon in the Sanctuary following CDC best practices.

Tues. are Bread Drop Sandwich Days. The coolers will be out 8am-7pm.

Yoga well be every Wednesday at 6:30pm Starting on Sep 15th

Wed Sep 1, 2021	11:00am	WELCA (at the Salter's)
Sun Sep 5, 2021 Mon, Sep 6, 2021 Tue, Sep 7, 2021 Fri, Sep 10, 2021		
Sun Sep 12, 2021 Mon Sep 13, 2021 Tue Sep 14, 2021 Fri Sep 17, 2021 Sat Sep 18, 2021	9:15am 7:30pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 9:00am	Worship Service—Ministry Fair Christian Connections, as needed (Zoom) Property Team Meeting Worship and Music Laymen Playmen Auditions Laymen Playmen Auditions
Sun, Sep 19 2021	9:15am 10:30am 4:30pm	Worship Service—Parish News articles due Sunday School begins Pastor Raabe Installation Service
Sun, Sep 19 2021  Mon Sep 20 2021 Tue Sep 21, 2021 Wed Sep 22, 2021 Thu Sep 23, 2021 Sat Sep 25, 2021		•
Mon Sep 20 2021 Tue Sep 21, 2021 Wed Sep 22, 2021 Thu Sep 23, 2021	10:30am 4:30pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm 7:30pm	Sunday School begins Pastor Raabe Installation Service Stepping Stones Meeting Council Meeting (Zoom option) HEART meeting Laymen Playmen Board Meeting Cub Pack 510 Garden Cleaning  Worship—Communion/Harvest Home Sunday

Rev. Nancy Raabe will be installed as pastor of Grace on Sunday, September 19 at 4:30 p.m., with Rev. Bryan Penman representing the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod. The service, "Vespers in a New Key," will feature a selection of beautiful evening hymns from Evangelical Lutheran Worship in contemporary arrangements complemented by brief readings, along with a prelude for organ and piano newly composed by Kevin Freaney. Light refreshments will be served on the veranda, weather permitting. The public is warmly invited and face masks are recommended. Please join us to mark this entry into the new chapter of Grace's history.

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, Lorraine Snyder, Vickie West, Merilyn Forst, Bob Rufe (Mary Jane Moyer's brother), Loretta Seiler, Bailey Vinson (Liz Bauer's greatgranddaughter), 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 friends of Peggy & Bruce Schmidt), Helen Godshall, Mark Moyer, Debbie Hendricks (cousin of Mary Jane Moyer), Debbie Zuech-Smyrl, Ralph Schultz (Karen Seiler's father), Madiafe Sheriff, Tom Younger, John Stangl

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; Tim Gibson (brother of Juls Krauskopf, Laymen Playmen member)

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

**Bulletin Summer special will continue -** \$10 a Sunday to sponsor the bulletin. Please sign up in the Narthex. Thank you.

### **WELCA**

Ladies, it's hard to believe how fast summer went. September is just around the corner and September 1st will be our first meeting. We were invited to Joyce and Tom Salter's house for a picnic. Please bring a side dish. Time will be 11am. Their address is 51 North Wayne Ave. Hatfield; phone number 215-855-3045. Hope to see everyone there. .Please bring a friend or two if you like. Maybe, just in case, bring a mask, you never know. Take care, Barb

#### **Soles for Souls**

I bet you've been wondering what to do with all those shoes you never wear....well, wonder no more! Sanctuary Village (the tiny house project) is running a fundraiser through the end of September, and we will gladly take all those shoes off your hands (well, feet).



We are collecting new or gently used shoes/boots of any type (not worn or dirty, please) that we will receive \$0.40 a pound for through an organization called Funds2Orgs who ship the shoes overseas to individuals who resell them and thereby earn a living. Cathy Farrell will be collecting at Grace. Please watch for a box inside by the coat racks and bring your shoes whenever you make a trip to church! There will also be a bin outside on Tuesdays so folks who bring sandwiches can drop off shoes as well.

Please call or email Cathy with any questions. The goal is to collect 200 pairs of shoes at Grace (but my stretch goal is 400....). I appreciate any and all help you can give!

#### 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 <a href="mailto:graceassistant40@gmail.com">graceassistant40@gmail.com</a>, or call the office at 215-855-4676, whenever you schedule a meeting or if any changes to existing meetings are made. Thank you!

**Confirmation** for rising 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders is still a work in progress! Pastor Raabe had looked forward to holding classes in person this year but we must wait and see how things are shaping up later in September. One way or another, we will begin on Wednesday, September 22 at 5 p.m. and continue through December 15 with one week off every 4 to 5 weeks. Pastor Raabe will be reaching out to prospective families about the day and time and, if a schedule works better for you, we will figure it out. Either way, virtual or in person, we are looking forward to a lively year together. Any questions, please contact her anytime!

Page 8 Serving Schedule; Ministry Fair; Laymen Playmen Request

September	5	12	19	26
Altar Guild	June Detweiler	n/a	n/a	Woltmann / Stangl
Communion Assistant	Carol MacDonald	n/a	n/a	Kathy Stawasz
Lector	Jayson Tula	Richard Badman	Beth Krout	Richard Badman
Acolyte	Cristiano Tula	Usher	W Slugg / E. Krout	Usher
Ushers		D.Capanear / K. Deussing	Jeff Krout/ TBD	TBD
Video Recorder	Harold Schaefer	Harold Schaefer	TBD	Harold Schaefer

Council Sender for September: Jaime Kaler

# Ministry Fair—September 12—Fellowship Hall

Come during the morning for some fellowship and to see the typical activities of Grace. There will be displays from committees and project teams to celebrate the many service opportunities that Grace provides.

#### Laymen Playmen Request

"What's Playin' at the Roxy? I'll tell you what's playin' at the Roxy..."
"Follow the Fold" with Laymen Playmen to our 34<sup>th</sup> production, **GUYS and DOLLS**. We took a year off due to Covid and we are now planning for "Luck Be A Lady" with our troupe of "Dolls", "Guys" and Salvation Army members. The Costume Mistresses need your help. We are looking for men's suits and hats. If you would like to donate them, please let MC Reilly know or bring them to the Narthex.

**Photo Policy:** 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 the Pastor or a Church Council member know if you would prefer that you and/or your child's image not be used.

YOGA (Hatha) CLASS back by popular demand. We hope you have all been well. Classes will start again 9/15/21 at 6:30pm. We will have yoga in the parking lot-weather permitting. If bad weather we will be inside. All-levels. Poses and sequences will work on using all parts of the body, and will vary from week to week. This will be suitable for those with some yoga experience but also for anyone with little to none, as options will be offered for the various poses. The goal is to work on strength and flexibility gradually while gaining an ability to focus on breath and awareness.

WHEN: Every Wednesday, 9/15/21 thru 12/15/21 (no class 10/6/21 and 11/24/21 ) at 6:30pm

WHERE: Grace Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, 40 N. Main Street, Hatfield, PA (outside - in the parking lot - if weather permits)

# MASK must be worn (at this time) if inside

COST: \$5/class (Make checks payable to: Grace Lutheran Church)

WHO: Ages 18 and up

What is needed: exercise mat (let me know if you need one) Invite a friend or family member everyone is welcome. Questions Contact Kathy Stawasz.

**Sunday School** will begin on September 19 at 10:30 a.m. as we continue with the "Kid Connection" curriculum. Please see upcoming issues of Grace Notes for registration information.

# **Stepping Stones Update**

The school year is fast approaching and I am very pleased to announce that Stepping Stones is **fully enrolled** for the 2021-2022 school year! We are so excited for so many new faces and friends! This school year promises to be a great and busy one and we can't wait to share it with you! Stepping Stones will be closed on August 26th and 27th as we switch over from Camp to School year and then will be closed again on 9/6 for Labor Day. Miss Jessica will be on vacation the week of 9/6 since she just bought her first house and will be moving so if you have any questions please reach out to Miss Rebecca during that week! Bring on the school year!

Jessica

# Page 10 Sources of Food; ELCA Youth Gathering

Food Ministries: Sources of Food Food Cupboard Distribution

Emmanuel EEC food cupboard (100 S Main Street)
Open: Tuesday afternoons 1:00-2:00 pm: 9/14 & 9/28
Tuesday evenings 5:30-6:30 pm: 9/7 & 9/21

**Hatfield Church of the Brethren** (1333 Cowpath): Is currently opened by appointment only. Contact Pastor Clay at <a href="mailto:Hatfieldfoodbank@yahoo.com">Hatfieldfoodbank@yahoo.com</a> to make an appointment.

**Emmanuel Lutheran Church** (69 W Broad St, Souderton) has a daily meal program. Anyone may come for a bagged meal; 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



# YOUTH, ARE YOU READY?!!??

GOOD NEWS! If you are between the school ages of 8<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade you are eligible to attend the 2022 ELCA Youth Gathering in Minneapolis, MN! If you are interested in attending this gathering **you must participate** in the Getting Ready Courses that are being taught by Ms. Jaime during the Sunday School Hour this Fall and Spring. More information will be sent out in the upcoming weeks regarding the courses. For now, if you are between the school ages of 8<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2021/2022 school year and are interested in attending the 2022 ELCA Youth Gathering please let Ms. Jaime know at so she can add you to the list!

The EEC Food cupboard is continuing to experience a high volume of clients. There are many people in our community that have food insecurity, so much so that they are willing to wait outside in the heat and rain for whatever is available to help feed their families, as well as, getting basic necessities like toilet paper, personal care products, and cleaning supplies. Please know that your donations are a HUGE blessing to so many!

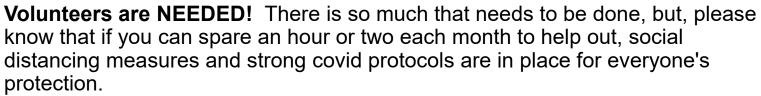
#### **Latest Needs:**

- salad dressing
- ketchup
- mustard
- 100% fruit juice
- toothpaste
- RAZORS (men & women) and shaving cream
- deodorant
- body wash
- shampoo--men's & women's
- conditioner
- · laundry detergent
- dishwashing liquid

# **Upcoming distribution dates & times:**

Tuesdays 1 - 2 pm: September 14 & 28

Tuesdays 5:30 - 6:30 pm: September 7 & 21



- No customers are allowed inside the building
- Customers call to get their place in line and an sheet and clipboard is brought to their car for them to complete
- All volunteers wear masks, use hand sanitizer regularly, and wipe down surfaces with disinfectant
- Volunteers can choose to do any of the following: fill orders, weigh items, take groceries out to customer's cars, or just stock the shelves.

The food cupboard is open to all Hatfield borough residents, so please reach out if you, or someone you know, would benefit from receiving supplemental food pantry items. Messages for Janet Hague can be left at 215-855-2540; <a href="mailto:foodcupboard@yahoocom">foodcupboard@yahoocom</a>. You can also call/email Carol MacDonald for more information.



# Page 12 Thanks; Coat Drive

#### Thanks from Pastor Raabe

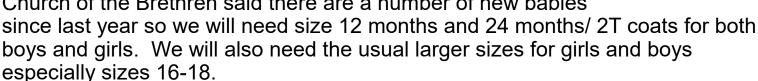
July 15, 2021...Dear INreach Team and Grace members, Rather than one person being in charge of the three spectacular welcome baskets that greeted me on the first day of work, I have the impression that this was a group effort involving many people. I am hoping you will be able to thank, on my behalf, everyone who contributed to these! My thanks are belated because I have to admit I spent the first week simply admiring them (although I did rip into the "birthday" kisses quickly) and then brought them home one by one to share with Bill, open, and enjoy.

I appreciate all the thought and creativity that went into assembling these, from the <u>four</u> varieties of Hershey kisses, to the colorful and wonderfully absorbent dishtowels, the great variety of snacks, toys and treats for our dog Jack, the bottle of wine (what a cute label!) from Bishop's Estate, and the darling Hatfield plush toy (a cow?), to the <u>amazing</u> collection from Asher's Chocolate Co., to the Polar pack lunch tote (which I needed!) and all the goodies it contained. I sent detailed photos of everything to our kids and they were as delighted as we are by your great hospitality and generosity. We are truly blessed to be here at Grace and look forward eagerly, well-fed and nourished, to our lives together!

Gratefully yours in Christ, Pastor Raabe and Bill

#### **Coat Drive:**

H3C will be hosting the Hatfield Community Coat Drive again this year. Covid has given us the opportunity to reorganize our process. This year we will be collecting coats for the children of the two local food cupboards and preschools as needed during the months of September and October. We will need between 150 and 200 coats this year. Pastor Clay Moyer of Church of the Brethren said there are a number of new babies



The plan is to collect the coats at Grace Lutheran until the end of October, and then they will be moved to Church of the Brethren for the distribution. We will not be giving the coats out at Grace.

If you know of anyone who needs a child's coat, please let us know so that a coat can be provided.

# LP Press Release for Guys and Dolls

The Laymen Playmen, Inc. proudly presents its 34<sup>th</sup> production, the Tony Award winning best musical of 1951, **GUYS AND DOLLS**, music and lyrics by Frank Loesser and book by A. Burrows and J. Swerling. The shows will be held at Lansdale United Methodist Church.

The Laymen Playmen, Inc. is up and going after a year of being "dark". We are looking forward to producing our 34<sup>th</sup> show in 35 years. We are not defined by hardships nor circumstances surrounding us whether a fire ten years ago or recent virus, but rather how we react to adversity and come out at the other end. We are as strong as our intent to keep our mission of helping those who can't help themselves.

Join us as we celebrate our ongoing mission of helping with a "hand up and not a hand out" as we donate to the Hatfield Pastors' Fund and local charities. We are proud to have been able to donate over \$170,000.00 over the past 35 years.

#### Auditions for The Laymen Playmen 2022 Show Guys and Dolls will be held on:

Friday September 17, 2021 7:00 pm Saturday September 18, 2021 9:00 am

The audition form is available online and should be printed off and filled out before you arrive.

Auditions will be held at: Grace Lutheran Church

40 North Main Street Hatfield, PA 19440

#### Show Dates for 2022 are:

Friday February 11	7:30 pm		
Saturday February 12	2:00 pm	&	7:30 pm
Sunday February 13	2:00 pm		
Friday February 18	7:30 pm		
Saturday February 19	2:00 pm	&	7:30 pm
Sunday February 20	2:00 pm		

#### Rehearsals:

Sunday, October 3, 2021 First Rehearsal/Read-through 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Rehearsals will be held on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday at Grace Lutheran Church

Detailed information regarding auditions and the show may be found on: <a href="https://www.laymenplaymen.com">www.laymenplaymen.com</a>

# Page 14 Harvest Home Sunday



# Harvest Home Sunday September 26<sup>th</sup>

**Harvest Home** will be celebrated on Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. Our gifts of food will help those in our immediate communities who need food.

These offerings are shared with *Manna on Main Street* in Lansdale and *The Hatfield Food Cupboard* at our neighbor church, Emmanuel Evangelical Congregational Church.

You are invited to bring *canned goods and non-perishable items* to church during the month of **September**. There will be a display in the narthex with a list of food items needed and a basket where you can place your food offerings. If you would prefer to drop your food at church during the week, bins will be available outside the Stepping Stones/Main Entrance to Grace. Bins are marked for Harvest Home food items.

(NOTE: Bins will continue to be available each week for the Hatfield Food Cupboard at EEC as the needs are great.)

A few suggested food items from Manna and EEC are:

Canned Fruit

Canned Vegetables - No corn or green beans

Canned Soups - Heart Healthy, Chunky, Clam Chowder, Split Pea, Lentil

Canned Meats - Spam, ham, corn beef hash

Tuna in Oil

Dried fruit – raisins, apples, dates

Rice - brown or white

**Toothpaste** 

Shampoo/Conditioner

Body Wash

In addition to bringing items of food for our neighbors in our area, you may also use the envelope included in your offering envelope box that is designated for *Harvest Home Sunday*. These gifts will be given to the **ELCA World Hunger Appeal**. You will be providing funds needed for our neighbors in countries around the world. Your offering envelops may be placed in the mailbox outside the main entrance or in the offering baskets on Sunday mornings.

The Giving In Service Team thanks you for these gifts that you share with those in need.

#### 2021 CROP WALK

Sunday, October10<sup>th</sup>

Walk. Give. Change the World.



Together, we can help end hunger in our community and around the world!

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup>**. The North Penn 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual **CROP Walk** will be held. Details about the walk will be shared in September. Watch Grace Notes for updates. Won't you join in the fun and walk so that others may have food on their tables!! The funds raised at area CROP Walks are given to Church World Service. CWS distributes these funds to the areas in the world in most need of help. A percentage of the funds raised are also shared locally with the North Penn Area.

CROP Hunger Walks are community-wide events sponsored by Church World Services and organized by religious groups, businesses, schools and others to raise funds to end hunger in the U. S. and around the world.

If you cannot join the walk, help sponsor one of our Grace walkers. Please help support this project in 2021!! For information about CROP Walk, see Jean Shaffer or Kathy Stawasz.

You can support our Grace Team (Grace Lutheran Church-Hatfield) by donating or join the Team (Walk with us) at this link <a href="CROP Hunger Walk - Grace">CROP Hunger Walk - Grace</a>
<a href="Lutheran Church-Hatfield">Lutheran Church-Hatfield</a>

Visit <a href="https://cwsglobal.org">https://cwsglobal.org</a> for more information about Church World Services and their work throughout the world.

**Help Wanted:** Looking for some happy helpers to help in the garden outside of Grace. Cub Pack 510 is coming to clean up on September 25th from 8:00AM-12:00PM and some scouts from Troop 51 will join us too! We will be weeding, planting bulbs, and adults will be trimming. If you would be willing to join us or donate some tools for the day it would be greatly appreciated. Many hands make light work! Questions contact Crystal Tula



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# September 2021

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Sept 17 & 18 Laymen Playmen Auditions
Sept 19 Sunday School Starts
Pastor Raabe Installation
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See Important Details Inside or go to:

Gracelutheranhatfield.org