

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

# **GRACE NOTES**

## October 31st - Reformation Sunday

#### **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 to the glory of God by Ken & Karen Seiler in honor of Kirsten Seiler on her birthday and in memory of Karen's mother, Betty Schultz.

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

There is no sponsor for the bulletins this week.

**The Eternal Light Candle** is provided to the Glory of God by Barb Watts in honor of her entire family.

**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.



### + + + + + + November Birthdays

11/04 Sue Wieland 11/26 Dolores McGlinchey



The nursery is open again! The entire room and all the toys have been cleaned and the toys will be sanitized regularly. Please make use of

it! We ask that you follow the protocols listed on the door.



#### Coat Drive 2021

Thank you all so very much for your generous contributions to the Annual Coat Drive. We gathered 75 coats here at Grace and there are additional coats still coming

in. It is never too late to give a new winter coat to a child. We are so proud of your response to the needs in the Hatfield Community. Thank you for helping to keep our children safe and warm from the cold. God Bless you all. H3C

#### For All the Saints

This is the last Sunday to prepare for All Saints Sunday. We invite you to make note of loved ones who have died in the past year using the notebook in the narthex. *Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of God's faithful servants.* (Psalm 116:15)

#### **Big News from Stepping Stones!!**

Stepping Stones Nursery School and Daycare has a lot to celebrate. When we returned from COVID in June of 2020 we returned with 7 children and minimal staff. In the last year and a half we have scratched and clawed and climbed our way to not just full enrollment but also to a wait list of children totaling 30 kids wanting spots and waiting for them at our school. To top it off, last month was the first month where Stepping Stones not only finished the month in the black without supports from grant money, but it was also a three payroll month AND we just gave all of our staff some well-deserved raises. And when the news seemed like it couldn't get any better, Stepping Stones was awarded a grant for a total amount of \$148,676.00 which will be paid out to us in 6 equal payments of \$24,779.33 over the coming months. We are in the beginning phases of how we are going to best utilize this money and are currently looking into ways that will be mutually beneficial to Stepping Stones as well as to Grace Lutheran....for now all we can say is WHOOO HOOOOO!!!!!!!

#### **Healing Service on November 14**

Our worship service on November 14 will include a time of prayers for healing and the laying on of hands. Worshipers may come to the front for a blessing from the pastor or go back by the font to experience the healing power of Reiki with Lou and Cathy Farrell.

Reiki is a form of gentle, hands-on healing. It is believed to be a way to transfer healing energy through the practitioner to the recipient. At St. John's Ambler (a Lutheran congregation that closed in 2019), Cathy and Lou served with others as commissioned healing ministers, and practiced Reiki on anyone who requested it at the monthly Jazz Vespers services and during the fellowship time after Sunday services.

Cathy and Lou write: "We acknowledge that the healing comes from the Holy Spirit and is given through us to the recipient. While no miraculous cures have happened so far (that we know of!), everyone, no matter what their own belief system, has shared that they have felt some good, whether physical or mental, from this practice. It is the simplest thing in the world: we stand or sit next to the recipient, and gently lay our hands on them – or even just near them. The Holy Spirit does the rest, while we silently pray or just sit quietly."

Cathy and Lou are Reiki-trained (went through a oneyear training to become "Reiki master teachers") and Cathy is also a PhD immunologist. They ran the Healing Ministry at St. John's, in which a group of healing ministers was available any time, to send healing and prayers to anyone who requested it.

#### **Angel Boxes**

This year H3C will be collecting items for the annual Angel Boxes. We will not be making boxes this year, but collecting items that cannot be purchased with food stamps. Rather than the usual collection of household products, we are asking for only personal hygiene items. Once collected, they will be made available to the families in need through the two food cupboards. The list of these items include:

Toilet paper, Paper towels and Kleenex

Shampoo-tight lids

Toothpaste and brushes

Razors

Bar Soap

Deodorant

Feminine products

We will be collecting these items until Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup>. They can be dropped off at Grace Lutheran Church, Hatfield.

#### This Week at Grace

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Sunday, Oct. 31	Reformation Sunday
9:15 am	Worship/Communion
10:30 am	Sunday School
7:00 pm	Laymen Playmen
Monday - Friday	
7:00 am - 5:30 pm	Stepping Stones Day Care
Tuesday, Nov. 2	
8:00 am - 7:00 pm	Bread Drop Sandwiches
7:00 pm	Stitchers
7:00 pm	Laymen Playmen
Wed., Nov. 3	
10:00 am	WELCA
1:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
6:00 pm	Lion Den Meeting
6:15 pm	Yoga
7:30 pm	HEART Meeting, in person
Thurs., Nov. 4	
7:00 pm	Laymen Playmen
Friday, Nov. 5	
7:00 pm	Cub Pack 510 Meeting
Sat., Nov. 6	
10:00 am	Health Fair
Sunday, Nov. 7	Soupathon
9:15 am	Worship/Communion
10:30 am	Sunday School
12:30 pm	Fall Stitch-In
7:00 pm	Laymen Playmen

Sunday, 10/24/21

Attendance: 9:15 am, 43

#### Serving Schedule for Worship

### Wellness Fair on November 6

Grace is delighted to be hosting Sen. Maria Collett's Health Fair this year on Nov. 6 from 10 am-1 pm. See our website (What's Happening/Events) for the flyer and a list of vendors. Giveaways, flu shots and Covid-19 vaccinations, health resources for all ages!

Fall Stitch-In: will be held on Sunday afternoon - November 7th from 12:30 - 4:00pm, in the Fellowship hall. Bring a project or learn a new craft from a fellow stitcher. We will not be serving lunch. We will have snacks and drinks available, and attendees are welcome to bring their own lunch. We will still have door prizes and raffles as well! A freewill offering will be taken. We will have all COVID restrictions in place. We are looking forward to catching up with everyone!

#### Soupathon

Now is the time to pre-order some tasty soup for these cold wintry days! On November 7th 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), and the number of quarts you will be making. Please, take the plastic quarts (DON'T forget the lids!) and bring back your homemade soup. Make sure you get your order in! Thank you! Crystal Tula

**Mask Up....**.Grace continues to strongly recommend worshipers and all groups using our building wear face coverings. Thank you.

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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, Ron and Karen Hudson, Lisa Kane, Joyce Salter, Terry Stringfellow, (friend of Dale and Mary Jane Moyer), Hazel Mascaro, Jerry Mascaro, Rich Woltmann, Peggy Long, Lorraine Snyder, Vickie West, Merilyn Forst, Bob Rufe (Mary Jane Moyer's brother), Bailey Vinson (Liz Bauer's great-granddaughter), Sandy Klinger, Chuck & Linda Arkins (H3C friends), Margaret Stangl (John Stangl's mother), Dave Kunkel, Sue & Faith Rowbottom, Joy, Gary & Nicky Torgeson, Janet Williams (Carol MacDonald's mother), the Scarola family (dear friends of Peggy & Bruce Schmidt), Helen Godshall, Debbie Hendricks (cousin of Mary Jane Moyer), Debbie Zuech-Smyrl, Ralph Schultz (Karen Seiler's father), Madiafe Sheriff, John Stangl, Christy Skogan (friend of Beth Krout), George Adams (Lincoln Kaler's football coach), Rhonda Wagner Berger (granddaughter of the Wagner property original owners), Emily Detweiler (daughter of Beth Krout's co-worker), Dean Capanear

For all who grieve, including the family and friends of: Andrew Sobolusky (neighbor of Liz & Tom), Gail Walter, Jeanne Scarola

For those in active duty military service: Robert McNulty, Marines, Jessica Murphy, Air Force; Matthew Smyrl, Army; Nathaniel Smyrl, PA Army National Guard

For active military deployed overseas: Kyle Murphy, Air

### YOGA

WHEN: Every Wednesday, 9/15/21 thru 12/15/21 (no class on 11/24/21) <u>Please note time change</u>: 6:15-7:15 pm
WHERE: Grace Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, 40 N. Main Street, Hatfield, PA (outside - in the parking lot - if weather permits) MASKS must be worn (at this time) if inside COST: \$5/class (Make checks payable to: Grace Lutheran) WHO: Ages 18 and up. What is needed: exercise mat (let Kathy know if you need one) Invite a friend or family member, everyone is welcome. Questions Contact Kathy Stawasz.

This is the last weekend for 'FALL'ING IN LOVE WITH GRACE. Take a packet of candy from the tree and replace it with a colorful leaf on which you will write ONE THING that you love about Grace Lutheran Church. As you hang the leaf on the tree, you are also invited to put a monetary gift of any amount in the special donation box on the table under the tree. You can give as many times and put up as many leaves as you want, but for each leaf think of something different that you love about Grace.