

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

GRACE NOTES

January 9th -Baptism of Our Lord

SUNDAY MORNING

Welcome to Grace! We have returned to our worship schedule for Sundays at 8:00 am and 10:30 am with communion now on the first and third Sundays.

Worship Online with Grace

We are now livestreaming our 10:30 service! You can find the link on the Online Worship page under the Worship menu of our website, gracelutheranhatfield.org, or on Facebook. Each week's Grace Notes, bulletin, and past sermon texts are also posted on the Online Worship page.

Mask Up: We require the use of face masks in the building by all members and community groups. Please closely observe other safety measures to which we are accustomed.

The Flowers on the altar are provided to the glory of God by Harold Schaefer in memory of Betty Murray.

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

There is no sponsor for the Bulletins this week.

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

Communion Cards: Grace Church **is no longer requiring** members and visitors to fill out communion cards.

We often take photos or video recordings during Grace Events. You are 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 Raabe know if you would prefer that you and/or your child's image not be used.

Be patient, therefore, brothers and sisters....Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand. (James 5:7-8)

Friends, we cannot be too careful in our interactions with each other. At present we



remain in-person for worship, but I urge you to observe two important precautions: While you are in the building, please refrain from visiting with others until you are outside; and team leaders, if possible, please hold your meetings this month on Zoom. Contact me for the Zoom login information or I can schedule the meeting for you. Thanks for doing everything possible to stay safe! – Pastor Raabe

Annual Report

As a reminder, it's time for planning the Annual Report. Please be advised that the due date for submitting information for the report will be **January 7, 2022**. Please send reports to the office at graceassistant40@gmail.com. Thank you!

Wanted: Coffee hour helpers for set up and/or clean up each Sunday and Worship Servers – acolytes, ushers, communion assistants and lectors. Contact Pastor Raabe or Kay Stone.

A reminder that the funeral service for Betty Murray will take place at 11 a.m. on Friday, January 7, at Reed and Steinbach, 2335 Lower State Rd, Doylestown, PA 18901, (215) 348-4543, with visitation starting at 10 a.m. There are no restrictions at present on how many may attend but the family requests that all wear face masks. As difficult as it is while we grieve, please also observe proper social distancing. A memorial service for Betty is being planned by the choir and will be held here at Grace on Sunday, January 23 at 4 p.m.

<u>COVID Update:</u> In addition to wearing your mask tightly over your mouth and nose, we ask that you sit in staggered rows at least four pew chairs apart from the next family group and refrain from visiting with others in the building after the service.

Due to safety concerns, your Thrivent/Faith Build fundraising team has rescheduled the Drive-Through Spaghetti Dinner to **Thursday**, **March 24** from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Each Sunday, we will bring the 2x4s into the narthex where you can sign them and write messages to the new owners of the property being built at 2714 Cowpath Rd. Look for news next month about our birdhouse silent auction. You can also donate to our fundraising effort by going to this web address: https://bit.ly/3sG6NUw.

Congratulations to Lou Farrell and Bread Drop for receiving a \$5,000 Forward in Faith grant from our Synod to purchase two new larger refrigerators! ©

To the Grace congregation: I am deeply touched by your gifts of cards, cookies, poinsettias, money, and other generous expressions of love and support over the Christmas holidays.



Thank you for thinking of me in so many special ways. The experience of illness and recuperation gave me time to reflect on all that we accomplished together in 2021 and to pray about what 2022 has in store for us. With a church family that is this resilient and Spirit-led, anything is possible! I look forward eagerly to walking with you into a new year of life together. "With the Spirit's gifts empower us / for the work of ministry." (Lord, You Give the Great Commission, ELW 579) Yours in Christ, Pastor Raabe

Beer Tasting Fundraiser

The beer-tasting fundraiser originally scheduled for January 22 to benefit Sanctuary Village is being postponed for a few weeks until we feel that it is safer to



gather. We will let you know when a new date has been set.

Offering Envelopes for 2022 are available in the narthex. The envelopes are arranged in alphabetical order. Please take your envelopes with you or call the office and we will bring them to your door. If you have a problem or cannot find your envelopes, please call the church office.

This Week at Grace

Sunday, January 9	Baptism of Our Lord
8:00 am	Worship/Communion
9:15 am	Sunday School
10:30 am	Worship/Communion
Monday - Friday	
7:00 am - 5:30 pm	Stepping Stones Day Care
Monday, January 10	Christian Connections
7:30 pm	(as needed)
7:00 pm	Stepping Stones Comm. Mtg.
Tuesday, January 11	
8:00 am - 7:00 pm	Bread Drop Sandwiches
7:00 pm	Property Team
7:00 pm	Worship and Music
Wed., January 12	
1:00 pm	Choir Practice
6:15 pm	Yoga
7:30 pm	Communication Team(Zoom)
Friday, January 14	Parish News articles due
Sunday, January 16	
8:00 am	Worship
9:15 am	Sunday School
10:30 am	Worship

2nd Sunday of Christmas, 1/2/22 **Attendance: 8**:00 am- 10; 10:30 am- 27 General Fund - \$5,796 Capital Fund - \$255 Christmas - \$2,790 (total) + + + + +

Serving Schedule for Worship Sunday, January 9, 2022

Lectors: 8:00 am, Peggy Schmidt; 10:30 am, Beth Krout Ushers: 8:00 am, Peggy Schmidt & Don Capanear; 10:30 am, Jeff Krout & Kay Deussing

Altar Guild: 8:00 am, Janice Swartz Acolyte: 10:30 am, Elijah Krout

Video Team:10:30 am, Harold Schaefer, Dan & Tami Sarm

Council Offering/Lock-up: Carol MacDonald

USHERS NEEDED for 1/23 & 1/30 at 10:30 service

The new 2022 sign-up sheets for the Bulletin sponsors and Eternal Light Candle sponsors are now available for use in the Narthex. Please consider sponsoring in memory or in honor of family and friends. Thank you!

Bulletin Sponsors Needed: January 9, 16, 23, and 30.

Eternal Light Candle Needed: January 9, and 23.

2022 Altar flower sponsors needed. Two weeks in January are still available. January 23rd is in need of one sponsor and two sponsors are needed for January 30th. Please see the sign up sheet in the narthex. Questions contact Kathy Stawasz.

Don't forget: Every week you can watch our Sunday service online live at 10:30 or anytime after! Find the link on our web site or Facebook page. Thank you to our creative and hardworking video team of Harold Schaefer, and Dan and Tami Sarm.

YOGA

YOGA BEGAN AGAIN ON 1/5/22 at 6:15 pm.

WHEN: Every Wednesday

WHERE: Grace Fellowship Hall, MASKS must be

worn (at this time) if inside

COST: \$5/class (Make checks payable to: Grace Lutheran) WHO: Ages 18 and up. Bring your

exercise mat (let Kathy know if you need one) Questions: Kathy Stawasz

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

+ + + + + + + + + Please let Pastor Raabe know if you have an urgent request for our Prayer Team, or if you would like someone added to this list, or if someone you have added is no longer in need of 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, 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 greatgranddaughter), 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 Moore, Don Cabrera, Jean Shaffer's daughter's father-in-law, Peg Malloy, Diane Miller, Donna Herman (friend of the Badmans), Judith Stangl (John's sister)

For all who grieve, including the family and friends of: Shayna Bergey (neighbor of the Seilers) and Betty Murray

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 Force

Food Ministries: Sources of Food Food Cupboard Distribution

The food cupboard at Emmanuel E.C. (100 S. Main St., Hatfield. Parking Lot: 24 W. Lincoln Ave. 215.855.2540)

Distributions: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays from 5:30 - 6:30

pm. 2nd & 4th Tuesdays from 1 - 2 pm

Latest needs: Olive (black or green); canned mushrooms; vinegar (16 or 32 oz); dishwashing liquid; laundry detergent; body wash; shampoo; conditioner; razors & shaving cream (men & women's); 13 gallon trash bags; quart or gallon zip top baggies.

Any questions, call or email Carol MacDonald for more information. 215-872-0472 or macdonald125@comcast.net