



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

GRACE NOTES

March 27th –The Fourth Sunday in Lent

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! Find the link on the Sunday Online Worship page under the Worship menu of our website or on Facebook. Each week's Grace Notes, bulletin, and past sermon texts are also posted on the Online Worship page.

Hearing-assist devices are charged and ready to go for anyone who needs them. Please ask an usher.

The Flowers on the altar are provided to the glory of God by Emily & Rich Woltmann in memory of Jean Meibohm and The Stawasz Family in honor of Kathy's dad on his 85th birthday.

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

The Bulletins are provided to the glory of God by June Detweiler in honor of Nancy Sellers on her birthday.

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.*

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At its meeting on March 15 the Grace Congregation Council voted to affirm Worship and Music's recommendation that wearing face masks in the building is now optional, although they remain strongly recommended for those who are unvaccinated or in high-risk health categories. If you are feeling ill in any way, please remain home and watch our services online!

Wow! Our **Birdhouse Silent Auction** raised \$675 for the Thrivent/Habitat Faith Build project! Thanks to all of the bidders and also those who donated. Also a big thank you to our Sunday School and parent leaders for all their work on this project. It was an amazing group effort.



Please join us for coffee hour between services and after the 10:30 am service in the Atrium area. Coffee, tea, juice and snacks are available. Volunteers are needed to **set up** coffee hour. Please contact Kay Stone to volunteer. Donations of coffee (regular or decaf) or prewrapped snacks are always welcomed.



In our **midweek Lenten services** every Wednesday at 7:30 through April 6 we have been praying together for peace in different ways – in these first three weeks, “Crying Out,” “Decomposition,” and “Never Again War!” Each lasts about 20 minutes. Please consider attending these as part of your Lenten journey.



The Rice Bowl Project continues through Lent. Please use the special envelopes in your offering box, or those at the Rice Bowl Display in the narthex. It is our hope that you will consider giving these extra gifts by simplifying your life in some way or by making an intentional effort to put others before your needs and wants. The Rice Bowl allows small gifts to come together to make a big difference in the lives of those in need. *The Giving in Service Team*

BOOKS FOR BABIES

After a two-year hiatus due to Covid, we are back!!! Mitzvah Circle Foundation continues to support families in need and has a special bag for the babies. H3C, Hatfield Community Christian Coalition, is sponsoring a Book Drive, BOOKS FOR BABIES, from April 4th through Mother's Day, May 8th. All books collected will be delivered to Mitzvah Circle Foundation after Mother's Day. We are collecting new and gently used books for all ages of children and especially cardboard books for babies.

Mitzvah Circle Foundation meets critical needs of individuals and families who are struggling with crisis, poverty, homelessness and serious illness in our local neighborhoods. One of the projects they support is a Baby Diaper Supply Bag that includes diapers, baby wash, wipes and books for babies. Mitzvah Circle Foundation sends a children's hard-backed cardboard book four times a year to the youngest children- infants through 2-year-olds. They have discovered there is only one book for every 300 homes who are under the poverty line in America. Giving these books to the children in every Baby Diaper Supply Bag gets books into the hands of the most vulnerable children.

Look for a marked bin in the narthex. If you have any questions, please contact MC Reilly.



03/29 Robert Yoder

03/30 Ethel Rappold's 100th Birthday

03/31 Nancy Sellers

04/06 Jean Weierman

04/08 Dee Mancuso

04/13 Shirley Yoder

04/29 Marilyn Forst

Please enjoy the new “Lenten Audio Meditations” from our Minister of Music, Kevin Freaney, on our website under the Worship menu. Thank you, Kevin!



This Week at Grace

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| Sunday, March 27 8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am | Worship Sunday School with 9:30 Zoom Adult Bible Study Worship |
| Monday – Friday 7:00 am – 5:30 pm | Stepping Stones Day Care |
| Tuesday, March 29 8:00 am – 7:00 pm | Bread Drop Sandwiches |
| Wed., March 30 6:15 pm 7:30 pm | Yoga Lenten Service |
| Thurs., March 31 7:00 pm | Mutual Ministry |
| Friday, April 1 7:00 pm | Cub Pack 510 Pack Meeting |
| Sunday, April 3 8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am | Worship/Communion Sunday School with 9:30 Zoom Adult Bible Study Worship/Communion |

3rd Sunday in Lent, 3/20/22

Attendance: 8:00 am-12; 10:30 am-45

Online attendance, all services, week ending 3/20: 187

General Fund - \$2,972 **Capital Fund** - \$130

Rice Bowl - \$1,143 to date

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Serving Schedule for Worship

Sunday, March 27, 2022

Lectors: 8:00 am, Karen Seiler; 10:30 am, Richard Badman

Ushers: 8:00 am, K. & K. Seiler; 10:30 am, K. Deussing

Video Team: 10:30 am, H. Schaefer, D. & T. Sarm

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Spring “Stitch-In”

The spring Stitch-In is scheduled for Sunday, April 24 from 12:30-4:00 pm. For reservations and/or questions, please contact Peggy Schmidt or Wendy Walter.

We have two spring gathering fundraisers on the horizon: **“Beers for your summer barbecues”** on April 30 from 3-5 pm to benefit Sanctuary Village, and a wine tasting at 7 pm on May 7 with **One Hope Wine**. Look for more information in the April newsletter.

Looking for a good summer read? The HEART team is planning another **used book sale** on April 9th from 11 am to 2 pm and is in need of used books and puzzles. Preferred are mysteries, romance, cozies, biographies and cookbooks. Look for the tub in the Narthex.



Candy and plastic egg donations wanted for the Grace Easter egg hunt which starts at 2 p.m. on April 9. Please place donations of wrapped candy and/or eggs in the narthex by April 3rd, and spread the word about the hunt. Thank you!

Orders for Easter Lilies are now being taken. The flowers will be used for the Easter Services. The **DEADLINE** for ordering is 4/3/22. The flowers will be tagged with your name and “in memory or in honor of” information. Please place your order form along with your check in the basket marked for Easter flowers in the Narthex. Any questions contact Kathy Stawasz.

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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: Bob Kaler, Suzanne Colville, Pam Matolicz, Paige Haldeman, Nancy Sellers, Liz Bauer, Doug Boldon, Carol Buffone, Cassi Lambert, Kristopher Yoder, Annette Beyer, Cindy Kunkel, Ron and Karen Hudson, Lisa Kane, Joyce Salter, Hazel Mascaro, Jerry Mascaro, Rich Woltmann, Peggy Long, Lorraine Snyder, Vickie West, Marilyn Forst, Bob Rufe (Mary Jane Moyer’s brother), Bailey Vinson (Liz Bauer’s great-granddaughter), Sandy Klinger, Chuck & Linda Arkins (H3C friends), Dave Kunkel, Sue & Faith Rowbottom, 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), Madiate 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), Johanna Lonie (Tami Sarm’s niece), Whitney Buterbaugh (close friend of MC and Bob Reilly’s daughter), Daniel Hopwood (Tom Hopwood’s son), Gerry Mason (Richard Badman’s son), Rosemary & Skip McCoy (Liz Bauer’s sister and brother-in-law)

For all who grieve, including the family and friends of: Betty Murray, Margaret Stangl (John Stangl’s mother), and Terry Stringfellow (friend of Dale and Mary Jane Moyer).

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: Olives (black or green); canned mushrooms; canned diced tomatoes; white rice; 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.