



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

GRACE NOTES

May 8th – Fourth Sunday of Easter

SUNDAY MORNING

Welcome to Grace! We worship Sundays at 8:00 am and 10:30 am with communion on the first and third Sundays.

Worship with Grace

Every week we livestream 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 and bulletin are also posted on the Online Worship page, as well as Pastor Raabe's sermon texts. **The pandemic is still with us. To be as safe as possible you may choose to wear a mask when inside the building.**

Mid-Week Worship Online includes brief, thoughtful services of Morning Prayer (Mon-Wed-Fri) and Evening Prayer (Monday). Join Pastor Raabe on our Facebook 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 The Raabe Family.

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.

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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Coming back to church

Even as we are continuing to work on improving our virtual worship experiences, I want to invite those of you within reasonable driving distance of Grace who have not been attending regularly to *please consider returning to church*. As you know, we have a lovely, spacious, airy, elegantly appointed sanctuary with vast windows looking out onto God's creation. We have a new organ with a dazzling variety of sounds and timbres which simply must be experienced in person to be fully appreciated. We have opportunities for fellowship over coffee before and after services. I see you out there as I preach and feel that we are being connected in this way. You can admire the reverence our acolytes bring to the lighting of the candles and the dignity of our young crucifers as they bear our new processional cross into worship. You can experience the feeling of being woven together in song as we praise God in our liturgy and hymns. You can be surprised and delighted by our children. And you can help quiet the laments I now hear every week: "Where IS everybody?" Masks are welcomed although not required, and our space and procedures are as safe as they can be. We miss you! Please come back! If we can help with transportation or any other matter, do not hesitate to call on me. I'll be here, waiting for you with open arms.



Thank you to our members who purchased Mother's Day Carnations and Sunflowers. The funds from our project will be sent to the ELCA Disaster Response to aid the refugees throughout Eastern Europe and Ukraine.

The Giving In Service Team

PLEASE take your flowers with you following the worship services today.

Farewell to the Stangls

Please join us after 10:30 worship on Sunday, May 22 to bid a fond adieu to John and Bonnie Stangl, who are moving to the Hershey area to be closer to their daughter Kim. Let's gather to show our appreciation for their tremendous legacy of gifts of time and talents to Grace over the years!

BOOKS FOR BABIES

Last day to support the Mitzvah Circle Foundation's Books For Babies collection. H3C, Hatfield Community Christian Coalition, is sponsoring the Book Drive, BOOKS FOR BABIES, 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.



05/19 Charles Slugg

Day of Ascension Worship Service

On Thursday, May 26 at 7:00 PM, the Indian Valley Cluster of Lutheran churches is sharing an Ascension of Our Lord worship service at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 107 W Lincoln Avenue, Telford. The offering collected will be shared with Sanctuary Village. We are grateful for the opportunity to join with one another face to face to celebrate this special day and experience and see the community of Christ!

Lutheran Night at the Phillies is Saturday, June 11 at the 4 p.m. game. Let's get a group together to help cheer them on. A portion of every ticket sold will benefit our Synod's youth programs. Order tickets at www.phillies.com/lutheran with the password LUTHERAN, and let us know if you plan to go!

Handbell Ensemble Concert

Trinity Lutheran Church in Lansdale will be hosting a concert featuring the Philadelphia Handbell Ensemble entitled "Songs of Strength." The concert will be on **May 22, 2022 at 4 p.m.** See the flyer in the narthex for further details.

This Week at Grace

Sunday, May 8 8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am	Fourth Sunday of Easter Worship/Happy Mother's Day Sunday School with 9:30 Zoom Adult Bible Study Worship
Monday - Friday 7:00 am - 5:30 pm	Stepping Stones Day Care
Monday, May 9 7:00 pm	Stepping Stones Comm. Mtg.
Tuesday, May 10 8:00 am - 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Bread Drop Sandwiches Property Team Meeting Worship & Music Meeting
Wed., May 11 6:15 pm	Yoga
Friday, May 13	Parish News Articles Due
Sunday, May 15 8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am	Worship/Communion Sunday School with 9:30 Zoom Adult Bible Study Worship/Communion

Third Sunday of Easter, 5/1/22

Attendance: 8:00 am-12; 10:30 am-40

Online attendance, all services, week ending 5/1: 102

General Fund - \$1,167 Mortgage - \$260

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Serving Schedule for Worship

Fourth Sunday of Easter, May 8, 2022

Lectors: 8:00 am, The Seilers; 10:30 am, Slugg Family

Ushers: 8:00 am, The Seilers; 10:30 am, Slugg Family

Acolyte: 10:30 am, Elijah Krout; Crucifer:

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

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You are invited to leave **urgent prayer requests** in the pink journal in the narthex next to the visitor sign-in.

Online Giving: Please use the "Give" page on our website, text a gift to 844.613.0815, or scan this QR code:



Stepping Stones Request

Our school is in desperate need of spare clothes for 4 and 5 year old children. Any donations of new/gently used clothing is greatly appreciated! Please drop off at the office any time.

GRACE FAITH BUILD DAY and WINE TASTING

Grace Lutheran Day at the Faith Build site is **June 25** from 9 am-1 pm. Sign up in the narthex to help build (must be 16 or older). All proceeds from the May 7 event benefit the Hatfield Faith Build; if you were not able to attend, you can still help the cause by ordering [here](https://www.onehopewine.com/event/128467):

"In Their Shoes" 2022 Walk for the Poor

The Saint Vincent DePaul Society is sponsoring a Walk for the Poor fundraiser. It will be held on September 24, 2022 at the School Road Park in Hatfield. The theme is "Walk in their shoes." We are hoping to bring more awareness to our community about the needs of the poor that live in our own neighborhoods. There will be fun activities for the kids and adults. We are hoping to bring together many people from all of the churches in the area. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board in the Narthex for more details. Thank you!

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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, 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, 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), 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), Cheryl Davis (Paul MacDonald's sister), Laurie Ronan (the MacDonalds' neighbor), Jim Finnemeyer (John and Jean Weierman's nephew), Sue & Faith Rowbottom, Joy, Gary & Nicky Torgeson (Sue Rowbottom's family), Deb Mandell (Cub Pack 510 treasurer), Lucia Morales (Crystal Tula's mother-in-law), Lou Farrell.

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), Ralph Schultz (Karen Seiler's father), Jeff Hinton (friends of Frank & Kay Stone).

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; Matthew Smyrl, Army

Food Ministries: Sources of Food

The food cupboard at Emmanuel E.C. (100 S. Main St., 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); white rice; canned mushrooms; canned diced tomatoes; 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.