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May 2024

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Annual Celebration of the Arts, May 5, 11:40 a.m.

Come to Harkins Hall after morning worship for lunch and to enjoy Grace members of all ages who will share their God-given talents as artists and performers! Children, teens, and adults from our congregation look forward to sharing their love of music and the arts - a reflection of God, the first Creator.



If you enjoy making things, please share your art, knitting, woodworking, quilting, painting, poetry, photography, or whatever inspires you. Art can be brought to Grace between **9 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 4.** On **Sunday, May 5,** lunch begins at **11:40 a.m.** (following **10:30 a.m.** worship), with background music played by the woodwind trio Fair Winds III and followed by performers of all ages (Grace members) from **12:15-1:15 p.m.** We'll share a mix of songs about faith; Broadway and tasteful popular songs; and demonstrate what REJOICE! and JOYFUL NOISE students have worked on in our music classes.

Chicken corn chowder will be provided by our Super Wednesday team. Appetizers, casseroles, sides, salads, and desserts are welcome (the greatest need is for savory dishes). Contact Laurel Sanders at lsanders@glcpa.org with questions or to let her know what you plan to bring to the potluck. You will surely leave well fed and with a happy heart!

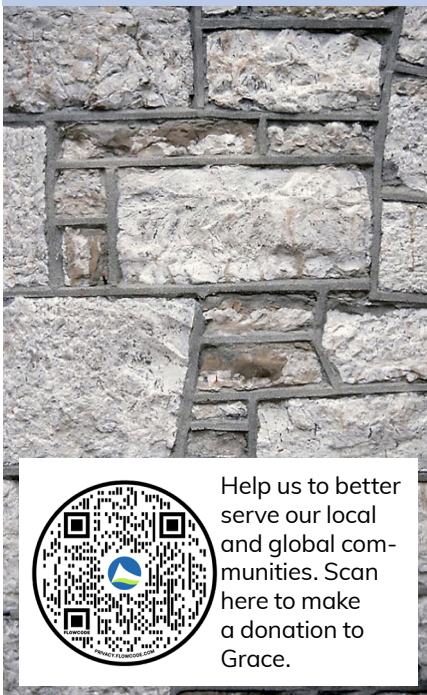
Ukrainian Artist “Zooming” to Grace on May 1

Ukrainian iconographer and emerging artist Khrystyna Kvyk will join us live via Zoom as part of our Super Wednesday evening adult education class on **Wednesday, May 1 at 6:15 p.m.** in the Fireside Room. Together with Pastor Schul, Khrystyna will show some of her iconography, which features a very bright, modern, and vibrant take on sacred art. She will also be available online for your questions.



Khrystyna is a graduate of the Lviv National Academy of Arts, living and working in Lviv, Ukraine and is an award-winning and internationally-recognized artist. She aspires to contribute to the revitalization and popularizing of the sacred art tradition, while also offering a contemporary perspective that resonates with a modern audience. By merging elements from classical icon painting with bold stylization, diverse textures, and geometric shapes, she aims to invite a distinctive artistic approach. Khrystyna's artworks have found their way into private collections across the world as well as museum collections in Ukraine and Poland. To learn more, see her social media sites:

<https://www.instagram.com/khrystyna.kvyk/>
<https://www.facebook.com/khrystyna.kvyk/>



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From Our Senior Pastor



The Rev. Scott E. Schul
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Who are you following?

My great-uncle Buzza Thompson (“Uncle Buzz” to the family) was quite a character. He was raised in Forest County, Pennsylvania, one of the most rural places in the entire Commonwealth. He has been gone from this world for several decades now, but family stories and anecdotes about him continue to abound.

My favorite one concerns a time when Uncle Buzz was driving several family members on an excursion into upstate New York. These were the days before GPS and smart phones, but even good old paper maps were not something Uncle Buzz considered worth consulting. As you might guess, at some point on his journey within the boundaries of the Empire State he got lost. His passengers understandably became nervous, wondering how they would get home. But Uncle Buzz was unconcerned. He said, “See that car ahead of us? It has Pennsylvania plates. I’ll just follow it and he’ll lead us back home.”

That was cold comfort to everyone else in the car, but for Uncle Buzz it was enough. Somehow they did manage to get back home. But aside from constituting a colorful anecdote about a memorable character,

what does this little story about Uncle Buzz tell us about our faith lives?

One possible moral of the story is to simply have faith. Trust in the signs (in this case a license plate) and just keep moving forward, confident that some higher power will miraculously get you back home. Certainly as your pastor I want you to have faith and to trust in the goodness of a God we cannot see and often do not understand.

But that would be an unwise lesson to draw from Uncle Buzz’s driving exploits. Faith is not totally blind. We have a rich repository within the Church to help us make decisions. Most authoritative of all is God’s Word - Holy Scripture. But we are also blessed with the teachings of wise and trustworthy historic leaders within the Church, as well as liturgy, hymnody, and the historic creeds. All of these things provide insight for us – measuring sticks if you will – to help us evaluate questions of faith.

Consider, for example, what the letter to the Ephesians says:

We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people’s trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body’s growth in building itself up in love. (Ephesians 4:14-16)

Grace Lutheran has always been firmly anchored in God’s Word. As a result, we won’t always have

the trendiest of worship music or feature the latest and greatest styles from the religious hipsters. It is enough that we offer God’s Word. God’s grace. God’s Holy Sacraments of baptism and communion. We navigate our way forward by following Christ and his cross, not signs like solar eclipses or automobile license plates. So stay anchored to Christ, dear friends. Or you might get taken for a ride far more nerve-wracking than anything Uncle Buzz ever did.

Holy Week and Easter

Thank you for your faithful participation in our Holy Week and Easter services. On Easter Sunday, the combination of people who worshiped in our building and watched online exceeded the numbers we used to draw prior to COVID. It was a wonderful day! Thank you as well for your enthusiastic support of a new addition to our Holy Week schedule, afternoon Stations of the Cross with our friends at St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church. Being a new and (to many Lutherans at least) somewhat unfamiliar practice, we were not sure how many might attend. We were joyfully overwhelmed with over a hundred worshippers! It was a very meaningful addition to Lent, and is a shared service that our two congregations plan to continue together.

Signs of the Times

Have you seen our refreshed sign at the corner of Beaver and Garner? The old lettering was showing its age, and the face lift gave us the opportunity to add the preschool’s name. Grace Lutheran Preschool is not a separate entity or just a tenant in this building. It is a ministry of Grace Lutheran Church. We should be very proud of that. The preschool has a new sign near its main entrance too, and for the first time we added lettering to our Miller Center

entrance so that it is easier for our guests to find.

Lynn Welcome Center

Our Narthex is also in the midst of being refreshed. Council recently engaged a talented designer, Matthew Stetson of Studio 216 in Bellefonte, to guide us. The result will be a space that accents the existing style of our iconic building's interior while creating a welcoming environment and useful gathering space. As I have previously noted, this space will eventually be named the Lynn Welcome Center, in honor of the ministry of Grace Pastor-Emeritus Steve Lynn. It will be an attractive, welcoming, and functional space for people as they enter Grace's building and will enable us to extend the best of hospitality in the same tradition that was the hallmark of Pastor Lynn's ministry. New furniture and countertops are just part of the transformation. We will gradually but steadily see improvements and modifications over the coming months as items are delivered and installed.

Super Wednesday: Visiting Artist from Ukraine



I am very excited to share that on **Wednesday, May 1 at 6:15 p.m.** in Fireside I will be joined live (via Zoom) by a friend of mine, Khrystyna Kvyk, who is a young award-winning artist and iconographer from Ukraine. She paints in a very striking and modern style that leaps from the canvas. She will speak to us about the ways her art tells Christ's story, and will

be available for questions. For more details, consult the article on the cover of this edition of *Grace Notes*.

Annual Meeting

Please don't forget that our annual congregational meeting will be held on **Sunday, May 19 at 12:30** in Harkens Hall and will be preceded by a light luncheon. This will be an in-person meeting only. I hope you will attend. It is a helpful way to learn the many ministries your congregation has been undertaking and it's an opportunity to review and vote upon the proposed budget for the 2024-25 Fiscal Year. We have been working hard on annual reports and the budget and, as usual, will have a comprehensive booklet available to tell the story of Grace's 2023-24 year and to preview the upcoming twelve months.

Pat Lloyd

We at Grace mourn the recent passing of Pat Lloyd, who was a faithful member of Grace's musical staff for 38 years. We will miss her very much. Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced when they are finalized. Rest eternal grant her, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon her.

Greece

I share another reminder that this October you can join Linda and me for a pilgrimage to the Biblical sites of Greece. A number of Grace members have signed up, but there is still plenty of space available if you are interested. I hope you will consider accompanying us on this remarkable trip. You can see full tour details online at <http://tinyurl.com/SchulGreece2024>. Paper brochures are also available at Grace's Welcome Center.

Finally...

Baptizing my granddaughter on April 14 constituted a joy beyond description for me. In those waters of grace I sensed the enormity of Christ's love and the merciful scope of his promises of forgiveness and

salvation. As I anointed her from the same oil stock I used to anoint my dying father two months prior, I felt so comforted by Christ. Death is not an ending but simply a new beginning, one anchored in the waters of baptism. I hope you take time to reflect on your baptism too, and the exceedingly personal grace and love of Christ that it represents for you.

With all this in mind, I will close with a baptismal prayer that is in the Leader Edition of the *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* hymnal as part of the baptismal liturgy. This prayer is rarely used but is very beautiful and I hope it blesses you.

"Breathe your Spirit into all who are gathered here and into all creation. Illumine our days. Enliven our bones. Dry our tears. Wash away the sin within us, and drown the evil around us. Satisfy all our thirst with your living water, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen."

Peace be with you.

~ Pastor Schul

Did you know...

. . . that the 2024 Allegheny Synod Assembly will be held on **Saturday, June 15, 2024** from **8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** at the Blair County Convention Center? In addition to the pastors, Grace's voting delegates will include Mike Conron, Jody Kull, Anne Rohrbach, and Natalie Slane. Even if you are not serving as a voting delegate, you are welcome to attend.



Allegheny
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From Our Associate Pastor

All You Need is Love

“Little children, just love one another.” That’s what the Apostle John said every week to the church in his old age. Love looks like lots of things. Some days I am visiting my Dad and discovering the joy of Balloon Ball. Other times I am caring for my granddaughter; checking in with my Mom; Face-timing with our overseas daughter; or reassuring our Lancaster County daughter and mom of a toddler. All of these are blessings.

At the same time, when Scripture tells us about honoring our parents, many of us find we have an aging parent or parents while still raising or supporting our own children. Not only might we provide care and financial support to parents and children, nearly four in ten people say both their grown children and their parents rely on them for emotional support. Love asks lots of things. Culture calls living in this phenomenon being a part of “The Sandwich Generation.”

There are actually three kinds of sandwiches:

- The Traditional sandwich: Adults who care for aging parents and young children.
- The Club sandwich: Adults who care for aging parents, adult children, and their grandchildren OR who care for aging parents, young children, and grandparents.
- The Open-faced sandwich: Anyone else who helps provide care for loved ones with a chronic concern or lives with disability and care asks much.

So how do those of us who are in this season of life hold together while holding things together? How do those of us who love experience love? One way is by taking a break to join others who are doing the same. After conversations with many of you, it seems now is the perfect time for this gift of community. Thus was born “The Sandwich Club.” And all sandwiches are a part of what we share.

If this is you, consider this an invitation to The Sandwich Club—People who get together for food, conversation, prayer and hopefully laughter. We’ll share tips, celebrate life’s little joys and console when needed. God created us to be community for just such things.



Recognizing that a rotating schedule might help accommodate more folks, we are trying different ways to gather. At least a few folks would say the best time is breakfast sandwich hours. For others it is lunch time, still others, evening. We had a first chance to gather for breakfast at **7 a.m. on April 20** at Breakfast on Boal. We hope to rotate locations.



The Rev. Carolyn K. Hetrick
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Upcoming times to gather are listed here:

- **Monday, April 29** at Noon at Wegman’s
- **Thursday, May 2** at 6 p.m. at Boal City Brewing (there will be a food truck and non-alcohol options if preferred)

How do you join the Sandwich Club?

Just show up or email me you want to help us choose dates. Want to bring a friend? That’s awesome. I will be sending out an email to everyone who lets me know they want to be on the mailing list so we can select dates for June. The apostle Paul writes in Romans 1:11-

12, “I long to see you so that I may share with you some spiritual gift so that you may be strengthened – or rather so that we may be mutually encouraged by each other’s faith, both yours and mine.” We all know that life can be messy and beautiful. We gather to remember for one another that God is right here with us and we’re all in this together.

Kate Bowler in her book, *Blessings for the Lives We Actually Have* says it this way:

“Blessed are we, remembering that the world is not ours to shoulder alone. Help us put one foot in front of another as best we can. Oh God, today, give us enough to go on, give us hope to see a future, give us joy to see a present lit up by your love.”

Another blessed way of gathering and sharing love is the way we gather as Disciples Together. Please pray for our Disciples who are competing in Special Olympics in June. Because of their practice schedule, and the end of the Penn State spring semester, Fitlink and our Super Wednesday gatherings are on hiatus until the fall.

However, SAVE THE DATE:

Our 4th Annual Picnic for Every Body will take place at Orchard Park on **Wednesday, June 19** from **5:30 - 7:30 p.m.** We will have picnic food and cookies from Good Day Café. The theme is “All You Need is Love” in honor of our favorite Beatles music and what Jesus tells us - love is all we need. Break out your best tie dye and join us for food, fun and a dance party.

There is so much love we can share with each other. It’s why that beloved Apostle John said that if we just love one another it would be enough. We and the world know that we need lots of love. I know we are approaching a very busy time of year in the month of May. As we head into the wrapping up of some things and the start of others, I look forward to celebrating all the ways we can gather, care for and love one another well. Wherever your journeys are leading, may you find those times to remember your belovedness and share Christ’s love with others.

Yours in Christ,
~ *Pastor Carolyn*

Green Tip for May

As I write this, I am preparing to help in the annual Clearwater Conservancy watershed clean-up day. From past experience, I expect to find many single-use plastic bottles in the trash we will be collecting. I recently returned from a trip to Europe. There, most beverages were sold in glass or metal, not plastic. Both of those things led me to write this tip to encourage you to do everything you can to limit your own use of plastic and encourage others to do the same. Despite what the labels may say, very little of “recyclable” plastic gets recycled. Much of it ends up in trash, waterways or is burned.



Things you can do:

Move away from “throw-away.”

Consider alternatives to the usual single-use plastic items in your home. Consider bamboo toothbrushes, shampoo bars, aluminum water bottles, reusable silicone baggies and “waxed” paper wrap, for example.

Tell your friends what you are doing.

Talk about why reducing plastic use is important to you. Recount your changes as steps in a journey and invite them to join you in tackling the problem. Encourage them; avoid creating any embarrassment.

Advocate for change in your office.

Check out the kitchen and coffee station. Styrofoam cups and plastic stirrers get thrown away but never go away. Look for non-plastic alternatives. Buy a package of linguine pasta, break the strands in half and use them to stir the coffee or tea.

Look for opportunities to educate and encourage your groups and organizations.

Consider a “This—Not That” display showing alternatives to single-use plastic. Plan a special program. Arrange to clean up a nearby stream or roadway as a service project.

Donate to organizations that are addressing the plastic problem on a larger scale. Your financial support enables them to reach far and wide. Check out these: EarthDay.org, Plastic-Free July, The Story of Stuff Project, specifically The Story of Bottled Water.

Boycott companies that use excessive plastic packaging. Purchase from businesses that are committed to environmentally friendly practices as well as plastic-free products. Look for B Corp certification. Read the “About” tab on websites. Complain if you receive something with plastic packaging. Buy food not wrapped in plastic.

Push your state or city to ban specific single-use plastics.

Get your local policymakers on the “ban-wagon.”

Contact your Representative to advocate for passage of the bill to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act. Currently only in the “introduced” phase is the bill H.R. 6053: “To amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to reduce the production and use of certain single-use plastic products and packaging, to improve the responsibility of producers in the design, collection, reuse, recycling, and disposal of consumer products and packaging, to prevent pollution from consumer products and packaging from entering into animal and human food chains and waterways, and for other purposes.”

Approach every day with gratitude.

God has gifted us with an amazing planet—not wrapped in plastic. Our faithful response is to cherish and care for this treasure.



Finances for 2024

	GLC Actual Income vs. Expense, March 2024	GLC Budgeted Income vs. Expense, March 2024	+ or (-)	%
Income	\$85,448.05	\$77,150.00	\$8,298.05	10.76%
Expenses	\$77,004.33	\$79,752.59	(\$2,748.26)	-3.45%
Net Income	\$8,443.72	(\$2,602.59)		

Thank you for your generous offerings during March. We exceeded our giving goal and, thanks to excellent cost containment, we exceeded budgetary net income projections by over \$11,000. What a blessing! As we continue into the last few months of the fiscal year, please continue to robustly support your church and the many ministries it carries out for the blessing of our members and our community. The most convenient and helpful way to ensure steady support is by a secure, scheduled monthly bank transfer (called an “ACH”) from you to Grace. To set this up, or to increase or change your monthly account transfer, email Sally Grine, Finc. Admin. at sgrine@glcpa.org or call her at 814-238-2478. You can also donate using any major credit card via Tithe.ly, which is accessible via the GIVE button on our website at www.glcpa.org. Please consider covering the processing fee (approximately 2% of your donation) to ensure Grace benefits fully from your support. An increase of \$20, \$10, \$5, or even \$1 per week from many people can make a significant difference. Thank you!

Church Council

Council Highlights

At its April 2024 meeting, Grace’s Church Council:

- Engaged Mathew Stetson of Studio 216 in Bellefonte to guide the redecoration of the Narthex, which will eventually be renamed the Lynn Welcome Center, in honor of the ministry of Grace Pastor-Emeritus Steve Lynn.
- Approved the 2024-25 budget prepared by the Finance Team, for presentation to the congregation for adoption at our upcoming congregational meeting.



Super Wednesday

We will have normal dinner and hours **May 1 and 8** (menus TBD). **May 15** will be our final Super Wednesday gathering until Fall. We will celebrate with a Spring Picnic (cookout) on the Lawn. The menu will be: Fresh grilled chicken breast sandwiches with homemade dressings, macaroni salad, baked beans, cake (in honor of graduates), and drinks, with extended hours from **5:00-6:15 p.m.**

Summer Outdoor Worship Returns

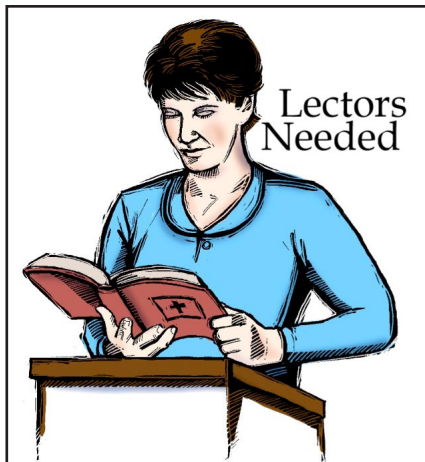
Once again this summer (weather permitting), we



will worship outdoors in Grace’s courtyard. This was something we did during the pandemic out of necessity, but the beauty of the setting transformed this into a practice many have wanted to retain. Accordingly, our **9 a.m.** worship service will be held in the courtyard on the second Sunday of the summer months, namely: **June 9, July 14, August 11, and September 8**. On **September 8** the **10:30** service will also be outdoors as part of our annual “Worship on the Lawn” event that kicks off all of our fall programming.

Preparing our Hearts and Minds for Worship

Sunday	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Holy Gospel
May 5 Sixth Sunday of Easter	Acts 10:44-48	Psalm 98	1 John 5:1-6	John 15:9-17
May 12 Ascension of Our Lord	Acts 1:1-11	Psalm 47	Ephesians 1: 15-23	Luke 24: 44-53
May 19 Day of Pentecost	Acts 2:1-21	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	Romans 8:22-27	John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15
May 26 The Holy Trinity	Isaiah 6:1-8	Psalm 29	Romans 8:12-17	John 3:1-17



Lectors
Needed

Call for Lectors at Grace!

We are thrilled to announce that we are seeking individuals of any age who are interested in becoming lectors at our **8 a.m., 9 a.m., and 10:30 a.m.** services. Lectors play a crucial role in our worship services by sharing readings from scripture, thus enriching the spiritual experience for our congregation.

If you feel called to serve in this meaningful role or know someone who might be interested, we encourage you to reach out to Rebecca Desmarais at becky-lynn0621@gmail.com to be added to the lector sign-up email list. Thank you for considering this opportunity to contribute to the spiritual life at Grace.

In Memoriam: Pat Lloyd (organist at Grace)

Patricia (Pat) Lloyd – who until her passing was the longest-standing staff member at Grace Lutheran Church – died peacefully in the night on Tuesday, April 16, 2024. Born on St. Patty’s Day in 1935 (and named to mark the day), she was a friendly, kind person who was known for her generous and cheerful hospitality as well as her musical gifts.



Trained as a pianist, Pat served Grace as an organist in her early years alongside Grace member Koya Ohmoto and later alongside June Miller as well as playing piano for our early morning worship services and numerous congregational events. In addition to her work at Grace, Pat taught piano classes for many years at State High; was a co-founder of the Central Pennsylvania Music Teachers Association Phyllis Triolo Music Competition, which provided scholarship funds for talented high school students; and played flute for the ensemble Toot-in-Common. Family was Pat’s first focus, but music was not far behind; she was still teaching piano privately the week she made her final journey home to her Creator.

Pat: We thank you!

– Laurel Sanders, Director of Music & Arts Ministries, on behalf of Grace Lutheran Church

Join Pastor Hetrick for the Season of Creation Intro study on Super Wednesday, May 8

Come join us in Fireside on **May 8 at 6:15 p.m.** for a one-week session introducing the Season of Creation, which we will mark from September 8 - October 6. Each Sunday will feature readings on a theme beginning with “Love Your Neighbor Sunday” and ending with “All Creatures Sunday.”

Here is a bit about the Season of Creation which is being observed by many global churches, including the Lutheran World Federation: This year’s theme is “To Hope and Act with Creation,” based upon Romans 8. “The times we live in show that we are not relating to the Earth as a gift from our Creator, but rather as a resource to be used. And yet, there is hope and the expectation for a better future. To hope in a biblical context does not mean to stand still and quiet, but rather groaning, crying, and actively striving for new life amidst the struggles.”

News & Events in MAY

Grace Lutheran Preschool Gets New Signs

You have probably noticed our new signs that went in on March 20. GLP was able to use some of our Cares Act grant money to purchase a sign next to the school entrance. Thank you to the church for adding Grace Lutheran Preschool to the corner sign on Beaver Ave. and Garner St. We are very excited to have better visibility in the community.



ANNUAL MEETING

Grace Lutheran Annual Congregational Meeting: May 19

Grace's annual congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, **May 19 at 12:30 p.m.** in Harkins Hall and will be preceded by a light luncheon. The meeting will be in-person only. All voting members of the congregation will have the opportunity to vote on the proposed budget for the 2024-25 Fiscal Year.

Did you know...

... at this year's Advent Fest we will be celebrating Kenya and the Kenya Evangelical Lutheran Church? A very important outreach ministry of the KELC is the Pangani Lutheran Children's Centre in Nairobi, a rescue centre for girls who are living on the streets in Nairobi and have no access to education. The school's aim is to change their lives into a brighter future by offering a Christian and caring education. PLCC takes in girls who are typically between 4 and 12 years old and have never attended school or any educational institution.

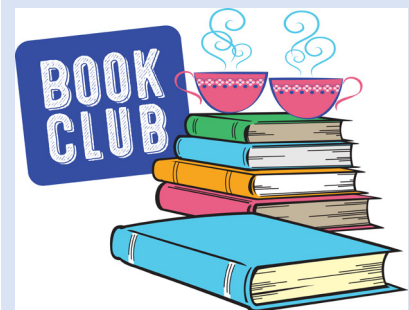


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Sisters of Grace Meets Monday, May 13

The Sisters of Grace Circle will meet **Monday, May 13 at 6:30 p.m.** in Fireside. The circle will continue its focus on spiritual practices as described in the book *The Sacred Way* by Tony Jones. At the May meeting, Lois Lynn will lead a discussion of The Jesus Prayer. All women and friends are welcome. Questions may be directed to Bonnie Burris (bonnieburris@comcast.net) or Lois Lynn (loissteve@comcast.net).



The Garden of Reading Meets May 21

The next meeting of the Garden of Reading' (Women's Book Club) is **Tuesday, May 21 at 10:30 a.m.** in the Stinson Library (also available on Zoom). The selected book is *Learning to Walk in the Dark* by Barbara Brown Taylor. The discussion will be facilitated by Pastor Lois Martin. Contact Lois Lynn (loissteve@comcast.net) for details.



Summer Worship & Fine Arts Camp "Take It to the Lord in Prayer"

Monday-Thursday, June 24-27, 2024
9 a.m. – 3 p.m., Grace Lutheran Church
205 S Garner Street, State College, PA

Children entering Grades 2-8 in the Fall of 2024 are invited to **MAKE, RING, DRUM, SING** as they pray the psalms with guest artistic director Michael Burkhardt and regional fine arts educators.



REGISTER by May 15 at <http://tinyurl.com/GraceMusicCamp>
Cost: \$175 per camper (incl. \$50 non-refundable registration). Families with 2 or more children: \$15 discount per subsequent child. Full payment due **May 15, 2024**. Tuition assistance info on request. Click QR code to register.



For details about registration or volunteering, visit <http://glcpa.org/grace-music-camp> (click News) or contact Laurel Sanders at arts@glcpa.org.



Mark your Calendar! Strawberry Festival June 8, 4:00 - 6:30 p.m. Women of Grace Spring Event for All Ages

Women of Grace will be hosting our Annual Strawberry Festival, **Saturday, June 8, 4:00 - 6:30 p.m. on the lawn of the Miller Center**. If we have rain, the picnic supper and entertainment will be in Harkins Hall and activities in the Miller Center.

Picnic supper served from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. with hamburgers, hot dogs, Chef Dave's potato salad, and vanilla ice cream with strawberries.

Musical entertainment will be from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. provided by the Quasi Quintet jazz ensemble, playing sentimental favorites from Frank Sinatra, Tony Bennett, Benny Goodman, Louis Prima, Miles Davis, Joe Henderson, Clifford Brown, and more.

Children's activities will be from 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. with games, fishing booth, "adopt a Beanie baby," balloon art by Grace member Devin Christian, and face painting by Grace member Jen Conklin.

Please join us for a fun-filled time of good food, music, and fellowship!

loss of a loved one divorce
illness hospitalization job loss
discouragement spiritual crisis
loneliness life challenges



Stephen Ministry

There are times when every one of us experience difficulties. God never intended for us to go through these experiences alone. That's why God brought us together as a congregation – and why we have a Stephen Ministry.

Stephen Ministers are members of our congregation who have received extensive training to minister to people experiencing crisis or going through a difficult time in life. Every week, a Stephen Minister will meet with you privately and confidentially to listen, care, encourage, support, and reflect Christ's presence in your life.

If you'd like to learn more about Stephen Ministry for yourself or someone else, contact Grace's Stephen Minister Coordinator Brenda Palmgren at 814-574-1039 or Pastor Hetrick at 814-238-2478.



DID YOU KNOW. . .

. . . we are participating in a grant with Centre Safe to develop events to raise awareness and prevention of sexual violence, and guidance for responding appropriately to those who are victims? This program is called AWARE, or Adult Wisdom to Advance Respect and is being developed with the 60+ population in mind. A focus group of Grace members is meeting with Centre Safe to develop the learning opportunities for caregivers, loved ones and the 60+ population in general. We hope to offer our first programs here at Grace in the mid fall of 2024.

Our Livestream is Reaching Viewers Far and Wide

Did you know, each week our service is viewed on average 260 times? This equates to 520 viewers watching our service and our viewership numbers continue to increase. Since we started streaming in September 2021, our services have been viewed approximately 35,000 times.



People have watched our service from all corners of the US and the globe. Folks have mentioned watching while they were on vacation in Europe, Central America and from various places across the US. If you are away on a Sunday please log in by accessing our website at www.glcpa.org.

Active participation in the service is happening. People have mentioned waving to the camera during the sharing of the peace and singing along with the hymns. When folks can't be with us in person, they enjoy seeing people they know in the congregation. The freestanding camera is being used to provide a wider angle of the congregation during the service.

If anyone would like to learn more about livestreaming, you can reach out to Pastor Hetrick or Alyson Hoegg (alysonm.hoegg@gmail.com) and they would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

DEIB Team News

Join us at the STATE COLLEGE PRIDE PARADE Saturday, June 8 at 10 a.m.



We will be participating in the State College Pride Parade again! We would love to show our local community how loved, welcomed, and supported they are by Grace Lutheran Church. If participating in the parade is not for you, you are welcome to hang out at our tent/table set up or just come watch the festivities curbside. Please see the GRACE PRIDE display at the church to sign up to join us! Questions or concerns can be directed to Sarah Rodgers at skrodgers@hotmail.com or Natalie Slane at nataliejslane@gmail.com.

We have a new t-shirt design this year! Special thanks to Melissa Hockenberry for all of her work. You do not need to participate in the parade to purchase a shirt. To purchase our 2024 Grace Pride Shirt, please see the display at church or email Melissa Hockenberry at mmh1222@yahoo.com. Orders are due by **May 12** and shirts cost \$9. We hope you can join us!

During the Month of May the DEIB team recognizes and honors the dates listed below:

- ALL Month Asian and Pacific Islander and Older Americans Month
- May 5 Cinco de Mayo
- May 10 Military Spouse Appreciation Day
- May 12 Mother's Day
- May 17 International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia
- May 19 Pentecost
- May 27 Memorial Day

Our meeting for May will be held on **Monday, May 20 at 7 p.m.** in person in the fireside room. We have the option to join via zoom as well.













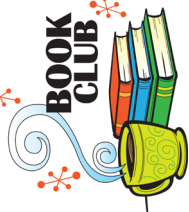


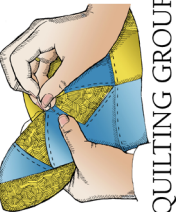

MAY 2024

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
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ANNUAL MEETING
 Grace Lutheran
 Annual Congregational
 Meeting & Luncheon
 May 19 in Harkins Hall
 (Luncheon starts at 12 p.m.,
 Meeting starts at 12:30 p.m.)



Sunday, May 5	Monday, May 6	Tuesday, May 7	Wednesday, May 8	Thursday, May 9	Friday, May 10	Saturday, May 11
Sixth Sunday of Easter 8a Worship 9a Worship, Echo S.S. 10a Crossfire Rehearsal 10:30a Worship 10:45a Cate S.S./Narthex 11:30a Celebration of the Arts/Harkins Hall Bell Choir Rehearsal LCM Luncheon/Fireside	9a - 2:30p GLP Teacher Appreciation May 6-10 10:30a GLP Chapel/Sanctuary	9a - 2:30p GLP 9:30a Staff Meeting/Fireside 	9a - 2:30p GLP Teacher Appreciation Luncheon 5p REJOICE/ choir room Joyful Noise/ Rm 203 5:15p Super Wednesday/Harkins 6p Family Activity Time/Miller Cntr 6:15p Adult Bible Study/Fireside	9a - 2:30p GLP 2p AWARE Focus Group w/ Center Safe 6p Sandwich Club / Boal City Brewery 7:30p AA Group 	9a - 12p GLP Muffins with Mom 5:30p NA Group/Library	
			3p Worship at the Village REJOICE/ choir room Joyful Noise/ Rm 203 5:15p Super Wednesday/Harkins Family Activity Time/Miller Cntr Adult Bible Study/Fireside - Special Guest, Ukrainian Icon Artist Krystyna Kyvk	5:30p NA Group/Library 		

Sunday, May 12	Monday, May 13	Tuesday, May 14	Wednesday, May 15	Thursday, May 16	Friday, May 17	Saturday, May 18
<p>Ascension of Our Lord Graduation Milestone Recognition</p> <p>8a Worship 9a Worship, Echo S.S., Snack & Chat/ 10a Harkins Crossfire Rehearsal 10:30a Worship 10:45a Cafe S.S./ Narthex 11:30a LCM Luncheon/ Fireside</p> 	<p>9a - 2:30p GLP</p> <p>6:30p Women of Grace/ Fireside</p> 	<p>9a - 2:30p GLP Young Artist Days May 14-17</p> <p>9:30a Staff Meeting/Fireside Church Council 7p</p>	<p>9a - 2:30p GLP</p> <p>5:15p Super Wednesday Spring Picnic/ Lawn</p>	<p>9a - 2:30p GLP</p> <p>10:30a Children's Chapel/ Sanctuary Stephen Ministry/ Fireside 7:30p AA Group/Library</p> 	<p>9a - 12p GLP GLP Staff Mtg - No Enrichment Classes</p> <p>5:30p NA Group/Library Middle School Fun Night/ Miller Cntr</p> 	
<p>Sunday, May 19</p> <p>Day of Pentecost</p> <p>8a Worship 9a Worship, Echo S.S. 10a Snack & Chat/Harkins Crossfire Rehearsal/ Munchkin Brunchkin/ Miller Cntr</p> <p>10:30a Worship 10:45a Cafe S.S./ Narthex 11:30a LCM Luncheon/ Fireside</p> <p>12p Annual Mtg Luncheon/ Harkins</p> <p>12:30p Annual Mtg/ Harkins</p> <p>4p Confirmation/ Miller</p> <p>5p Youth Group/ Miller</p> <p>7p Young Adult Bible Study/ Miller Cntr</p> <p>7:15p QNA/ Fireside</p>	<p>9a - 2:30p GLP</p> <p>7pm DEIB Mtg/ Fireside</p> 	<p>9a - 2:30p GLP GLP Ice Cream Social</p> <p>9:30a Staff Meeting/Fireside 10:30a Garden of Readin/ Library 6p GLP Ice Cream Social/ Church Courtyard</p> 	<p>9a - 2:30p GLP</p>	<p>9a - 2:30p GLP</p> <p>3:30p Food Distribution/ Grace Parking Lot 7:30p AA Group/Library</p> 	<p>9a - 2:30p GLP Snow Make-up Day #2</p> <p>5:30p NA Group/Library</p>	<p>Saturday, May 25</p>
<p>Sunday, May 26</p> <p>The Holy Trinity</p> <p>8a Worship 9a Worship 10a Snack & Chat/ Harkins Crossfire Rehearsal</p> <p>10:30a Worship 11:30a LCM Luncheon/ Fireside</p>	<p>No School for Memorial Day</p> <p>7p Congregational Care Mtg/ Fireside</p> 	<p>9a - 2:30p GLP</p> <p>9a Comfort Makers/ Library 9:30a Staff Meeting/Fireside</p> 	<p>9a - 2:30p GLP Last Day MWF Classes</p>	<p>9a - 2:30p GLP Last Day TR and M-F Classes 7:30p AA Group/Library</p>	<p>Friday, May 31</p> 	

Anti-Hunger Update

Thanks to all of the volunteers that have helped with food distribution, especially with the uptick in the number of families we are helping! We are still seeing new neighbors who need our help attend our food distributions. Even though the Central PA Food Bank has increased the amount of food that they send to us, in March we needed to use most of our emergency shelf stable food on our shelves in the Narthex to provide food for the extra families.

March Madness - During *March Madness* we held a food drive at Grace Lutheran Church so that we could have extra food on hand in case we have more families attend than we are prepared for at the distribution. This food is also used for emergency situations. Thank you to the entire Grace Family for donating 690 cans of food!!!

- 189 Soup Cans
- 186 Vegetable Cans
- 153 Pasta Boxes
- 84 Pasta Sauce jars/cans
- 32 Fruit cans
- 31 Canned Meat
- 15 Peanut Butter jars



State College Food Bank - Several members of our Anti-Hunger program volunteered for the State College Food Bank's drive through distributions during March. In addition to working with new people, we also gathered some new ideas from their process. The State College Food Bank offered Easter Baskets (prepared by a PSU student organization) to the children. What a wonderful idea. We are considering a similar idea either by month or on special occasions throughout the year. Please let us know if you have any ideas!!

Financial Donations - We have recently received some financial donations which have allowed us to buy additional food. We look forward to purchasing E-Z Up style tents for use during our food distributions. We have been using the oldest and heaviest tables for our food distributions and are hoping to purchase sturdy lighter weight tables for our volunteers to set-up and take down more easily.

It is wonderful to have new people volunteer to help on distribution days! We certainly have intergenerational participation ranging from school-age, college age, young adult, up through senior citizens. If you would like to help with the pre-bagging or the actual distribution of the food, please contact Kathy Kalbach at kathymkalbach@gmail.com.

Food Distribution Dates - We are continuing to hold two distributions on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month starting at **1:30 p.m.** to unpack food and **3:30 p.m.** to distribute. We are blessed that we are able to help our neighbors in need.

Future dates for food distribution at Grace are:

- Thursday, May 9th
- Thursday, May 23rd
- Thursday, June 13th
- Thursday, June 27th



SC Food Bank Needs

The Food Bank of State College is always in need of donations. Grace Lutheran Church collects donations monthly in the church narthex on the first Sunday of each month at each worship service. Cash/check donations, grocery store gift cards, and brown paper grocery bags are always accepted.

Current Needs

- GREATEST NEED! Ready-to-Serve Soups (Progresso, Campbell's CHUNKY, etc.)
- Spaghetti (1 lb. boxes)
- Pasta Sauce
- Tomato Product (diced, stewed, paste, sauce, etc.)
- Canned Fruit (peaches, pears, pineapple, applesauce)
- Snack Items (crackers, cookies, chips/pretzels, granola bars, etc.)
- Gluten-Free items (pasta, flour, baking items, snacks, etc.)
- Ground Coffee
- Condiments
- Oil (vegetable, canola, olive oil)

Non-Food Items

- Laundry Detergent
- Liquid Dish Soap
- Liquid Hand Soap
- Toothpaste & Toothbrushes
- Bar Soap
- Body Wash

We cannot accept expired or opened food items. Please check the expiration dates on items before donating them. Our food donation guidelines provide assistance in determining what can be accepted.

<https://scfoodbank.org/donate/current-needs-list>

MAY CALENDAR

Sunday, May 5

- 9:00 a.m. ECHO Sunday School / Sanctuary
- 10:45 a.m. Cafe Sunday School / Narthex
- 11:30 a.m. Celebration of the Arts/ Harkins Hall

Sunday, May 12

- Graduation Milestone Recognition
- 9:00 a.m. ECHO Sunday School / Sanctuary
- 10:45 a.m. Cafe Sunday School / Narthex

Friday, May 17

- 6:00 p.m. Middle School Fun Night / Miller Center

Sunday, May 19

- 9:00 a.m. Special Last ECHO Sunday School /Sanctuary
- 10:00 a.m. Munchkin Brunchkin / Miller Center
- 10:45 a.m. Last Cafe Sunday School /Narthex
- 4:00 p.m. Confirmation / Miller Center
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Group / Miller Center
- 7:00 p.m. Young Adult Bible Study / Miller Center



Graduate Recognition

Parents, we plan to recognize the collegiate and high school graduates of the class of 2024, on **Sunday, May 12 at 9:00 a.m. and/or 10:30 a.m. worship.** Select the service that is most convenient for your family. If you are unable to attend Sunday, let us know if you would like to be recognized at our Super Wednesday picnic on **May 15 at 5:30 p.m.** Please email a photo of your senior to faithformation@glcpa.org. Photos will be included in a slideshow for live stream and the Sunday bulletin.

CALENDAR

June/July Preview

Saturday, June 8

- 10:00 a.m. State College Pride - Look for sign-ups
- 4:00-6:30 p.m. Strawberry Festival/ Lawn

Sunday, June 9

- 9:00 a.m. Outdoor Worship with Faith Formation Hosting Snack & Chat (formally Coffee Hour)

June 24 -27

- 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Hearts, Hands, and Voices Worship and Fine Arts Camp/ Sanctuary

July 14-21

- ELCA Youth Gathering 2024 - New Orleans

Contact Us!

Any interest or questions about any Faith Formation activity, please email Cindy and Peter at faithformation@glcpa.org.



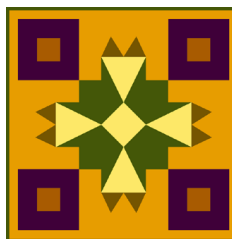

Confirmation Class

Confirmation class will be on **Sunday, May 19 at 4-5 p.m.** in the Miller Center. Please bring your Bible. **This will be the final class until September.**

Middle School Fun Night

On **Friday, May 17,** we will be

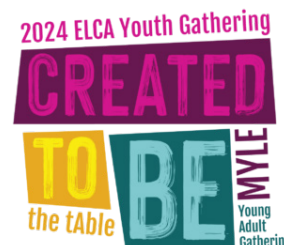
joined by our Grace Sewing group, the Comfort Makers. They will be helping us not only tie quilts but to design one. We will have dinner, program time, and free time. The event is from **6-8 p.m.** Bring friends!



High School Youth Group

Preparations will continue for our July trip to New Orleans. Please

join us on **May 19 at 5 p.m.** in the Miller Center. We will review gathering details and lessons.



Munchkin Brunchkin

Families, join us for Munchkin Brunchkin on **Sunday, May 19 at 10 a.m.** in the Miller Center. Munchkin Brunchkin is a ministry for any family with one or more children ages 0-4 years. Each time we gather, we send home a faith based board book to add to your library. This is an intentional time for parents to gather with other families and share faith with one another. Our last date is **May 19**. Look for possible summer gatherings in the June/July issue of Grace Notes.



ECHO Sunday School

Echo Sunday school wraps up the school year on **May 19**. Parents, we are inviting you to attend with your youth as we will share ways to take faith into the Summer.



Cafe Sunday School

Cafe Sunday will meet at **10:45 a.m.** in the Narthex each Sunday to depart for Starbucks or Dunkin. Typically, we acquire our treats and return to meet for discussion in Fireside. All Middle School and High School Youth are welcome to join in! The last date is **May 19** when the current 5th graders will join us!



**Please Note:
Sunday Schools will
have their last day on
May 19.**

**We enjoyed an Egg-cellent
Easter Egg Hunt on April 7th!**





Dates to Remember!

May 1 – 31

GLP Art Work featured at Schlow Library

May 1

All-School field trip to PSU Arboretum

May 6– 10

Teacher Appreciation Week

May 8

Teacher Appreciation Luncheon provided by GLP Families

May 6 – 10

Moms Are Magnificent Week

May 6 & 9

Chapel, **10:30 am.** in the Sanctuary

May 10

Muffins with Mom, **8:45 - 9:30 a.m.** in the Miller Center

May 12

Happy Mother's Day

May 14 – 17

Young Author and Artist Days in the Miller Center

May 15 & 16

Enrichment Class Pizza Parties

May 17

GLP Staff Meeting, **12:15 - 2:15 p.m.** in the Fireside Room

May 21

GLP's End-of-Year Ice Cream Social **6 - 7 p.m.** in the church courtyard (rain date: **May 23**)

May 24

School in Session (Snow Make-Up Day #2)

May 27

No School for Memorial Day

May 29

Last day of GLP for MWF Classes

May 30

Last day of school for TR and M-F classes



Christian Focus Box for May

Taking Care of God's Creation
"For everything created by God is good."
 ~ 1 Timothy 4:4

Science Theme – Amazing Animals
Enrichment Theme – All Around the Town

Grace Lutheran Preschool 2024-2025 School Year Registration is Now Open



We are currently accepting registrations for the new school year. We offer small structured classes, flexible options, and a caring Christian environment to help children reach their full potential.

- 2, 3, and 5-day morning classes for children aged 2yo 7m, 3yo, 4yo, and Jr. Kindergarten
- Morning classes are licensed by the PA Department of Education
- Afternoon enrichment classes (home-packed lunch, monthly theme, experiential classes) as an add-on licensed by the PA Department of Human Services

Please get in touch with us to request a tour or for more information.

E-Mail: glpk@glcpa.org Phone: 814-238-8110 Web: www.glcpapreschool.org

Moms are Magnificent Week

All GLP classes will honor their Mom, Grandmother, Aunt, or another person who has played a motherly role in their life during the week of **May 6**. GLP students will invite this special person to "Muffins with Mom" on

Friday, May 10, from 8:45 - 9:30 a.m. Moms should arrive with their children, drop off bags and coats, go to the bathroom, and then go to the Miller Center to enjoy muffins with your children. All the children will gather to sing songs for you and then will be dismissed back to you. Teachers and Teacher's Aides will leave for their classrooms and then you will take your child to their classroom to say goodbye. Make sure you take a look at the Moms Are Magnificent bulletin boards!



MUFFINS
for Moms



End-of-Year Fun

We are excited to celebrate a successful 2023-2024 school year. On **May 1** we will take a school bus to Penn State University's Arboretum. We will visit all the gardens including the Children's Garden. Next, we'll celebrate our Magnificent Moms and Teachers. Not only is it Moms Are Magnificent Week, but it is also Teacher Appreciation Week. Parents will be coordinating a luncheon for our teachers and GLP will host Muffins for Moms. During the week of **May 13**, we will be inviting parents to attend our beloved Author and Artist Days. Each class will have artwork and class books on display in the Miller Center "Gallery." Parents and their children will read books together, and look at all the beautiful creations hanging on the walls. We will celebrate our final week of the year with an ice cream social for all the GLP families on **May 21** from **6 - 7 p.m.** in the church courtyard (rain date: **May 23**).

GLP Substitute teacher positions for 2024-25

Grace Lutheran Preschool is searching for substitute teachers for the 2024-2025 school year. Substitute teachers only need a love for working with young children. Send a cover letter and resume to Cathy Smarkusky, GLP Director, at csmarkusky@glcpa.org.



GLP Fundraisers Were a Big Success!

In February, Katie Brumberg Photography took black-and-white photos of several of our families' children. We earned \$208 through additional photo sales. The Mariana's Hoagies and Pizza fundraiser earned us \$900. Thank you to all Grace Lutheran Church members who purchased the tasty treats to help add to our tuition assistance and general unbudgeted needs accounts.

GLP April Highlights

Spring has sprung, and all of the GLP classes celebrated Easter at the end of March and a bit into April. We are well into learning about new life through plants, trees, April showers, and May flowers. Enrichment class's theme, "Be Nice to a Tree" taught the children how important trees are to us, animals, and the earth. Many of the morning classes have started planting seeds for our science unit, "Let's Grow."



Lutheran Campus Ministry

Our prayers are with students and everyone who is involved in campus life as the semester and the academic year draws to a close! Blessings to all who will be graduating and moving on! We have been blessed by your presence in our community of faith! For those who will return in the fall (or be here through the summer), we look forward to continuing the journey with you and being a community where you can step away from the daily demands and find connection and support.

Graduating?

Are you getting ready to graduate this semester? We'd like to help you celebrate! Please let Alicia Anderson know that you are graduating!! And CONGRATULATIONS!

Summer 2024

What are you doing this summer? If you are going to be in the State College area, let us know! We'll plan activities and events based on student availability and interest! If you are going to be away, you could join an online book discussion, Bible study, or movie discussion! Let us know what you are interested in!! Fill out the survey at <https://lutheranpennstate.org/2024/04/summer-2024/>

Grad Students

We will be gathering with Grad students this summer. Email Alicia Anderson at ara2@psu.edu and she will add you to the list!

Food Distribution – Help distribute food to members of our community on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays throughout the summer (various tasks and flexible times from **1:30 – 6 p.m.**) Your help is welcome for any part of the time! Contact Kathy Kalbach (kathymkalbach@gmail.com) or Alicia Anderson (ara2@psu.edu) to volunteer! Upcoming Dates: **May 9 and 23**. Watch for information on other opportunities in the coming weeks.

Check out our website and social media for info on community events and service opportunities!! Plus, you can add yourself to our listserv at lutheranpennstate.org. Follow and Like our social media on Instagram and Facebook [@lutheranpennstate](https://www.instagram.com/lutheranpennstate). Reach out anytime to lutheran@psu.edu.

Questions? Contact Deacon Alicia Anderson, Campus Minister at ara2@psu.edu.



Questions, Not Answers

"QNA" will meet on **Sunday, May 19 at 7:15 p.m.** in Fireside. Please come to join in our discussion. Previous participants and those who want to check it out once or occasionally are all welcome. We plan to discuss: "Can there still be 'prophets' post Jesus? If so, what would they look like? How would we recognize them?"

Contact Carla Rossi (ckrossi@comcast.net) for more information or with any questions.

May Worship Sponsors

Altar Flowers

- May 5 Brian Christian family, dedicated in memory of Don Christian
- May 12 The Hardyk family, dedicated in honor of Ethan's birthday
- May 19 Joyce & Don Widener, dedicated in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary
- May 26 The Binkley children and grandchildren, dedicated in memory of Ray & Barbara Binkley

Radio Sponsors

- May 5 Bruce Rathfon, dedicated in memory of Elaine Rathfon
- May 12 The Rogers family, dedicated in memory of Gary Schul
- May 19 Joyce Sipple, dedicated in memory of Scott Sipple
- May 26 The Brian Christian family, dedicated to those who have died for our country

Bulletin Covers

- May 5 Tom & Sally Horn, dedicated in honor of their 44th wedding anniversary and their children
- May 12 The Rogers family, dedicated in memory of Gary Schul
- May 19 Joyce Sipple, dedicated in memory of Scott Sipple
- May 26 Rich & June Walter, dedicated to the Glory of God

Live-Stream Sponsors

- May 5 Liz & Ben Reppert, dedicated in honor of Liz's parent's 40th wedding anniversary
- May 12 The Rogers family, dedicated in memory of Gary Schul
- May 19 Joyce & Don Widener, dedicated in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary
- May 26 Tim & Julie Swavely, dedicated to the Glory of God

We sincerely thank
all of our generous
sponsors.



Snack & Chat Sponsors - Joe and Cindy Nicosia 814-571-6922 jnicosia3@comcast.net

- May 5 No Snack & Chat (Celebration of the Arts following 10:30 worship)
 - May 12 Joe and Cindy Nicosia
 - May 19 Fellowship Ministry
 - May 26 Paul and Kathryn Mackes
- Please join our hosts each Sunday in Harkins Hall between **9:45 and 10:30 a.m.** at Snack & Chat, to enjoy coffee and a treat and a chance catch up with friends before or after your favorite church service. We rely on volunteers to sponsor and/or host. You may sponsor and host (treats at your discretion) or just sponsor (others will host). The cost to "sponsor only" is \$30 (check to Grace Lutheran Church with "**Snack & Chat**" and the sponsored date in the memo line).

Acolytes - Kristin Knowles kristinmknowles@gmail.com

9:00 a.m.

- May 5 Stella Ruffo and Anna Coup
- May 12 Andy and Katie Horn
- May 19 Ryan Morrison and Sydney Lintal
- May 26 Ryan Morrison and Lily Rinehimer

10:30 a.m.

- May 5 Lauren and Caitlin Knowles
- May 12 Anna Long and Renee Buda
- May 19 Mya and Jordan Hockenberry
- May 26 Anna Coup and Kaylin Slane

Lectors - Rebecca Arnold Desmarais beckylynn0621@gmail.com

8 a.m.

- May 5 Dennis Snider
- May 12 Vicki Sue Golemboski
- May 19 Julie Miller
- May 26 Carla Rossi

9 a.m.

- May 5 Linda Schul
- May 12 Angie Hardyk
- May 19 **Open**
- May 26 Ben Reppert

10:30 a.m.

- May 5 Brian Christian
- May 12 Ethylee Nordberg
- May 19 Melissa Hockenberry
- May 26 Brian Christian

Pastoral Acts for April

Pastor Hetrick baptized Land Patrick McShea on April 14.

Pastor Schul baptized Addison Grace Dellert and Andrew Francis Schubert on April 14.

May Birthdays



1 Danielle Lazorcik
1 Michael Solo
2 Megan Showalter
3 Bonnie Burris
3 Alex Moore
3 Jonathan Sweeney
3 Charles Lombardi
4 Stephanie Chastain
4 Linda Jeanmenne
4 Cale Kremser
4 Elizabeth Brigger
4 Ansley Davidson
5 Ethan Hardyk
5 Benjamin Seaton
5 Turner Malik
6 Madelyn Fallon
6 Kenneth Kalbach
6 Beth Shisler
6 Megan Stoltzfus
6 Claira Espenshade

6 Theodore Espenshade
7 Jeffrey Debnar
7 Michelle Peiffer
8 Lester Griel, III
8 Adam Hughes
8 Douglas Keith
8 Kristin Knowles
9 Kevin Hosterman
9 Kristen Kewitt
9 Deborah Kaufman
10 Robert O'Donnell
10 Gareth Roof
10 Mike Shilling
11 Paul Bowman
13 William Albert
13 Tina Ludwig
13 Bruce Rohrbach
13 Benjamin Stroschein
13 David Wolfe
13 Linda Odland

13 Declan Tucker
14 Brecken Bush
14 Hannah Donnell
14 Amy Preston
14 Gage Ollendyke
15 Julie Donnell
15 Alexander Johnson
15 Aaron Rohrbach
16 Megan Kay
16 Valerie Updegrove
16 Jason Long
17 Daniel Albert
17 Benjamin Krantweiss
17 Samuel Krantweiss
17 Joann McCormick
18 Gary Delafield
18 Catherine Griel
19 Les Cutter
19 Derek Farr
19 Manfred Kroger
20 Lee Gruver
20 Matthew Maggi
20 Thomas Verderame
20 Thomas Vermillion
21 Catherine(Sue) Forster
21 Janice McClure
22 Noah Droege
22 Deborah Lux
22 Evelyn Ruffo
23 Frank Bendik
23 Laura Egan

23 Elinor Franklin
23 Phillip Rodgers
24 Enola Weaver
24 John Zipf
25 Ferris Shurgalla
25 Andrew Lovell
25 Nathan Maggi
25 Celeste Newcomb
25 Mark Roberts
25 Jennifer Reutzell
25 Gina Rossi
25 Kimberly Baysinger
26 Samantha Asencio
26 Sandy Bender
26 Peter Kempf
26 Connie Ripka
26 Sharon Rivell
27 Conner Donghia
27 Calvin Peiffer
28 Kevin Franklin
28 Scott Fozard
28 Samuel Janik
29 Adam Houseknecht
29 Vicki Cable
29 Riley Hartzler
30 Nathan Glocke
30 Robert Larson
30 Edward Prince
31 William Bahnfleth
31 Lucy Barber
31 Molly Solo

Prayer List for May

All Military & National
Guard and all serving in
war-torn countries
Joe Belanger
Katie Berg, niece of Tom &
Sally Horn
Jo Bortz
Mary Breon
Tisana Breon, sister of
Mary Breon
Grace Brown & family
Dennis Buffington
Pam Crants, friend of
Sally Keiser-Bankert
Linda D'Alessandro
William & Barbara Davies
Susan DeMetrick
Debra Detweiler, mother of
Amanda Simcoe

Dennis Ebeling
Kevin Eby and family,
friends of the Koths
Steve & Janet Ellis, family
of The Louder's
Norma Flanagan, mother
of Jim Flanagan
Rosanne Fritz, mother of
Scott Fritz
Cay Griel
Dennis Hall
Posey Haney
Sherry Harrington
Jean Hickle, daughter of
the Chandra's
Todd Hoffman
Jim Kratz, father of
Pastor Hetrick

Peter Hodgdon, friend of
Jon Peters
Lisa & Ruthie, friends of
the Roger's
Paul Larson
Janet lavasile, friend of
the Nicosia's
The family of Pat Lloyd,
upon her death
Donald Losch
Gary Louder, brother of
Pastor Louder
Shirley Lucas
Patti McLean, sister of
Kelly Borchert
Flo Musgrave
Amy Neveling
Ronald Odland

Anthony & Meryl Parker
Sharon Rivell
Becky Rogers
Marjorie Schlaerth, mother
of Mary Kay Laplante
Lynda Schul
Ron Smith
Rick Stenerson, brother of
Rory Stenerson
Archie Sutherland
Tristan, relative of Carl
Hosterman
Val Updegrove
Johnny Walson

And please pray for
Members in the hospital

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