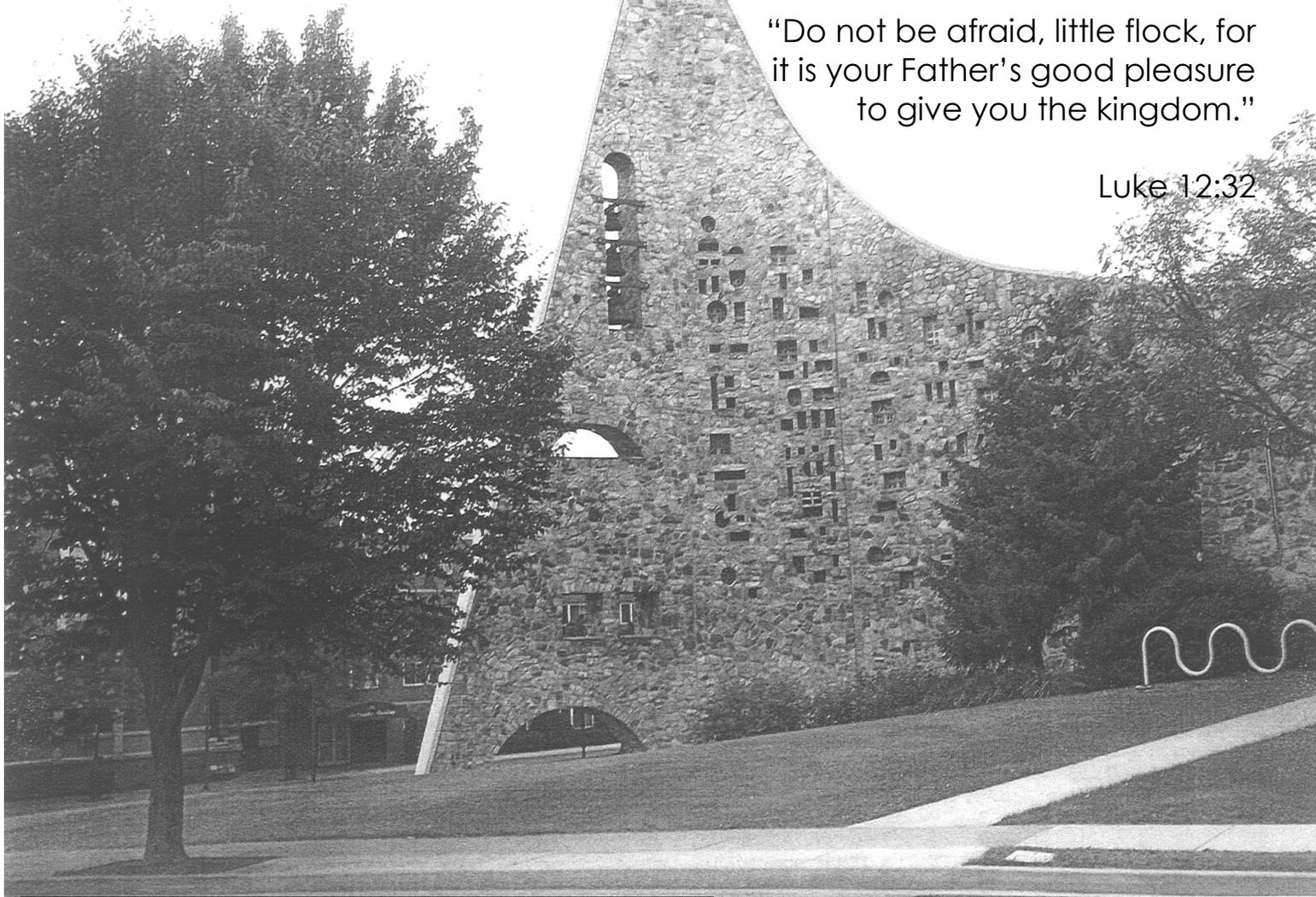


Welcome to **GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

A congregation of the ELCA

"Do not be afraid, little flock, for
it is your Father's good pleasure
to give you the kingdom."

Luke 12:32



SUNDAY, August 11, 2019
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

205 S. Garner St., State College, PA 16801

phone: 814-238-2478

email: churchoffice@glcpa.org

web address: www.glcpa.org

9:00 and 10:30 a.m. worship service

Today's Hymns

#ELW 638

#ELW 488

#ELW 547

Distribution

#ELW 856

#ELW 484



Our Mission Statement: *"Grace Lutheran Church is energized by the Holy Spirit and nurtured through God's Word and Sacrament to **gather, feed, and send** people in the name of Jesus Christ."*

ABOUT TODAY'S THEME... Jesus says, "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." It is God's promise from the beginning—to Abraham, to the early church, and to the "little flock" of which we are a part today in assembly. Faith, God's baptismal gift, trusts the promises of God. Have no fear.

ABOUT THE LESSONS.... **The First Lesson:** God promises childless and aging Abram that a child of his own will be his heir and that his descendants will number as many as the stars. Abram trusts God's promise, and through this faith he is considered righteous. **The Second Lesson:** Abraham and Sarah exemplify the vision of faith that people of God enact in every age. Their hope and trust in God's promise allowed them to face an unknown future and to receive the promise of God. **The Gospel Lesson:** Jesus encourages disciples to invest their hearts and live fully into God's reign. Instead of facing life with fear, those who know God's generosity are always ready to receive from God and to give to others.

WAYS TO GIVE AT GRACE

1. Offering plate at worship
2. "Direct Debit" transfers from your bank account to Grace
(see Laurel Sanders for sign up information)
3. Make an online gift at our website, www.glcpa.org

Thank you for supporting the ministries of Grace Lutheran!

All are welcome to our weekly
"coffee hour" in Harkins Hall
following the 9 AM service!

↑ = Please stand as you
are able
↓ = Please be seated

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Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church - State College, Pennsylvania

PRELUDE *Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness (18 Chorales)*.....J. S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

↑ Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Congregation: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

↓ P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Kneel/Sit

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

GATHER

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

↑ GATHERING HYMN *Blessed Assurance*.....ELW # 638

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain

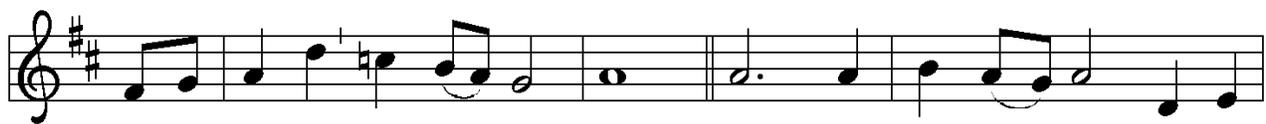
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



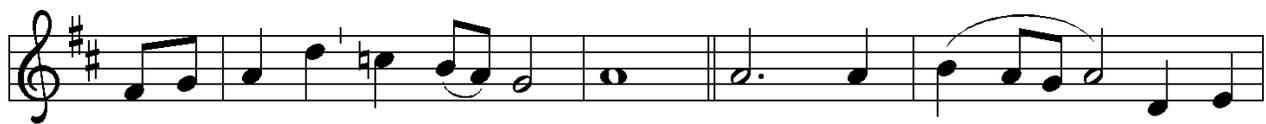
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FEED

*God speaks to us in scripture reading,
and feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*



(9:00) CHILDREN’S MESSAGECourtney Morrison
(10:30).....Anne Whitney
We welcome everyone to worship and encourage children of all ages to participate fully in our service. Qualified nursery care is available as needed. The nursery is located in room 202.

FIRST LESSON.....Genesis 15:1-6 (pew Bible p. 10)

¹After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” ²But Abram said, “O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” ⁴But the word of the Lord came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” ⁵He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” ⁶And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

PSALM 33—*Please sing responsively from the selected verses.*



L: The LORD looks | down from heaven,
and sees all | humankind.

**C: God sits firmly en- | throned and watches
all who dwell | on the earth.**

L: God fashions | all their hearts
and observes | all their deeds.

**C: Our innermost being waits for | you, O LORD,
our helper | and our shield.**

L: Surely, our heart rejoic- | es in you,
for in your holy name we | put our trust.

**C: Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, | be upon us,
even as we place our | hope in you.**

SECOND LESSON.....Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16(pew Bible p. 977)

¹Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ²Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, “as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.”

¹³All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(ELW p. 142a)



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL.....Luke 12:32-40 (pew Bible p. 847)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 12th chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.** (*spoken*)

[Jesus said:] ³²“Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

³⁵“Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

³⁹“But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.** (*spoken*)

↓ SERMON.....Pastor Hetrick

↑ HYMN OF THE DAY *Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness*.....ELW # 488
(stanzas 1, 2 & 4)

APOSTLES' CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Response after each petition:

P: Lord, in your mercy

C: Hear our prayer.

WE SHARE THE LORD'S PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

↓ OFFERTORY *Jesu, Priceless Treasure*.....J. Walther

↑ OFFERTORY SONG.....(ELW #182)

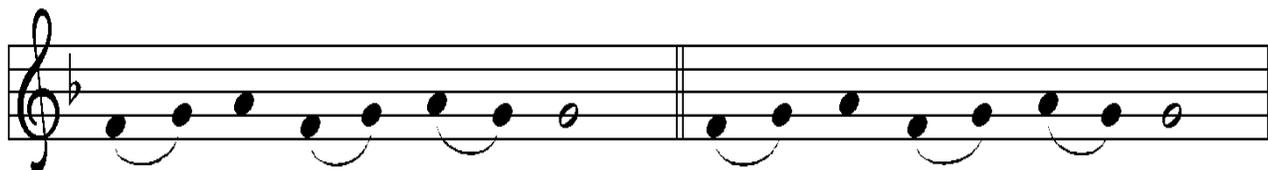
C: Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing, Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

P: Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

(ELW p. 144a)



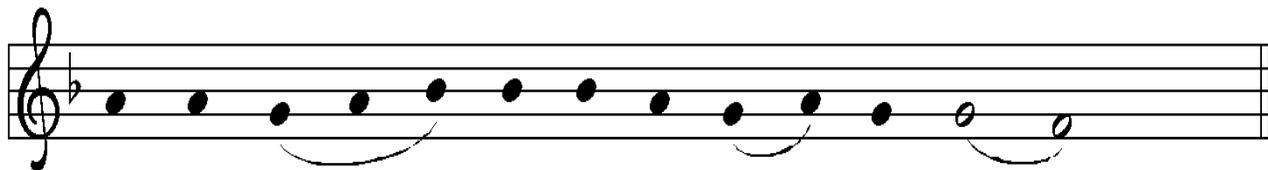
P: The Lord be with you. **C:** And al - so with you.



P: Lift up your hearts. **C:** We lift them to the Lord.



P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
 C: (ELW p. 144b)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

P: Almighty and merciful God, you are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: God of salvation and resurrection, pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and grace. And to you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be praise and honor, now and forever.

C: Amen.

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

P: The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, the meal is ready.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

↓ All who are baptized are invited to join the congregation in receiving the Savior's Body and Blood. Children not yet receiving Communion are invited forward for a blessing. Rice wafers and grape juice are available for those who have sensitivities to wheat or alcohol. An acolyte has a special tray with these alternative communion elements.

C: (ELW p.146)

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMNS

ELW # 856 -- *How Great Thou Art*

ELW # 484 -- *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart*

↑ **P:** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: **Amen.**



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P: O God, in this holy communion you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

SEND

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give + you peace.

C: Amen.

HYMN *Sent Forth By God's Blessing*.....ELW # 547

A: Go in peace; serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE *Sent Forth by God's Blessing*.....arr. J. Behnke



- The Rev. Scott E. Schul, Senior Pastor..... pastorschul@glcpa.org
- The Rev. Carolyn K. Hetrick, Associate Pastor.....pastorhetrick@glcpa.org
- Cindy Fritz, Peter Horn, Faith Formation.....faithformation@glcpa.org
- Laurel Sanders, Music & Arts Ministry Coordinator.....lsanders@glcpa.org
- Jayne Glocke.....Adult Choir Director
- Pat Lloyd & June Miller.....Pianists/Organists
- Joan Kovalchik.....Flute
- Anna Carol Buffington.....The Bells of Grace Director
- The Rev. P. Stevens Lynn.....Pastor Emeritus

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Grace Lutheran

Announcements for the Week of Sunday, August 11, 2019

LECTORS...The September sign-up sheets are in the narthex. Thanks to those who have served as lectors in the past. Veterans and new readers of all ages are also encouraged to sign up!

WANTED: Part-time organist ...Grace Lutheran is seeking trained and experienced part-time organists for 9 and 10:30 Sunday worship services. Principal responsibilities include two Sunday morning services; position can be shared by multiple organists. A strong organ background and experience with liturgical worship are required. Qualified applicants should send a cover letter and resume to Grace Lutheran Church, 205 S. Garner, State College, PA 16801 or lsanders@glcpa.org.

WANTED: BOARD MEMBERS FOR 55+ERS... The 55+ers are looking for volunteers to serve on their steering committee, which plans group events. Board meetings are the second Monday of each month at 9:15 in the Stinson Library at Grace. Board members do not need to be members of Grace Lutheran Church. Interested? Contact Paul or Kathryn Mackes at 238-0440 or call George or Kay Weigand at 237-0099.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED....to help with "coffee hour" at 10:00am in Harkins Hall. If you would like to learn more about this or to sign up please contact Joyce Arbutina at joycearb@comcast.net.

In August, **Garden of Readin'** will read *Moon Over Manifest* by Clare Vanderpool. The book, the story of an adventurous girl sent to Manifest, Kansas by her father in the summer of 1936, was awarded the 2011 Newberry Medal for excellence in children's literature, the Spur Award for best Western juvenile fiction and was named a Kansas Notable Book. Read this book with your children, grandchildren, or a friend (of ALL ages) and join us on Tuesday, August 20 at either 10:30 AM in the Stinson Library or 6:00 PM in Fireside to talk about it. Ellen Campbell will be facilitating the discussion. EVERYONE is welcome!!

MENS BOOK CLUB... will meet Sept 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library. Title of book "*Hatchet*" by Gary Paulsen.

ALLEGHENY SYNOD BISHOP... Michael Rhyne recently served notice that he does not intend to stand for reelection as bishop when his term ends August 2020. A new bishop will be selected at next year's Synod Assembly. Copies of Bishop Rhyne's Letter are available at the Welcome Center for anyone interested. Please keep the Allegheny Synod and the Synod staff in your prayers.

GRACE LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN ...is offering Adult and Pediatric 1st Aid and CPR on Monday, August 19th at 11:00 to 1:30. The cost of the course is \$50 per person. (Payment can be made at the time of the course.) Please RSVP by Monday August 12th to Cathy Smarkusky at either 238-8110 or csmarkusky@glcpa.org

Worship Assistants for Sunday, August 11, 2019

| | 8:00 A.M. | 9:00 A.M. | 10:30 A.M. |
|---|------------------------------|--|---|
| Lectors | Dave or Jen Pencek | Erin Luley | Ellen Campbell |
| Greeters | Martha Musser | Joann McCormick Marilyn Peterson | Leslie Elder Marilyn Peterson |
| Acolytes | Ryan Pencek Nathan Pencek | Jacob Fritz | Sophia Bills Mirabella Bills |
| Deacons | Nancy Reinert | Mardi McDonough Nick Downs | Beth Shafranko Brian Bills |
| Worship Assistant | Carla Rossi | | |
| Cantor | | Rick Tetzlaff | Terry Roof |
| Ushers | | Carl Bankert Sally Keiser-Bankert Ken Fogleman Don Coine Greg Kewitt | Karl Hosterman Brandon Hosterman Bruce Hockenberry Melissa Hockenberry Bill Ammerman Vickki Ammerman Chris Hollobaugh |
| Radio Ministry; Sound | | | Lester Griel Jr. |
| Coffee Hour Hosts 10:00-10:30 a.m. | | | Mark & Karen Mrsa |
| Welcoming Center Hosts | | Sharyn Everhart | Leslie Wagner |



The *altar flowers* are sponsored by Sharon Jodon & Susan Nelson-Zong
dedicated in memory of Marian Nelson-Cole

This morning's *bulletin* is sponsored by Jim & Ellen Campbell
dedicated in honor of their grandchildren Jamie & Rosie

Today's *radio broadcast* on WRSC - 1390 AM is sponsored
Laura Pauley
dedicated to the Glory of God

PRAYER CONCERNS for August 11, 2019

All Military & Nat'l Guard and all serving
in war-torn countries
Susan Antle
Scott Cocolin
Emma Jean Cole
Mark Doyle, friend of
Paul & Sandy Larson
Patrick Dugan, grandson of
Paul & Kathryn Mackes
Margaret Filer
Ethan Friend, friend of
Paul & Leslie Wagner
Kyoko Fujisawa, sister of
Hiroshi Ohmoto
Vicki Garvin
Elaine Gotham, friend of
Leslie Wagner
Herb Graves
Lynn Hochrein
Dick Houtz
Chris Kohlhepp, friend of
Sally & Carl
Larry Kuhns

The family of Esther Larson upon
her death
Phil Lucas
The family of Bill Luse
U pon his death
Aaron Lyon, nephew of
Sue & Pete Forster
Mardi McDonough
Danielle McHenry
Bob Miller, father of
Julie Miller
Jo Anne Miller
Chuck Noel
Dottie Roberts
Tamara Proctor
Margie Prothro, sister of
Ed Jenkins
Nancy Schuchert, mother of
Joe Schuchert
Ken Shultz
The family of Kyle Steffens,
college roommate of Laurel
Sanders upon her passing
William D. Snape Sr., brother
of Phyllis Favorite

Margaret Schrock, mother of
Kathy Weimer
Paul Spearly
Ashley Stout's family
Jack Sylves and family and
grandparents Tom and Marj Eakin
Christopher Ta
Marcile Tressler
Tom & Claudette, friends of Helen
and Dick Brenneman
Karen Tupman, cousin of
Phyllis Favorite
Ken Vermillion
Roxanne Vermillion
Stephanie & Jonathan, children of
Ken and Roxanne Vermillion
Sue Washburn, in-law of
Tom Drake
Brenda Walsh
Ash Woskob

Members in the hospital
Fiona Knowles



Weekly Prayer Letter of Encouragement

Don't pray when you feel like it. Have an appointment with the Lord and keep it. A person is powerful on their knees." ~ Corrie ten Boom

We at Grace strive to be a people of prayer. Each week in our bulletin we list Grace members or people connected to our Grace family who are in need of our prayers. Each week, one person is selected to receive a special letter of encouragement. Please sign the letter in the Upper Commons or Narthex and pray for that person this week.

This week the Prayer Letter will be sent to Emma Jean Cole.



Prayer is a powerful gift and tool God gives to us. Please pray for the request each day of the week during your daily prayer time. Just think how powerful it would be if all our members prayed for the same thing each day.

Our old Testament lesson is about Abram, who becomes Abraham, the father to nations in old age, a story of faith amidst doubt.

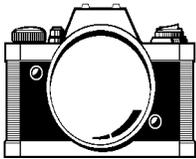
Lord, may our hearts will be filled with biblical stories of people of faith. May we recognize and give thanks for the "cloud of witnesses" surrounding us today, and look to Jesus' teachings and example to guild and encourage our faith. Amen

WANTED – PART-TIME SEXTON – Effective immediately, Grace Lutheran Church is seeking a sexton/cleaning specialist for up to 20 hours per week (afternoons; flexible schedule) to help clean our church and preschool, with options to work on some Sunday mornings. Send cover letter and resume to Laurel Sanders, Business Manager, at lsanders@glcpa.org or call Roy Evert, head sexton, at 238-2478 to discuss the position.



Grace Garden Giveaway happening now

Every Sunday during the rest of the growing season you will find an array of vegetables, fruit, and herbs from members' gardens that they are happy to share. You don't need to bring produce in order to enjoy the fruits from others' gardens. We hope you enjoy the bounty of God's shared abundance!



UPDATE: GRACE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY PHOTOS

In anticipation of our new pictorial church directory this fall, FREE digital photos of Grace members (with a backdrop!) will be taken by Bill Ammerman on Sundays, September 15 and 22 or October 6, between 8:30 am and 12:30 pm in Harkins Hall. (Bill is a member of our church, thus no fee for taking the photos.) Family photos are preferred; you do NOT need to sign up. Please also stop by the Welcome Center to pick up a copy of a form to update your family profile information and return it as soon as possible. Questions? Contact Sally Keiser-Bankert at sallykb@verizon.net or 814-571-3672. Thank you!

State College Area Meals on Wheels is seeking a person to serve as Volunteer Coordinator.

Part-time hours up to 25 hours per week. Hours are 8:30 - 1:30 with some hours being completed out of the office.

This is a paid position with some benefits.

The Volunteer Coordinator is responsible for the recruitment, screening, interviewing, orienting, training, and scheduling of volunteers for

positions that include, but are not limited to, Kitchen Aide, Line Worker, Driver, Visitor, community service volunteers, Penn State students, and special projects.

High School Diploma; College Degree preferred.

To apply, please email or mail a cover letter with resume to:

Christine Tyler, Executive Director,
scmealsonwheels@gmail.com or 205 S. Garner St.,
State College, PA 16801.



Dare to be different. **Dare to make a difference. Dare to go....OVER THE EDGE!** – Over the Edge Centre County is a rappelling event to support FaithCentre and Interfaith Human Services. Last year, Over the Edge raised more than \$90,000 to help Centre County neighbors feed their families, heat their homes and become financially stable. To step off the roof of the Frazier Centre or to support a fellow Grace member, visit ihs-centrecounty.org to learn how you can be a part of this fun and unique event.

School Supplies for Lutheran World Relief

Comfort Makers and friends have been busy sewing backpacks that will be filled by middle school and high school students as a mission project this fall so we are collecting supplies for the backpacks in the basket in the Upper Commons. The following supplies are needed:

One backpack will contain,

- Four 70-Sheet notebooks of wide or college ruled.
- One 30 centimeter ruler (or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other).
- One Pencil sharpener.
- One Blunt scissors.
- Five Unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers.
- Five Black or Blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink).
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons.
- One 2 1/2" erasers.



GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH SOFTBALL SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST

| Date | Home | Visitor | Field | Time |
|------|-----------------|---------|--------------|---------|
| 8/12 | Calvary Baptist | GLC | Orchard Park | 6:30 PM |

Last Game come out and support the team!

Happy Valley Hikers

On August 17th we will meet at Grace at 8:30 a.m. and head out to explore Walnut Springs Park and Thompson Woods Preserve right here in town, perfect for any age or ability. Walnut Springs park is located at the convergence of Easterly Parkway, University Drive and Walnut Springs Lane.

MILESTONE MINISTRY AT GRACE

At Grace we celebrate milestones. Milestones are designed to connect significant occasions in people's lives with their ongoing journey of faith. A Milestone Moment brings family, friends, and congregations together to mark a special time in their lives and acknowledge and affirm God's presence in their midst. It is a tool to connect home and church in the child and family's faith life. In addition to naming (the occasion), blessing (the person) and gifting (the gift), we send along an "At Home" sheet to reinforce the milestone with caring conversation.

Today we celebrate the start of a new school year and the love and acceptance we find in God and in this community. We also celebrate new drivers. God is a constant presence whether the journey is short or long.



*This Week
At Grace*

Sunday, August 11

- 8:00 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 9:00 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 10:30 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 4:00 p.m.....Psalm 151 Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 6:00 p.m.....Casual Worship w/ Holy Communion, Sanctuary

Monday, August 12

- 9:15 a.m.....55+er's Steering Committee Meeting, Library

Tuesday, August 13

- 9:30 a.m.....Staff Meeting, Fireside
- 6:00 p.m.....Church Council Meeting, Fireside

Wednesday, August 14

Bulletin Announcements due at 3 PM

Thursday, August 15

- 7:00 a.m.....Women's Breakfast Prayer Group, Waffle Shop North

Friday, August 16

No scheduled church activities

Saturday, August 17

No scheduled church activities