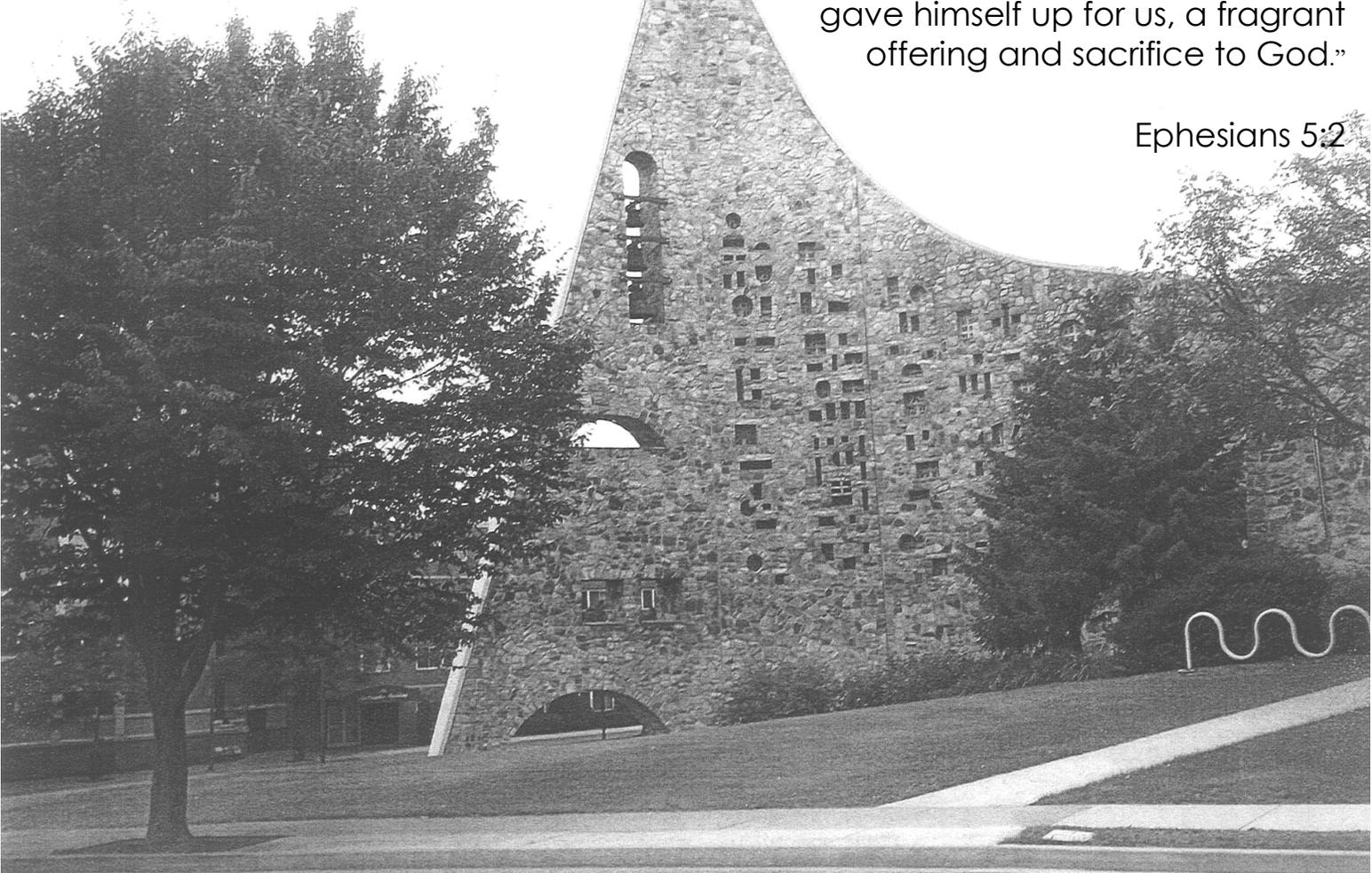


Welcome to **GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

A congregation of the ELCA

"Live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God."

Ephesians 5:2



SUNDAY, AUGUST 12, 2018
Twelveth Sunday after Pentecost

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

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

Today's Hymns

#ELW 522

#ELW 658

#ELW 543

Distribution

#ELW 472

#ELW 482



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 that the bread he gives for the life of the world is his flesh, and whoever eats this bread has eternal life now and will be raised on the last day. In Ephesians Paul tells us what this life Jesus gives us looks like, this life we live as those marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit in baptism. We live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. The whole purpose of life is giving yourself for the other.

ABOUT THE LESSONS.... The First Lesson: First Kings chapter 18 describes the contest between Elijah and the prophets of Baal. The contest proves that the Lord is God, and afterward Elijah orders the killing of the Baal prophets. Angered by the deaths of her prophets, Queen Jezebel threatens to kill Elijah. This reading finds Elijah fleeing, fatigued, and in utter despair. **The Second Lesson...** Christians are called to be imitators of God. This does not mean Christians are perfect. Rather, the Spirit is at work in our lives so that our actions and attitudes genuinely reflect the love and forgiveness we have received through Christ and his death. **The Gospel Lesson:** After feeding more than five thousand people in the wilderness, Jesus teaches them regarding the true significance of this remarkable sign.



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 *Bicentennial*.....*Schmoltze*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

↑ 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.

↑ PROCESSIONAL HYMN *As We Gather at Your Table*.....ELW #522

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

(ELW p. 149)

Refrain

Assisting minister



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

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



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

Refrain



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



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



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

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

C: Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, 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 & 10:30) CHILDREN'S MESSAGE.....Amy Evanego

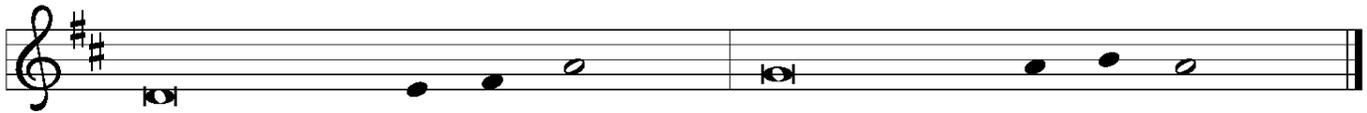
We welcome everyone to worship and encourage children of all ages to participate fully in our service. Qualified nursery care is available as needed. The nursery is located in room 202.



FIRST LESSON.....1 Kings 19:4-8(pew Bible p. 284)

⁴[Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors."⁵Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat."⁶He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again.⁷The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you."⁸He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

PSALM 34 — Please sing responsively from the selected verses.



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L: I will bless the LORD | at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be | in my mouth.

**C: I will glory | in the LORD;
let the lowly hear | and rejoice.**

L: Proclaim with me the greatness | of the LORD;
let us exalt God's | name together.

**C: I sought the LORD, who | answered me
and delivered me from | all my terrors.**

L: I called in my affliction, and | the LORD heard me
and saved me from | all my troubles.

**C: Taste and see that the | LORD is good;
happy are they who take ref- | uge in God!**

SECOND LESSON..... Ephesians 4:25-5:2 (pew Bible p. 951)

²⁵So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³²and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. ^{5:1}Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ²and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.



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



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

HOLY GOSPEL.....John 6:35, 41-51 (pew Bible p. 868)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 6th chapter.

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

³⁵Jesus said to [the crowd,] "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. ⁴¹Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴²They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" ⁴³Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. ⁴⁶Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

↓ SERMON.....Pastor Schul

↑ HYMN OF THE DAY *O Jesus, Joy of Living Hearts*.....ELW #658

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 *Largo and Minuetto*..... Trio in D (Quantz)
Joan Kovalchik, Pat Lloyd and Laurel Sanders, flutes

↑ OFFERTORY SONG.....(ELW #184)

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 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.

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.

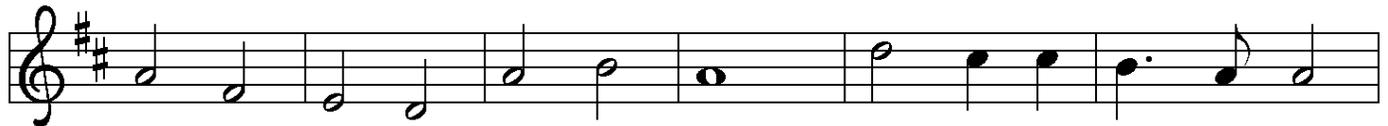
C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

(ELW p. 152)

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. 153)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



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: Everlasting God, the whole universe sings a new song of praise: the rivers clap their hands, the hills ring out for joy. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us voices ready to cry out for justice and proclaim resurrection joy wherever your Spirit leads us.

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.154)



Communion Distribution: Sarabande..... Suite in D minor (Handel)
Joan Kovalchik, Pat Lloyd, and Laurel Sanders, flutes

COMMUNION HYMNS:

- ELW #472 -- *Eat this Bread*
- ELW #482 -- *I Come with Joy*



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

C:

Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done. Let
ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re - joice and bear the name of Christ.
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.

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C: Amen.

P: O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. As you send us into the world, guard us from the power of evil, keep us in unity with all your people, and by your Spirit move us to testify to your grace in our words and actions; 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 *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*.....ELW #543

A: Go in peace; serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude *Fugue in a minor*.....Pachelbel



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Grace Lutheran

Announcements for the Week of Sunday, August 12, 2018

The August selection for the **GARDEN OF READIN'** (women's book club) is *Before We Were Yours* by Lisa Wingate. This is the selection of Joyce Snider and she will be facilitating the discussions Tuesday, August 21 at 10:30 am in the Stinson Library and 6:00 pm in Fireside.

REMINDER...Pastor Lynn begins retirement Sept. 1st, but he is taking vacation through August.

August 10, 1968... marked the day Chuck and Susan Martin shared their marriage vows at Grace when they were students at Penn State. Today on their 50th anniversary they renew their wedding vows after the 10:30 service.

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!

ACOLYTES NEEDED...We are looking to expand our roster of acolytes for all services. The commitment is typically one service per month and we work around your family schedule. It is also a great way to involve kids in the worship service. Please contact Stephanie Fozard at steph@fozards.com if interested.

THE SPECIAL FLORAL ARRANGEMENT ON THE ORGAN ...is given by Sharon Jodon in celebration of her mother's 90th birthday.

Lutheran Fall Festival

Saturday, September 22, 2018

Legion Park, Hollidaysburg

Vendors, Food, Music

Festival Hours: 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.
Dinner from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Candlelight Worship at 6:30 p.m.

The Festival is FREE

Dinner Tickets are \$10

Dinner provided by Holland Bros.

Please pick up an order form at the Welcome Center



Worship Assistants for Sunday, August 12, 2018

	8:00 A.M.	9:00 A.M.	10:30 A.M.
Lectors		Chuck & Susan Martin	Linda Schul
Greeters	Carla Rossi	Greg & Susan Ferro	Leslie Elder Helen Brenneman Dick Brenneman
Acolytes		Abby Fozard Carter Fozard	Sophia Bills Mirabella Bills
Deacons	Nancy Reinert	Mardi McDonough Nick Downs	Sophia Bills Brian Bills
Worship Assistant	Leonard Ellenberger	Rachel Wolkenhauer	Rachel Wolkenhauer
Cantor		Laurel Sanders	Terry Roof
Ushers		Carl Bankert Sally Keiser-Bankert Ken Fogleman Don Coine Greg Kewitt	Karl Hosterman Brandon Hosterman Chris Hollobaugh Mike Schmidt
Radio Ministry; Sound			Lester Griel Jr.
Coffee Hour Hosts 10:00-10:30 a.m.			Paul and Leslie Wagner
Welcoming Center Hosts		Linda Domin	Sally Keiser-Bankert



The *altar flowers* are sponsored by Chuck and Susan Martin
Dedicated in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary

This morning's *bulletin* is sponsored by Don and Deana Coine
Dedicated in memory of Deana's parents Herman & Erma Shultz

Today's *radio broadcast* on WRSC - 1390 AM is sponsored anonymously

PRAYER CONCERNS for August 12, 2018

All Military & Nat'l Guard and those serving in war-torn Countries
 Sam Alexander
 Susan Antle
 Dave Asencio
 Dick Burke
 Scott Cocolin
 Sara Cocolin
 Paul & Lois Confer & family, friends of Phil Vollmer
 Cathy Cutter's parents
 Winnie Deppen
 Pastor Dowhower
 Norm Fischer
 Sue Forster
 Rich Gamble, father of Holly Stoltzfus
 Vicki Garvin
 Herb & Nancy Graves
 Jennifer Griel
 Barbara Hackenberry's daughter
 Sherry Harrington
 Donna Pedersen Hershey
 niece of Gina Leon

Skylar Hill
 Shaun Hintosh
 Lenore Horner
 Sadie Hounshell, friend of the Davis'
 Betty Houts
 Michael William Kebble
 Curtis Krebs, brother of Sandy Cassady
 Pete Krewson, father of Erin Tusar
 Jim Leslie
 Larry Kuhns
 Paul Lloyd
 Phil Lucas
 Sam & Julia McCracken
 Jo Anne Miller
 Bobby Misher
 Al Musgrave
 Amy Nevling
 Maryann Newcomb
 Scott Rearick—Sally & Carl's friend
 Kristin(Palmgren)Roman & family
 Lisa Sell

Victoria Smith
 William Snape, Sr., brother of Phyllis Favorite
 Marlowe Stiger
 Jack Sylves, grandson of Tom and Marge Eakin
 Scott Swackhammer, nephew of Karen & Mark Mrsa
 Lisa Thomas—Sally & Carl's friend
 Tammy Jo Trinadad
 Karen Tupman, Phyllis Favorite's cousin
 Greg Weimer
 Ross Weimer, Greg Weimer's Father
 Ben Whisler
 Kathleen Wolfhope, friend of the Flanagan family

Members in the hospital

Rachel Griel
 Jacob and Jackson Leidy
 Mark Mrsa



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 Rachel Griel.



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.*

Please pray for our Youth and Family ministry leaders as they plan curriculum and activities for the upcoming program year.



Swim Night

Please join us for our annual Grace Lutheran Swim Night at Welch Pool on **Friday August 24th, 8-10 p.m.** All members, and friends are welcome to attend. We ask that you bring a snack to share

School Supplies for Lutheran World Relief

When you buy school supplies, why not buy a few more to help fill a school kit for Lutheran World Relief? Comfort Makers are busy sewing backpacks and still have kits available in the Upper Commons if you can help sew one or two. Middle School and High School students will be filling the school kits as a mission project this fall. The following school supplies are needed.

For one backpack:

- Four 70 sheet notebooks of wide or college-ruled, approximately 8 x 10 ½ “, no loose leaf paper.
- One 30 centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- *One pencil sharpener
- One blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- Five, unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band)
- Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons
- One 2 ½ “ eraser

You may leave your donations in the designated basket in the Upper Commons.





Grace's Faith Formation Ministries is sponsoring a Summer Reading Challenge here at Grace for both children and adults. Earn prizes while exploring the Bible this summer!!!! Options exist for Pre & Early Readers as well as Advanced Readers. The Pre-readers & Early Readers will be working their way through the *Jesus Storybook Bible* while reading 4 stories a week. Advanced Readers (children & adults) will be reading the Gospel of Mark averaging 1 – 2 chapters a week. Challenge Guides are available in the Narthex and the Church Office . *Jesus Storybook Bibles* will be provided for those who select that option. The challenge runs from now through – August 26.



GRACE GARDEN GIVEAWAY

Throughout the summer there is a table in the Garner Street side of the narthex for vegetables, fruits or flowers from the gardens of Grace members. Also, feel free to take any produce that has been donated. Thanks to both the givers and receivers.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH SOFTBALL SCHEDULE FOR JULY

Date	Home	Visitor	Field	Time
8/13	Calvary Baptist	GLC	Hess 4	6:30PM

Come out and support the team!

Sunday morning sponsorships

Thank you to all who have signed up to sponsor the altar flowers, bulletins or radio broadcast. To help you and the church office keep track of your payment for the sponsorships, please take an envelope located in the niche at the sign up sheets to remind you of the date you selected and the amount due Grace Lutheran by your sponsorship date. A new procedure was implemented effective July 1, 2018 that if payment has not been received by the church office by the sponsorship date, a friendly reminder will be sent the following week to the person(s) who signed up to be a sponsor. If you feel you have received the friendly reminder in error, please by all means contact the church office (238-2478; churchoffice@glcpa.org) so we can straighten out the matter.

Thank you

*This Week
At Grace*

Sunday, Aug 12

8:00 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.....Confirmation Parent Meeting, Library
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, Aug 13

6:30 p.m.....GLC Softball, Hess Field

Tuesday, Aug 14

6:00p.m.....Church Council Meeting,.Fireside

Wednesday, Aug 15

No scheduled church activities

Thursday, Aug 16

Bulletin Announcements due at 9 AM
No scheduled church activities

Friday, Aug 17

6:00 p.m.....Pastor Lynn's retirement celebration

Saturday, Aug 18

No scheduled church activities