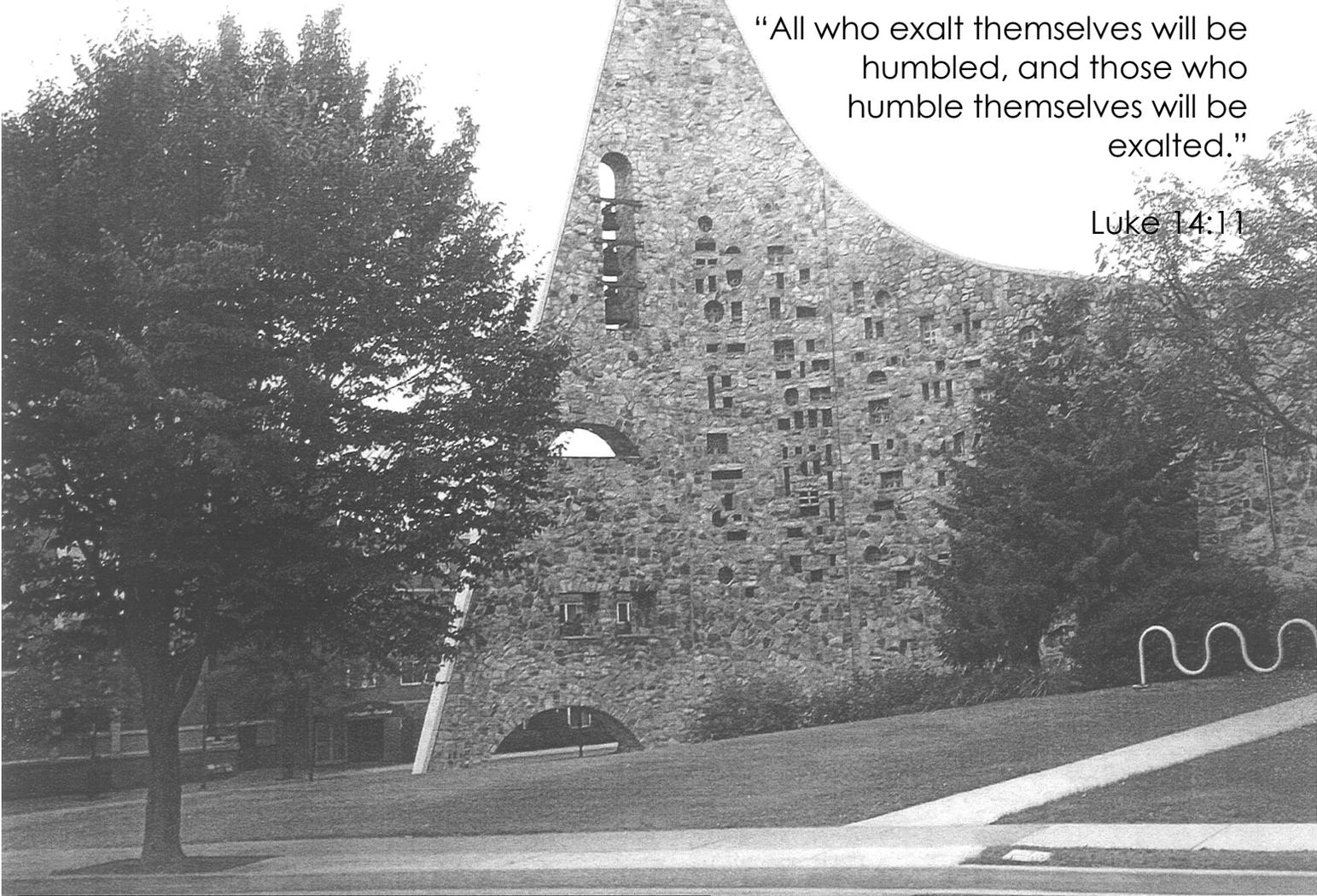


# Welcome to **GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

A congregation of the ELCA

"All who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

Luke 14:11



**SUNDAY, September 1, 2019**  
**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

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

**Today's Hymns**

**#ELW 532**

**#ELW 522**

**#ELW 547**

**Distribution**

**#ELW 479**

**#ELW 462**



**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...**Invited and inviting—that is the nature of the church. By God's grace in holy baptism we have a place at the banquet table of the Lord. When, by the power of that same Spirit, humility and mutual love continue among us, the church can be more inviting still.

**ABOUT THE LESSONS....** **The First Lesson:** The book of Proverbs is part of a collection of writings known as wisdom literature. Wisdom literature gave directions to Israel's leaders and people for the conduct of daily life. Today's reading is about humility. **The Second Lesson:** The conclusion of the letter to the Hebrews contains suggestions for the conduct of a holy life, all of which are shaped by God's love toward us in Jesus Christ. **The Gospel Lesson:** Jesus observes guests jockeying for position at the table. He uses the opportunity to teach his hearers to choose humility rather than self-exaltation. Jesus also makes an appeal for hosts to mimic God's gracious hospitality to the poor and the broken.

### 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.glcpc.org](http://www.glcpc.org)

Thank you for supporting the ministries of Grace Lutheran!

↑ = Please stand as you are able

↓ = Please be seated

### Follow Grace on Social Media

Facebook:  
[www.facebook.com/glcstatecollege](http://www.facebook.com/glcstatecollege)

Twitter:  
[@GraceLCPA](https://twitter.com/GraceLCPA)

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

### 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.

# Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church - State College, Pennsylvania

PRELUDE *Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now*.....G. Böhm  
*All Are Welcome*.....arr. L. Trapp

## 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 *Gather Us In*.....ELW # 532

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*

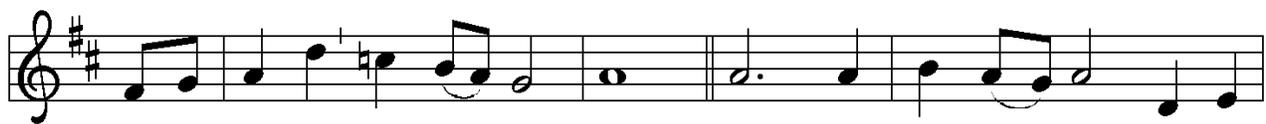
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

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



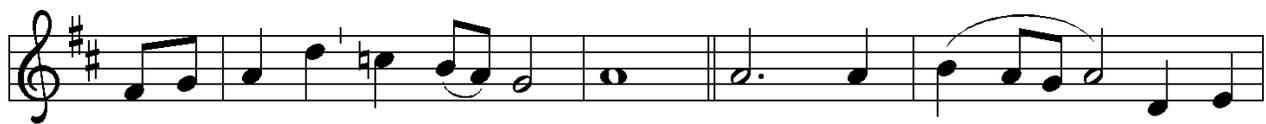
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



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: O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of 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 & 10:30) CHILDREN’S MESSAGE .....Peter Horn

*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.....Proverbs 25:6-7(pew Bible p. 530)

<sup>6</sup>Do not put yourself forward in the king’s presence  
or stand in the place of the great;

<sup>7</sup>for it is better to be told, “Come up here,”  
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

PSALM 112—*Please sing responsively from the selected verses.*



P: Hallelujah! Happy are they who | fear the LORD  
and have great delight in | God’s commandments!

**C: Light shines in the darkness | for the upright;  
the righteous are merciful and full | of compassion.**

P: It is good for them to be gener- | ous in lending  
and to manage their af- | fairs with justice.

**C: For they will nev- | er be shaken;  
the righteous will be kept in everlast- | ing remembrance.**

P: They will not be afraid of any | evil rumors;  
their heart is steadfast, trusting | in the LORD.

**C: Their righteousness stands | fast forever;  
they will hold up their | head with honor.**

SECOND LESSON.....Hebrews 13:1-6 (pew Bible p. 979)

<sup>1</sup>Let mutual love continue. <sup>2</sup>Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. <sup>3</sup>Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. <sup>4</sup>Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. <sup>5</sup>Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, “I will never leave you or forsake you.” <sup>6</sup>So we can say with confidence,

“The Lord is my helper;  
I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?”



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 14:1, 7-14 (pew Bible p. 849)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 14th chapter.

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

<sup>1</sup>On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

<sup>7</sup>When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. <sup>8</sup>“When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; <sup>9</sup>and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. <sup>10</sup>But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. <sup>11</sup>For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

<sup>12</sup>He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. <sup>13</sup>But when you give

a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. <sup>14</sup>And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

↓ SERMON.....Pastor Schul

↑ HYMN OF THE DAY *As We Gather at Your Table*.....ELW # 522

### 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 *Now We Join in Celebration*.....arr. W. Wold

↑ 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.

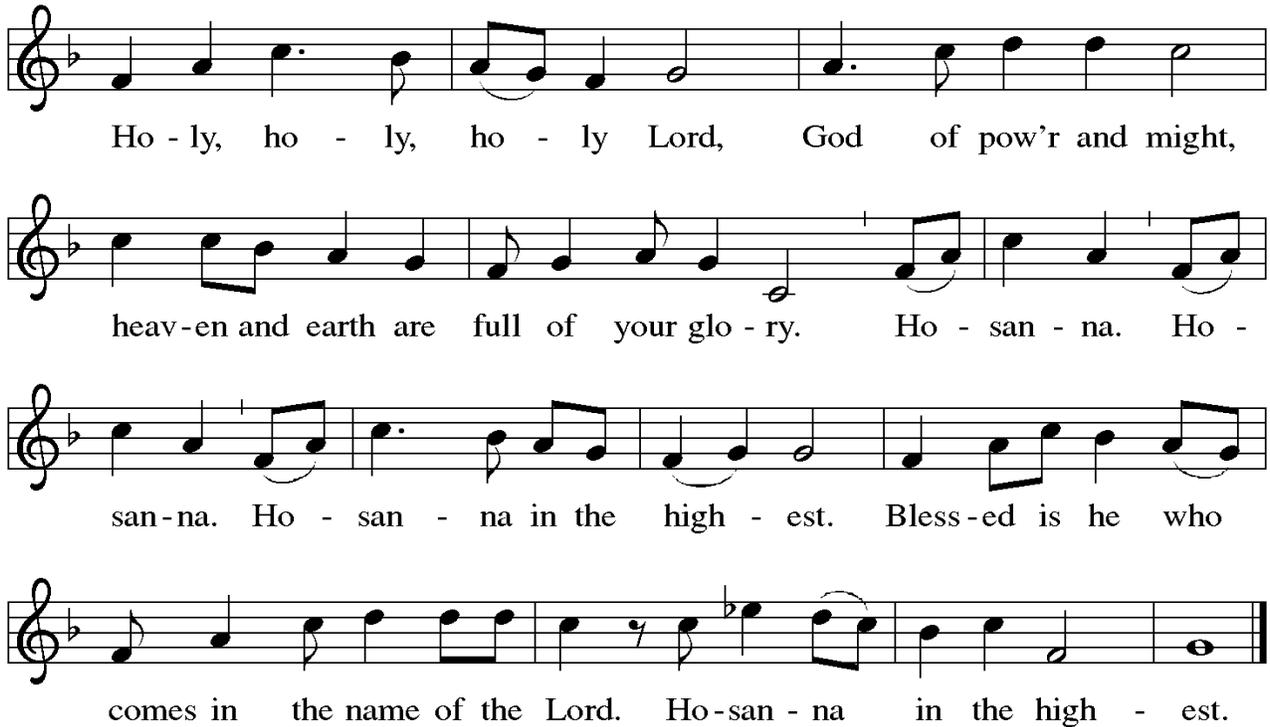


**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**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 # 479 -- *We Come to the Hungry Feast*

ELW # 462 -- *Now We Join in Celebration*

↑ **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 *Prelude in G (BWV 541)*.....J.S. Bach



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- Ryan Ditmer, Pat Lloyd, June Miller & Chris Wilhelm.....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, September 01, 2019

**THE RED ROSE ON THE ALTAR...**is in celebration of the birth of a baby girl to Brian & Megan Widener. Charlotte Noelle was born on August 25, 2019 and joins big sister Rosie.

**LECTORS...**The October 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!

**WOMEN OF GRACE NAOMI CIRCLE...**will meet on Tuesday Sept. 3 at 1:00 p.m. in the Stinson Library. Please join us on Tuesday if you are interested in a circle; we welcome new members. For information contact Carolyn Fishburn, 814-238-3907.

The September selection for **Garden of Readin'** (women's book club) is *The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency* by Alexander McCall Smith. This is the selection of Lois Lynn and she will be facilitating the discussions, Tuesday, September 17, at 10:30 am in the Stinson Library and 6:00 pm in Fireside. EVERYONE is welcome!!

**MEN'S BOOK CLUB...** will meet Sept 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library to discuss the book "*Hatchet*" by Gary Paulsen.

**EACH YEAR, OUR DENOMINATION, THE ELCA,** encourages us to come together to as the church to serve the world on "God's Work, Our Hands Sunday." This year our Nittany Conference ELC A congregations will be banding together for an all-ages event on **September 15, 2019 at the Oaks in Pleasant Gap at 2:30 pm.** Our young ones will learn a song to share with residents followed by a craft time with them. The day will also include outdoor cleanup work and indoor serving for those who work best indoors. Our time will conclude at 4:30 pm. In order to create a unified appearance, please wear bright yellow that day! Sign up is not necessary but helps us plan. Please use the sign up sheet in the Welcome Center or email Pastor Hetrick at [pastorhetrick@glcpa.org](mailto:pastorhetrick@glcpa.org).

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS...**Church on the Mountain is next week rain or shine Please join us at Tussey Mountain ski lodge on the patio weather permitting or inside if not, for an 11:00 am church services followed by a picnic lunch and activities. We will provide the main course and everyone is ask to provide a side dish to share. Volunteers are needed for set-up and clean-up. Please contact Joyce Arbutina at [joycearb@comcast.net](mailto:joycearb@comcast.net) if you can help.

*Handbells* ring praises to our Lord!

**The Bells of Grace** handbell choir is seeking two ringers—teens, college students, or adults--to complete our roster for the fall 2019 season of ringing. We rehearse in the sanctuary on Sundays, following the 10:30 AM service. Requirements: Ability to read music, and a sense of humor helps. Our first rehearsal this fall will be Sunday, Sept. 15 in the sanctuary at 11:45 AM. Come join us as we ring praises to the Lord! Contact Anna Carol Buffington, Director of the Bells of Grace, at 814-531-4242 or [acbuffington@yahoo.com](mailto:acbuffington@yahoo.com).

## Worship Assistants for Sunday, September 1, 2019

|                                               | 8:00 A.M.         | 9:00 A.M.                                                                                          | 10:30 A.M.                                                                                               |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Lectors</b>                                | Dennis Snider     | Chuck & Susan Martin                                                                               | Brian Christian                                                                                          |
| <b>Greeters</b>                               | June Krumrine     | Gerry Slear<br>Michael Conron                                                                      | Gerry Slear<br>Carolyn Fishburn                                                                          |
| <b>Acolytes</b>                               |                   | Jacob Fritz<br>Caitlin Knowles                                                                     | Sophia Bills<br>Mirabella Bills                                                                          |
| <b>Deacons</b>                                | Cindy Nicosia     | Carl Bankert<br>Sally Keiser-Bankert                                                               | Lois & Bob Voigt                                                                                         |
| <b>Worship Assistant</b>                      | Lenny Ellenberger |                                                                                                    |                                                                                                          |
| <b>Cantor</b>                                 |                   | Peter Horn                                                                                         | Peter Horn                                                                                               |
| <b>Ushers</b>                                 |                   | Dennis McClure<br>John Palmgren<br>Dave Huebner<br>Shar Huebner<br>Anne Rohrbach<br>Aaron Rohrbach | Don Burris<br>Bonnie Burris<br>Ted Oyler<br>Trey Oyler<br>Linlee Oyler<br>Ellen Campbel<br>Matt Campbell |
| <b>Radio Ministry;<br/>Sound</b>              |                   |                                                                                                    | Lester Griel III                                                                                         |
| <b>Coffee Hour Hosts<br/>10:00-10:30 a.m.</b> |                   |                                                                                                    | Joyce Arbutina                                                                                           |
| <b>Welcoming Center<br/>Hosts</b>             |                   | Linda Domin                                                                                        | Sharyn Everhart                                                                                          |



The *altar flowers* are sponsored by Anne & Dave Guss  
dedicated in honor of Bob Kreidler's birthday

This morning's *bulletin* is sponsored by Don & Deana Coine  
dedicated in memory of Don's mother Sandra Hipple Paules

Today's *radio broadcast* on WRSC - 1390 AM is sponsored Marian & Winnie Deppen  
dedicated in honor their 71st wedding anniversary

## PRAYER CONCERNS for September 1, 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  
Norma Flanagan, mother of  
Jim Flanagan  
Kyoko Fujisawa, sister of  
Hiroshi Ohmoto  
Vicki Garvin  
Elaine Gotham, friend of  
Leslie Wagner  
Herb Graves  
Dick Houtz  
Fiona Knowles  
Chris Kohlhepp, friend of  
Sally & Carl  
Larry Kuhns  
Phil Lucas  
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  
Margaret Schrock, mother of  
Kathy Weimer  
Nancy Schuchert, mother of  
Joe Schuchert  
John Shinham, friend of  
Sandy & Paul Larson  
Ken Shultz  
William D. Snape Sr., brother  
of Phyllis Favorite  
Emily & Charlotte Spearly  
Paul Spearly, uncle of  
Sheri Rider  
Jack Sylves and family and  
grandparents Tom and Marj  
Eakin

Christopher Ta  
Tracy, friend of Carl Bankert &  
Sally Keiser-Banert  
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  
Mike Waite & family upon  
the death of Mike's mother  
Lynn Hochrein  
Brenda Walsh  
Sue Washburn, in-law of  
Tom Drake  
Marie Weimer, mother of  
Greg & Kathy Weimer  
Ash Woskob

**Members in the hospital**  
Megan and Charlotte Widener



### 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 Marion & Winnie Deppen**



*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.*

**Pray this week for the Holy Spirit to open your eyes and heart to the surprising places where God is actively working, and ask the Spirit to inspire you to be part of what God is doing.**

## Allegheny Synodical Women's Organization Presents Day of Renewal – Refresh, Relax, Recharge

The Day of Renewal will be on Saturday, September 28, 2019 at the Altoona Grand Hotel, on Plank Road. Scheduled sessions will include four breakout sessions to help you renew your body, mind, and spiritual life and activities may include massage, crafts, exercise, make up, and fashion. Our keynote speaker, Pastor Susan Winger, will speak on Spiritual Refreshment. The Day of Renewal will begin at 9:00am go to 3:00pm. **Deadline for registration is September 7, 2019.** A noon meal will be included. Registration forms will be located in the church office and the cost is \$8.00. Dress is casual. For information contact Susan Ferro, at 814-237-8756 or [ferro71@comcast.net](mailto:ferro71@comcast.net).

### 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](mailto:sallykb@verizon.net) or 814-571-3672. Thank you!

### Centre Safe Volunteer Advocate Program

Our trained advocates continue the services of our day staff to provide hotline counseling and in-person support to victims of domestic and sexual violence, stalking and teen dating violence. The training program meets every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 6p until 9p at our State College office; we will not meet on Halloween or during the week of Thanksgiving. Our crisis hotline is the first point of contact for the majority of our clients and we need to have a robust volunteer program to ensure competent, continuous service for our neighbors in crisis.

More information is available at [centresafe.org](http://centresafe.org) or by emailing Dee Hall at [mhall@centresafe.org](mailto:mhall@centresafe.org)

Deadline to apply: Wednesday Sept 4, 2019

**Become a volunteer and support survivors of abuse in your community**

## **CROP Walk Coin Banks: More Than Just Spare Change.**

Once again this year, we are offering coin banks to collect money for the State College CROP Walk, to held at Grace on October 13<sup>th</sup>. Banks are located in a basket in the commons area.

Hunger is a reality not only globally but within our own country where it is estimated that 1 in 6 Americans suffer from a lack of food. What can we do to help? Here is how one family uses a coin bank to help ease hunger:

“We were concerned that our children be brought up feeling close to the problems faced by people in other countries. As a result, once a week our family has one supper that excludes meat, fish, milk and dessert. Our meal may be a starch and a vegetable, rice with a little egg or broth with bread. We each put money into a globe bank, accumulating this for a nutrition project to alleviate malnourishment among the world’s poor.”

-excerpted from **Living More With Less**  
by Doris Janzen Longacre

Please use this bank and join us in helping to feed the hungry.

**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](mailto:lsanders@glcpa.org) or call Roy Evert, head sexton, at 238-2478 to discuss the position.

## **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.



## The Opioid Crisis: Seeking a Faithful Response

Gettysburg Campus of United Lutheran Seminary

November 8-9, 2019

Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. & Saturday, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

**Event registration \$75.00 Optional \$10.00 on-campus lunch on Friday**

The Opioid Epidemic is something that touches all of our ministries. This Symposium will offer opportunity to learn about addiction, how to be a pastoral presence for those experiencing addiction and their loved ones. Opportunity for discussion around shared pastoral care and ministry programming planning will help shape ministry with those touched by opioid addiction.

Presenters:

Grace Member **Jason Whitney**, Program Coordinator and co-founder of the Penn State Collegiate Recovery Community and an assistant teaching professor in the College of Education.

**Angela Cook**, a recovery advocate and speaker and Outreach Coordinator for Medard's House, a faith-based Children's Community Center in New Cumberland.

**Dr. John Largen, Rev. Joel Richter, Dr. Bob Skelly, Dr. Patricia Savage, Mrs. Barb Debski, Dr. Eric Crump, and Bishop Matthew Riegel**

Workshop Topics: Pastoral Care, Social Ministry, and Theological Response.

For more information and registration:

[www.unitedlutheranseminary.edu/lifelong-learningThe Opioid Crisis:](http://www.unitedlutheranseminary.edu/lifelong-learningThe Opioid Crisis:)

### 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!



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 sponsor Pastor Hetrick and Carla Rossi as they go "Over the Edge" to represent Grace, visit:

[https://give.overtheedge.events/31WD34?ref=ab\\_b8Dx54\\_ab\\_c7Plyc](https://give.overtheedge.events/31WD34?ref=ab_b8Dx54_ab_c7Plyc)



*This Week  
At Grace*

**Sunday, Sept. 1**

- 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
- 11:45 a.m.....College Student Lunch, Fireside
- 4:00 p.m.....Psalm 151 Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 6:00 p.m.....Casual Worship w/ Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m.....QNA (Questions-Not Answers) Group, Library

**Monday, Sept. 2**

**Labor Day**

**Church Office Closed**

**No scheduled church activities**

**Tuesday, Sept. 3**

- 9:30 a.m.....Staff Meeting, Fireside
- 1:00 p.m.....Women of Grace Naomi Circle, Library
- 5:30 p.m.....Executive Committee, Meeting, Pastor Schul's Office
- 7:00 p.m.....Helping Hands, Fireside

**Wednesday, Sept. 4**

**Bulletin Announcements due at 3 PM**

- 4:00 p.m.....Stephen Ministry Supervision, Library
- 7:30 p.m.....Adult Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

**Thursday, Sept. 5**

- 7:00 a.m.....Women's Breakfast Prayer Group, Waffle Shop North
- 5:30 p.m.....Finance Committee, Work Room

**Friday, Sept. 6**

**No scheduled church activities**

**Saturday, Sept. 7**

- 8:00 a.m.....Car Parking, Fund Raiser