

# GOOD NEWS FROM GRACE

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**MARCH 18 & 19, 2017**

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE** (through Memorial Day)

**Saturday** – 5:00 pm      **Sunday** - 8:30 am & 10:45 am

**MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES**

1:00 & 7:00 pm

**OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY** go out to the family of Judy Haxton who died on March 14. Judy was the wife of Jim, and mother of Heather (Bill) Smith, and Holly (John Teal). May they be comforted with hope of eternal life.

**OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY** go out to the family of Brooklyn Story. *“Brooklyn Rose Story, precious baby girl of Austin and Natalie (Maniacci) Story, was born into the arms of the angels on March 12, 2017.”* Brooklyn’s grandparents are Erin & Brian Skolaski, Joe & Gerri Story (great grand-parents.) May they be comforted with the hope of eternal life.

**BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC—THIS SUNDAY, MARCH 19-9:30 AM**

Parish Nurses Pat Jeske and Donna Stone will hold a blood pressure clinic at Grace Lutheran on Sunday, March 19 between services. Stop by, get your blood pressure taken, and say hello to Pat & Donna. They are very excited to get our new Parish Nursing Ministry going. If you would like to talk to either Pat or Donna, please call the church office (715) 453-4066.

## Youth News

- **MIDDLE SCHOOL Youth Night - Saturday, March 25 - 5:00 pm**  
We will attend the church service and have pizza afterward.
- **FAMILY SERVICE TRIPS BY YOUTHWORKS**  
Margie (Director of Youth & Young Adults) is currently working on putting together a summer trip for those families that are interested. Date & destination choices need to be made. A mailing will be sent soon and you can also check out the Youth Bulletin board in the Gathering Area. Destination choices are: **Madison** or **Superior** Wisconsin. Dates for Madison June 18 - 21, and June 25 - 28. Dates for Superior include: June 18 - 21, June 22 - 25, and June 25 - 28. Please call Margie at (715) 966-5497, (715) 453-5797 or email [4welkes@gmail.com](mailto:4welkes@gmail.com) with questions of preferences.

**GARDENING WORKSHOP - THURSDAY MARCH 23 – 6:00 PM** in Fellowship Hall at Grace Lutheran Church. Our focus will be on Early Blight and Companion Planting The workshop will be put on by Dan Marzu from the Lincoln County UW extension. Refreshments will be provided by the Garden of Giving Ministry.

**TWELFTH ANNUAL CHURCH LADIES’ DINER-APRIL 8 & 9!**

It’s almost time for the Church Ladies’ Diner at the annual WJQ Home, Sport and Travel Show. This year’s proceeds will go to Lekubu’s Creche, Education & More Mission Building, and renovation of Reiff Hall. This has been possible only through the tremendous support of the people of Grace Lutheran Church. It has truly been a team effort. This year, we are again asking for your help. There are many ways to get involved. Sign-up sheets are available in the Gathering Area listing specific needs. Thanks so much for your participation in this mission. **Don’t forget to come to the Diner to enjoy baked goods, Margie’s famous hot beef sandwiches and Al’s brats! YUMMY!**

**DEEPENING FAITH USING LUTHER’S SMALL CATECHISM – Wednesdays at 1:00 & 7:00**

During these 40 days of Lent each Wednesday Lent worship will use Martin Luther’s Catechism. This week Confession of sin is based on the first two of the Ten Commandments, sermon on Luther’s emphasis on Baptism, Creed is the explanation to the First Article, and the prayer is Luther’s explanation of the second and third petitions of the prayer Jesus taught. Soup is served at 11:30 and 5:30.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for the Wednesday evening 7:00 PM service on March 29.** Our Confirmation students who usually handle this are on spring break. Please call or email the church office to help with this: (715) 453-4066 or [dhetzl@gracetomahawk.org](mailto:dhetzl@gracetomahawk.org)

**MINISTRY FAIR – APRIL 29/30 – Stay tuned for details!**

**GRACE VISIT TO GREATER GALILEE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

**Saturday-Sunday - May 6-7 - Milwaukee**

Please contact the Church Office to register your interest. This form is available on our website or stop by the office. Saturday will be activities with Greater Galilee to both experience and also hear their story of faith and life in the central city area of Milwaukee and as an African-American. Sunday we attend Sunday School and Worship at Greater Galilee. This visit is a profound way to experience and be church as we walk together and build relationships across denominations, ethnic groups, and geographic locations. Greater Galilee is a member of the National Baptist Convention and American Baptist Churches USA

**THE SHACK**

There are several copies of this book in the Gathering Area. If you would like to purchase one please place your money in the envelope tucked inside each book. You can either drop it in the offering plate or bring it to the office. Cost is \$7.50 each. We have been told by the Tomahawk Cinema that the movie will be coming to Tomahawk but at this time they do not have an exact date.

**LENTEN SOUP MEALS**

**Would you enjoy a warm bowl of soup and friendly conversation?** Grace Lutheran has the best chefs in town and will be serving tasty soup meals prior to the midweek church service. Please join us at 11:30 am or 5:30 pm. All are welcome. Bring a friend! **Kitchen workers**, please plan to stay until cleanup is completed – many hands make the work go faster so everyone can attend the church service.

*The Fellowship Committee*

**SPEICAL OFFERING FOR MARCH**—The special offering for March is for the campership fund for ALL Grace youth in grades 1-8 to attend **Crossways' Waypost Camp July 9-14**. Many claim a week at Bible Camp as the greatest faith experience in their life and many others as the best week of summer. Prayer partners, consider sponsoring your partner. Designate your gift in his/her name. Adults, please think of the future generation of the church and support the youth who will experience what you loved so much as a child!

OUR FINANCIAL PICTURE  
2017

	Feb. 2017	Needed for	RECEIPTS	ACTUAL	RECEIPTS
JANUARY	Receipts	Budget	vs BUDGET	SPENDING	vs SPENDING
General Fund	\$27,513	\$31,357	(\$3,844)	\$25,528	\$1,985
Building Fund	\$4,684	\$5,076	(\$392)	\$5,076	(\$392)
Total	\$32,197	\$36,433	(\$4,236)	\$30,604	\$1,593
		YTD		YTD	YTD
YEAR-TO-DATE	Receipts	Needed for	DIFFERENCE	ACTUAL	RECEIPTS
		Budget		SPENDING	vs SPENDING
General Fund	\$54,210	\$62,715	(\$8,505)	\$52,554	\$1,656
Building Fund	\$10,314	\$10,152	\$162	\$10,512	\$162
Total	\$64,524	\$72,866	(\$8,342)	\$62,706	\$1,818

**Weekly**

**Financial News:**

General Fund: \$3869.00 Lent: \$340.00 Noisy Collection: \$54.37  
Sunday Attendance: 209 Wednesday Attendance: 101

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**— Lent is a contemplative forty-day period of time in the Church Year set aside for the Christian to reflect on his/her sin and unworthiness before the Lord and then to wonder at the grace of God Who gave His only begotten Son to die to atone for that sin and place upon us His righteousness that we might, through His grace, be made worthy. Stewardship is our response to God’s amazing and abundant grace showered upon us through Jesus. May we be prompted to live lives worthy of the sacrifices that both God and Jesus made for all people. Let us declare the praises of Him, *“who called [us] out of darkness into His marvelous light.”* (1 Peter 2:9).

**ATTENTION Thrivent Account Holders!**

If you own a Thrivent account/product you are most likely entitled to Thrivent Choice Dollars. This means you can designate your Choice Dollars to Grace Lutheran or any other registered organization. You may do this online when you log into your Thrivent account or you can call 1-800-847-4836. There is a deadline of **March 31<sup>st</sup>** to designate your Dollars. Other registered organizations are: Our Sisters’ House, Lincoln Humane Society, and more. Just ask the operator to read them to you. **If you choose Grace Lutheran as the recipient of your Dollars** and you would like your Dollars to go to a specific ministry, you must call the church office: **1)** the amount of your Dollars

**2)** the ministry you would like your Dollars to go to.

When we receive the Dollars from Thrivent, it is a lump sum; it is not an itemized list.