

# GOOD NEWS FROM GRACE

May 28 & 29, 2016

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Saturday** – 5:00 pm

**Sunday** - 8:30 am & 10:00 am Outdoor Service

**WELCOME TO GOD'S KINGDOM** Elyse Elizabeth Krueger Hirt! Elyse is being baptized this weekend at the 5:00 pm service. She is the daughter of Katherine & John Hirt and the granddaughter of John & Kari Krueger. Elyse's sponsors are: Joe Kraus & Stacie Peirpoint, Barbara & Chuck Peters.

**OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY** go out to the family of Leon Christiansen who died May 21<sup>st</sup>. Leon was the husband of Janice. May they be comforted with the hope of eternal life.

### WE'RE BACK!

We've been pretty busy! It's been a while since we've been able to set up our Fair Trade table for the congregation. **Fair Trade products will once again be offered for sale this weekend.** Remember, you can always purchase Fair Trade coffees, teas, and chocolates through the church office or any time from Margie Welke, Cathy Schmit, Patti Gaedtke, or Sherry Clements. Thanks for being so supportive of Grace's Fair Trade ministry! We are making a difference in people's lives.

### SUMMER OUTDOOR WORSHIP BEGINS!!!

This weekend is the first of our summer outdoor worships! Your help as Usher, Assisting Minister, Reader, Offering Delivery, Singer (individual, small group, large group), and Musician (guitar, piano, or any other instrument that can be used to lead music) is appreciated at any of the outdoor services. To volunteer, contact the church office (715)-453-4066 or Lisa Elliott(715) 551-7444. **You may also sign-up on the poster in the gathering space.**

### SUMMER STUDY 2016 - Join us in dwelling in God's Word and prayer!

Each week, from Memorial Day to Labor Day, the Grace Church Council invites you to dwell in God's Word and prayer! Please join us in attuning ourselves in listening to God, opening ourselves to others, and learning to anchor ourselves in God's mission and call!

#### Three steps:

1. **Invite one or two people to join you** in this reading, reflection, and prayer. Preferably choose people outside of your family.
2. **Meet for 45 minutes each week** to reflect on the reading and to pray. It is very important and helpful to spend at least 15 minutes in prayer.
3. **Keep notes**, if possible, of your reflections and prayer concerns. This will help you see the progress in your reflection and prayer time.

**When to meet:** This is up to you – whether 6:30 a.m. at the coffee shop, noon at work, or whenever.

**Procedure:** Each time you meet do the following:

- A. **Check in** (5-10 minutes): How's it going? What's going on? The conversations we naturally do.
- B. **Conversation on the reading** (20-25 minutes): There are specific questions for each week.
- C. **Prayer:** at least 15 minutes of prayer together

#### How to find people, guidance and support:

- There is much more information on the Grace website at [www.gracelutherantomahawk.org](http://www.gracelutherantomahawk.org)
- Call the church office with any questions or for suggestions of people with whom to meet.
- There will be a bookmark and a "Question & Answer" sheet in the bulletin and in the Gathering Space.

### SILENT QUILT AUCTION – NEW QUILT!!

The 58" x 75" quilt in the Gathering Space has been "finished" by the Tuesday morning quilters. The material was donated by the family of Doris Collins. Proceeds will go toward the purchase of an automatic door opener at Grace Lutheran. Please write your bid on the sheet provided.

**GRIEF SUPPORT** will resume on **Saturday, June 4 at 10:00 am** in the lounge at Grace. It will continue on Saturday mornings for six weeks. If you have questions, please call Mona Cannady at (715) 453-5017.

**AUTOMATIC DOOR OPENERS**

The PPP guys want to pursue installing automatic door openers at the entrance to the church. We need about \$1,400 more to complete the funding for this project. If you're interested in supporting this, please designate your offering to "Door Opener". We thank you for your support!

**RUTH CIRCLE** is again assembling Fabric Kits for Lutheran World Relief. This year the requirements are: three yard pieces of cotton fabric or cotton blend fabric, and 250-300 yards of matching thread. Your contributions would be greatly appreciated. Please leave them in the labeled box outside the office door.

**PEOPLE OF GRACE**—Do you look at the box in the bulletin regarding our financial picture? If you do, you will notice that giving is falling behind the monies needed to keep our budget balanced. Heading into summer, this is not a desirable position. Is your pledge up to date?

**MAY SPECIAL OFFERING - PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND**

As the title suggests, this fund is used for a large variety of needs and causes as determined by Pastor Mark. Some of these are unique needs of people which the Salvation Army cannot fulfill, such as gas money. Grace promises that money is never a reason to prevent a child or youth from attending a life-impacting or faith-building event, and this is the backup source. Occasionally a ministry, event, or activity comes up which was not planned at the budgeting time and yet is very valuable and timely to do.

Since Pastor Mark designates all his honorariums received for funerals and weddings into this fund, he uses it to show appreciation and thanks to the staff and to fund special causes beyond Grace, such as Wartburg Seminary. In examining various needs, the Stewardship Committee decided it was time to lift up the value and need for this fund. Occasionally, people have designated gifts for this fund, but there has been no special offering for it fund since 2006.

**BEN'S BLOOMERS/CERNY'S GIFT CARDS** are available after 5:00 pm service on Saturday and between services on Sunday.

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**— As faithful stewards, we acknowledge our responsibility and the opportunity to serve and honor God with our lives and blessings. Jesus shared the secret of living the fruitful life: *"If anyone would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will save it"* (Luke 9:23-24). It is only by giving ourselves in complete service to the Savior that we can find our true places in life and fill them.

<b>Our Financial Picture 2016</b>	Needed for Monthly Budget	April 2016 Receipts	<b><u>Difference</u></b>	<b>Weekly Financial News</b> General Fund: \$3,556.11 Noisy Collection: \$36.92 Attendance: 225
General Fund	30,858.21	23,417.76	<b>(7,440.45)</b>	
Building Fund	5,977.89	5,124.06	<b>(853.83)</b>	
Total	36,836.10	28,541.82	<b>(8,294.24)</b>	
<b>Year – To - Date</b>	Needed for Monthly Budget	2016	<b><u>Difference</u></b>	
General Fund	123,432.82	108,041.61	<b>(\$15,391.21)</b>	
Building Fund	23,911.56	20,135.41	<b>(\$3,776.15)</b>	
Total	147,344.38	128,177.02	<b>(\$19,167.36)</b>	

For more information or details on the Financial Report, please contact Sherry Clements, Financial Reporter.

**SNOWBIRD OFFERING ENVELOPES**

If you have returned to Tomahawk after being gone for the winter and have not received your offering envelopes, please visit or call the church office (715) 453-4066. Thank you.

May 28/29	5:00 pm	8:30 am	10:00 am Outdoor
<b>Acolytes</b>	Garrett Nelson	Amalie Kurth	
<b>Greeters</b>	Rose Hoff Bernice Mitchell	Tobias Family Marie Knipfer	Tom & Donna Stone
<b>Readers</b>	Rose Hoff	Mindy Gabrich	Lynn Brown
<b>Ushers</b>	Deb Tinker Dar Clements	George & Lynn Derleth Brett & Lane Beaumier	Tom & Donna Stone
<b>Nursery</b>		Brynn Beaumier	
<b>Assisting Ministers</b>	Mark Gaedtke		Shirley Derleth
<b>Communion Assistants</b>		Herb & Ruth Heyne	Mary Wilke
<b>Projection</b>	Don Tinker	Margie Welke	
<b>Altar Guild</b> Kathy Wolff Marcy Greil Melissa Hafeman	<b>Counters</b> Mary & Gil Wessel Kathy David	<b>Video Delivery</b> Stan Torkelson	<b>Projection Set-up</b> Bill Zorr

June 4/5	5:00 pm	8:30 am	10:00 am Outdoor
<b>Acolytes</b>	Cayden Johnson	Geena Wanta	
<b>Greeters</b>	Sherry Thompson Lynn Brown	Ed & Chris Raasch Dave & Cathy Schmit	Tom & Donna Stone
<b>Readers</b>	Nona Arthur	Chris Raasch	
<b>Ushers</b>	Dar Kluball Jeanette Lovsletten	Wick Family	Tom & Donna Stone
<b>Nursery</b>		Kaylie Svacina	
<b>Assisting Ministers</b>	Gail Wilson	Al Overhaug	
<b>Communion Assistants</b>		Margie Welke Al Overhaug	Mary Wilke
<b>Projection</b>	Jason Mielke	Zach Volz	
<b>Altar Guild</b> Judi Calhoun Paul Kurth Ken Kincaid	<b>Counters</b> Georgie Crass Sharon Reichert Dan Schuller	<b>Video Delivery</b> Harold & Audrey Pedersen	<b>Projection Set-up</b> Karen Torkelson