

GOOD NEWS FROM GRACE

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Praising God + Serving Others + Building Friendship

MARCH 10 & 11, 2018

WORSHIP SCHEDULE (through Memorial Day)

Sat. – 5:00 pm **Sun.** - 8:30 am - 10:45 am

OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY go out to the family of Dale Gaedtke who died March 5th. Dale was the father of Peggy (Todd) Schauer, and brother of Eve Gaedtke. May they be comforted with the hope of eternal life.

WELCOME EMILY ZASTROW!

Emily Zastrow is our new custodian. She began her duties this week. Our former custodian Colleen Yirsa had to resign for health reasons.

NORTHERN LIGHT VIA DE CRISTO WEEKEND – MARCH 15-18

With joy and thanksgiving please pray for Corky Burcalow, Darlene Henning, Dawn LeFevre and Marilyn Smith experiencing their first VDC weekend, and for Sherry Clements, Mark Gaedtke and Gail Wilson who are on the serving team. Pray for all “first-timers” and team to experience and grow in the wonder and transforming life of God’s love for us.

EASTER SERVICES – WE NEED YOU!

See the Easter Service Sign-up board in the Gathering Area or go to Sign Up Genius and sign up there. See the link on Grace’s web site.

SAVE THE DATE! GRACE LUTHERAN’S 125TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sunday, April 29, 2018

Worship - 10 am

Meal in Fellowship Hall - 11:30 am

Grace would like to invite all members to worship and a catered meal to celebrate our congregation’s 125th anniversary, Bishop Mansholt will be presiding.

A minimal fee will be charged to offset the meal cost. Sign up will begin mid-March in the gathering space and by calling the church office. More details will be forth coming. Save the date!

LAST CALL FOR SOUTH AFRICA – JULY 4-18

March 15 is the final deadline for the airline (total cost is \$1550 – airline plus in-country overnight and travel). We have two members from Grace Lutheran (Marie Stark & Pastor Mark), as well as 46 people from our Synod going on the trip to our synod’s companion the Western Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Southern Africa. Orientations have begun and our Bishop is in regular communication with the Western Diocese Bishop in preparations.

IF IT’S WEDNESDAY, IT’S SOUP DAY!

If you have been joining us every Wednesday, we thank you. If you have not, please plan on joining us this week and the remaining Wednesdays, for a bowl (or two) of soup made by the best chefs in town, members of Grace. **For the next two Wednesday evenings we will be welcoming our brothers and sisters in Christ from St. Mary’s.** There are still sign up slots available to help or donate items.

CHURCH LADIES DINER REOPENS APRIL 7 & 8!

Mark your calendars for the Church Ladies Diner to reopen April 7 & 8 at the annual WJJQ Home, Sport, and Travel Show. The Diner’s great success is only possible through the tremendous support of the people of Grace Lutheran. It is truly a team effort. Once again we are seeking your help. There are many way to get involved; setup, baking, serving, donating baked goods, soda, water, and of course coming to the Diner for lunch! You won’t be disappointed. **Margie will be whipping up her famous hot beef sandwiches; Al will be grilling brats,** and there will be delectable baked goods available for dessert. Sign-up sheets are in the Gathering Area. Proceeds will go to: South African Creche, Grace House maintenance, and Grace Church Debt Retirement.

KIDS NIGHT OUT –MARCH 23 – 6:00 TO 9:00 PM

We will have games crafts, movie, and snacks for you. The Group going to EYG in Houston this summer will be offering this event for the children. A minimum donation of \$5.00 per child would be appreciated.

Please register ahead of time so we can make plans for the event. Some of the youth are certified babysitters and we will have also adults to help. Call Margie at (715) 453-5797, (715) 966-5497 or the Church office at (715)453-4066

BREAD BRAIDS (Coffee Cakes) The EYG group still has a few bread braids (coffee cakes) left. These are really good! If you would like to purchase one, please contact Margie Welke, (715) 966-5497. All proceeds will the help the youth (EYG) group travel to Houston in July.

TUESDAY 9:30 AM BIBLE STUDY – CONTINUING

The Tuesday morning study continues this Tuesday, March 6 (we will skip March 20 & 27) studying the golden calf in Exodus 32-33. **The evening study on “The Shack” has concluded.** It will begin again in September on Parables of Jesus.

A COUPLE IDEAS – Building Utilization

As the Building Utilization Committee discusses ideas that are presented, we will communicate these items with the congregation to offer people an opportunity to share their opinions. We support these suggestions.

1. Move the Fellowship Hall piano to the NE corner of the room so it isn't against an outside wall.
2. Add shelves to the wooden coat racks in the meeting room. Hang the window treatments that were removed from the Fellowship Hall on the coat rack and also in front of the 'wilderness' bookcase in the corner so the area doesn't look so cluttered.

If you would like to share your input on these ideas, please contact a member of the Building Utilization Committee: Corky Burcalow, Sherry Clements, Patti Gaedtke, or Margie Welke

MIDWEEK LENT WORSHIP – SEE THE INSERT IN THIS BULLETIN

MARCH SPECIAL OFFERING—TAIV

What is TAIIV? It is the Tomahawk Area Interfaith Volunteers, a nonprofit volunteer organization that was originally formed by members of Grace Lutheran Church. This marks the 10 Year Anniversary for TAIIV as a charitable organization that helps seniors and/or disabled of all ages to live in the residence of their choice by providing volunteer services and some transportation as needed.

How You Can Help! Become a TAIIV VOLUNTEER to ensure all calls for our help and services can be answered. Volunteers decide what services they can provide as well as how many hours they would like to volunteer per week or month. TAIIV volunteer forms are in the office hallway or at the Senior Center. Make a DONATION to help fund our many services. To donate, please use the special offering envelope in the pew and mark it as Special Offering. CARE-RECIPIERS needing our services may be referred to TAIIV by calling the TAIIV office at (715) 453-8200 for a registration form. You will find more information on TAIIV in the Gathering Space and office hallway. You can purchase tickets to our TAIIV ANNUAL DINNER THEATER which will be Saturday, April 14, 2018 at Inshalla Country Club. This is our big fundraiser that is a fun community event. Donations for our raffle from businesses and local talent are appreciated.

STEWARDSHIP WEEKLY— We have entered the season of Lent. This penitential time in the church year offers more opportunities for the people to gather – all the people – regardless of age or ability, status or phase of life. Let us take advantage of our worship and fellowship opportunities – opportunities to be fed by Word and Sacrament. As we worship, corporately or privately, let us “rend [our] hearts” (Joel 2:13). Let us repent of our waywardness and self-centered attitudes. Let us say, “Spare Your people, O Lord” (Joel 2:17).

OUR FINANCIAL PICTURE
2018

	JAN 2018	Needed for	RECEIPTS	ACTUAL	RECEIPTS
	Receipts	Budget	vs BUDGET	SPENDING	vs SPENDING
JANUARY					
General Fund	\$29,627	\$36,852	(\$7,225)	\$26,008	\$3,619
Building Fund	\$3,445	\$5,076	(\$1,631)	\$5,076	(\$1,631)
Total	\$33,072	\$41,928	(\$8,856)	\$31,084	\$1,988
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YEAR-TO-DATE	Receipts	Budget		SPENDING	vs SPENDING
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Weekly Financial News
<u>General Fund</u> (Including Lent) \$7,051.78
<u>Noisy Collection</u> \$70.59
<u>Attendance</u> 251 - Sat./Sun. 138 - Weds .

March 10/11	5:00 pm	8:30 am (Contemporary)	10:45 am
Acolytes	Garrett Nelson	Geena Wanta	Haley Liebelt
Greeters	Peggy Price Sherry Thompson	John/Kari Krueger Bill/Arlene Strand	Andy/Luann Kiander
Readers	Karen Olson	Renee Rasch	Nancy Herbison
Ushers	Georgeanne Crass John Kromm	Renee Raasch John & Kari Krueger	Steve/Greg Heikkinen
Nursery		Child of God	Child of God
Assisting Ministers	Gail Wilson	Al Overhaug	Nancy Herbison
Communion Assistants		Child of God Eric Anderson	
Projection	Jason Mielke	Nichole Scholz	Kam Olson
Altar Guild Georgie Crass Rita Hilgendorf Heather Niede	Counters Linda Pashek Bob LaNou Julie Dentler	Video Delivery Al Overhaug	Projection Jackie Leonhard

March 17/18	5:00 pm	8:30 am	10:45 am
Acolytes	Megan Miles	Serena Reinke	Aiden Schreiner
Greeters	Darwin Kluball Dar Clements	Terry & Sarah Mann Family	Jodi/Emily Decker
Readers	Dar Kluball	Marie Stark	Dan Schuller
Ushers	Ron Lueneberg Dave Dettmering	Jim Van Norman Wick Family John Krueger	Dawn LaFevre Mary Hoglund
Nursery		Child of God	Child of God
Assisting Ministers	Joe Story	Paul Kurth	Al Overhaug
Communion Assistants		Marie Stark Margie Welke	
Projection	Sue Mielke	Paula Norman	Dravin Schmit
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