

Good News From Grace

Praising God + Serving Others + Building Friendship

January 26 & 27, 2019

Regular Worship Schedule

Sat. – 5:00 pm Sun. 9:00 am

www.gracelutherantomahawk.org

Live Streaming available on our website (see above). If you can't come to church, we can come to you!

REIFF HALL CEILING PROJECT IS 'OFF AND RUNNING'

Abundant thanks to all who chose to support projects in Grace's Gift Catalog through our December Special Offering! With help from the Cookie Walk and previous donations, the Reiff Hall Ceiling Replacement fund already has ~\$8,500 – which is approaching the half-way point of the project estimate in just a few months!! That's SO amazing!!! We are hopeful that this project can begin at the end of Sunday School this year, in early May when contractors are available. Contributions to the Gift Catalog that are given in memory or honor of a person or an event will be recorded in Grace's Memorial Book. We welcome and appreciate all contributions to this much needed upgrade.

SUNDAY SMORGASBORD

- **January 27 - Annual Meeting** following 9:00 am worship.
- **February 2 & 3, 4:00 pm - Pastor Nancy's Book Study**, Feb. 2 at 4:00pm, Feb. 3 at 10:15am
- **February 3 - Breakfast with Pastor Mark (He picks up the tab!) on Conversation about faith**, Grace, joining Grace, God's call, God's mission, etc. Connect with Pastor Mark to set this up.
- **February 10 - Meeting** visiting guest Zephaniah coming from Norway with Pastor Check
- **February 10 - Learn about the Holy Land = "Ties to the Land: Christianity in Israel and Palestine"** with Pastor Mark
- **February 17 - Marriage Milestone & Companion Breakfast** following 9:00am worship
- **February 24 - Meeting** visiting guest Malachi coming from Norway with Pastor Check

FAMILY WORSHIP BOXES - Have you noticed some different activity from children around you in worship? Do you hear shakers? See tea lights lit? Catch colored streamers waving? These are examples of what families have in special boxes that they assembled for use in worship. They are designed so children can participate in worship in a fun & interactive way, even if they can't read the words or see all the time. **If you have not put together a box for your family & would like one, please contact Patti Gaedtker.** Visitors are encouraged to ask the ushers for one of the "Guest" boxes we have ready. Instructions are inside.

GREATER GALILEE TRIP – FEBRUARY 9 & 10 – See insert for Details

PICK UP in the GATHERING AREA

- 2019 offering envelopes
- 2018 Contribution statements
- Crist in Our Home Devotional booklet
- Memory Tree Ornaments

Winter Fun Day at Camp at Camp Forest Springs has been rescheduled for Sunday February 3 (*due to extreme cold temps*)

VDC – March 14-17, 2019

Do you want to deepen your relationship with God? Do you want to be re-energized in your faith life? If so, consider attending the next **Via de Cristo** weekend, **March 14-17, 2019**. Over 50 people from Grace have attended this event, and have come back with a new vision of how they can share the love of Christ in their everyday lives. **THERE IS NO COST** for the weekend, and your sponsor will drive you to and from Camp Forest Springs near Westboro. The weekend starts Thursday evening and ends Sunday afternoon. Please take a brochure from the poster in the gathering space and pick up an application in the church office. (**Applications are due no later than February 16.**) Married couples are encouraged to attend together, although men's and women's activities are held separately. If you have questions, contact Pastor Mark, Gail Wilson at 715-453-5787 or any of the people on the display poster who have already attended. You can also check out the website: www.northernlightvdc.com.

GRIEF SUPPORT HAS BEGUN – 9:00 to 10:00 AM – A. F. Lounge

Grief is a normal and necessary reaction to the loss of someone you care about. It is important to know that everyone grieves in their own way and in their own time. The grieving process can be overwhelming & confusing. Join facilitators Mark & Patti at Grace Lutheran in the A. F. Lounge. This group is sponsored by Krueger Family Funeral and Grace Lutheran. Call Mark or Patti at (715) 453-5907 if you have questions.

PRAYER PARTNERS

“For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them.” - Matthew 18:20

Youth and adults, grade 10 through age 99+, please prayerfully consider becoming a Prayer Partner! This is an opportunity for you to help support the faith formation of a child and look to building a relationship with them. As part of our 2nd Grade Prayer Milestone, it is time to partner each 2nd grader in our church family with an older individual who they can connect with through prayer. If your heart is moved to be a part of this ministry, or if you would like to learn more about how you can become a prayer partner, contact Patti Gaedtke at (715) 612-2000 or gaedgram@charter.net.

KITCHEN COORDINATOR(S) – Grace Lutheran is seeking to fill this paid position. The person in this position will be the coordinator/liaison to those who have applied to use our kitchen. It will be their responsibility to explain how our kitchen works and what is expected of them before, during and after the event. It will not be their responsibility to be present during the event. The coordinator’s fee will be paid by the person or group that will be using the kitchen/hall. A complete job description can be found on our website www.gracelutherantomahawk.org, or in the Gathering Area. If you are interested in this position, please contact Debbie in the Church Office.

JANUARY SPECIAL OFFERING - TOMAHAWK WARMING CENTER

Financial support is needed at this time of year for the Tomahawk Warming Center to assist in paying the expenses for rooms, transportation, and insurance for those who do not qualify to stay at Our Sisters House. In this coldest month of the year, with your financial support, the Tomahawk Warming Center will make sure no one is left out in the cold.

STEWARDSHIP WEEKLY– Jesus reiterates the Old Testament command: “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might” (Deuteronomy 6:5), and He adds, “This is the great and first commandment” (Matthew 22:37-38). There is no greater joy than experiencing a close relationship with Christ. Unfortunately, our sinful selfishness prevents us from experiencing that close relationship with Jesus, but He breaks into our lives with His love. By the power of the Holy Spirit, He forgives our sins and creates a relationship with us. Because of Jesus, God calls us His children, and we call Him Father. This oneness is not only our joy, but our strength as well. Whom or what we love and follow determines how faithful we are as His stewards.

	Dec-18	Needed for	RECEIPTS vs.	ACTUAL	RECEIPTS vs.	Weekly Financial News <u>General Fund</u> \$3,502.00 <u>Noisy Collection</u> \$33.49 <u>Attendance</u> 175
	Receipts	Budget	BUDGET	SPENDING	SPENDING	
December						
General Fund	\$49,531	\$31,735	\$17,796	\$32,883	\$16,648	
Building Fund	\$6,098	\$5,076	\$1,022	\$5,076	\$1,022	
Total	\$55,629	\$36,811	\$18,818	\$37,959	\$17,670	
		YTD		YTD	YTD	
YEAR-TO-DATE	YTD Receipts	Needed for Budget	DIFFERENCE	ACTUAL SPENDING	RECEIPTS vs SPENDING	
General Fund	\$361,169	\$380,820	\$(19,651)	\$357,832	\$3,337	
Building Fund	\$60,519	\$60,910	\$(391)	\$60,910	\$(391)	
Total	\$421,688	\$441,730	\$(20,042)	\$418,742	\$2,946	

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Ushers	Chris/Ed Raasch	Tom/Donna Stone Don/Carolyn Halverson
Assisting Ministers	Nancy Herbison	Al Overhaug
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EVENTS & FUNDRAISER FORMS must be filled out prior to your event or fundraiser. The main reasons are: 1.) It helps us quickly track information such as monies raised, and expenses for the event or fundraiser. 2.) Once you fill out this form whatever room or area of the church you need will be reserved for you. **Please do not take for granted that your event is good to go if you have not filled out the form and reserved your space.** You can find these forms outside the church office on the bulletin board to the right of the Copy room, or go to our website and click on “downloadable forms.” This past year we have had some conflicts on events, dates, and what areas of the church to be used along with events. If you do not fill out a form you and your committee/group are at risk of being bumped by another committee/group that has filled out the form and reserved the space.

