

WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY, March 3, 2019/Transfiguration of Our Lord

Baptism Sunday

7:30 A.M.— Choir Rehearsal

8:00 A.M.—Traditional Service & 10:45 A.M. - Contemporary Service

9:30 A.M.— Sunday school for all ages

TUESDAY, March 5, 2019

6:30 P.M.—GS Troop #71032: APR

6:30 P.M.—Stephen Ministry: Parlor

WEDNESDAY, March 6, 2019 Ash Wednesday

Noon—Soup & Sacrament: All Purpose Room

7:00 P.M.—Evening Service: Sanctuary

7:00 P.M. —AA Meeting: Parlor

THURSDAY, February 28, 2018

9:30 A.M.—“Old Testament” Study: Parlor

7:00 P.M.—BS Troop #406: Social Hall

SUNDAY, March 10, 2019/First Sunday of Lent

Daylight Saving Time & Girl Scout Sunday

7:30 A.M.— Choir Rehearsal

8:00 A.M.—Traditional Service & 10:45 A.M. - Contemporary Service

9:30 A.M.— Sunday school for all ages



Luther's Ledger

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

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March 3, 2019 — The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Staff: The Rev. Janelle L. Kraus, Pastor;

Deacon Allison Wilcox - Evangelism & Adult Education Ministries

Kelsey Hlavac - Director of Christian Education & Youth Ministries

Phyllis Conroy - Parish Administrator; Ken Slack - Property Manager

Joyce Berner - Dir. of Music;

Flossie Schell - Sexton; Ellen Jones - Childcare Supervisor

Missionaries - Stephen & Marta Deal family;

Ministers: All People of Grace

WARM CHRISTIAN GREETINGS

We welcome you, from wherever you come, to unite with us, as we approach our loving Creator, in a spirit of worship. Your presence enhances our worship experience.



The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated during our services today. We welcome all who are worshipping with us to participate and simply ask that you realize Lutherans believe that Christ is here and by worshipping with Him, we receive forgiveness of our sins. Children are welcomed and encouraged to come forward, with their parents, to receive a blessing. If you are unable to come forward, please notify an usher and we will come to your pew to administer communion. We also have Gluten/Dairy free wafers. Please ask the Pastor for one, if you have these dietary restrictions.



Grace's New Member Class: We'll be beginning our next New Member Class in March, for those who are thinking of making Grace their church home. All are welcome, but sign-ups are encouraged so we can get a head count. Join us on the following dates to learn more about Grace, the Lutheran Church & the exciting ministry God has called us all to! If you're interested, please either fill out the bottom form & put in the offering plate, or contact Deacon Allison at deaconallison12@gmail.com.

New Member Class Dates: March 24th, April 7th, and April 28th

Time: 9:30 am to 10:30 am Location: Social Hall

New Member Class Sign up

Name(s) of those attending:

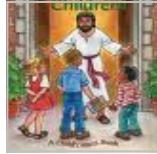
Contact Email and/or Phone Number:

IMPORTANT VISITOR & GUEST INFORMATION



WELCOME! If you are visiting Grace for the first time today, please take a WELCOME BAG on the table near the main front doors. Also, please be sure to fill out the "Sharing God's Grace" insert in the Ledger and place it in the offering plate. We hope today's worship service helps you to know & experience God's amazing grace! Please come again soon!

Children are welcome in all of our worship services at Grace! Tot Spot hours, are in affect for both worship services! (Mrs. Ellen Jones is our Sunday morning childcare director; she lovingly supervises children birth to age 5 while parents worship). Stop by room E08 in the Education Building, meet Ellen, check out this ministry to little ones, or even volunteer!



Children's Church located in rooms L08 & L09, is for children KG-2nd grade, during the 10:45 worship service; it's run by volunteers who do stories, games & crafts during the lessons & sermon time. Interested children go with the volunteer waiting in the narthex, after the children's sermon and are returned to parents in the sanctuary during the prayers. **Parents** – please make sure your child is in the age-appropriate place!



Need Prayer? Stephen Ministers are available during communion for prayer. Just go to a prayer station (in the narthex & at the side doors) and wait for a Stephen Minister, who'll pray with you. Stephen Ministers provide confidential, one-to-one Christian care & are specially trained to meet your emotional & spiritual needs. If you or someone you know is hurting, talk with our Stephen Leader: [Judy Lukens].

If you miss the opportunity to stop by one of the prayer stations, there's a "prayer box" located in the narthex. Complete a prayer request slip, put it in the box & the Stephen Ministers will pray for you. They can be anonymous or you can include your name. Everything with & through the Stephen Ministry is confidential. We're here for you! In Christ's great love.

There are a limited number of large-print copies of the worship service available for the visually impaired. You can find them on the Narthex windowsill.



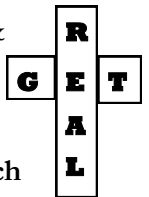
Adult Learning and Faith Growth Opportunities

Faith First: Would you like to be with a group of people who start their mornings with God? Join us Wednesday mornings at 7am, at The Main St Café. Questions? Contact Joe Curran at 610-948-4508 (answering machine available, leave a message).



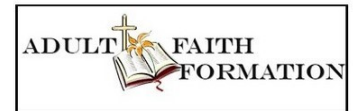
Holy Grounds: Israel's biblical history gives modern day readers wonderful lessons about God & insights into our own faith. Come read the book of Judges with us on Thursday mornings to deepen our understanding of being in relationship with God. We begin at 9:30, in the parlor (lower level of church, room 5). All are welcome to come and learn!

Get REAL! Join us Monday, March 4th at 6:30pm, for dinner & faith discussion, at Giovanni's in Royersford. This monthly group enjoys great conversation about topics that matter most in our lives. The topic this month: "Tools of Faith". If interested, please **RSVP to Angela Feist by, TODAY, March 3rd**, at 570-498-5986 or anchoredinhope@aol.com.



The Deacon's Book Club Our next meeting will be on Thursday, March 21st at 7:00 pm. We'll be discussing Part II of *What is the Bible* by Rob Bell. Any question, contact Deacon Allison at deaconallison12@gmail.com.

Sunday Morning Adult Faith Formation
Please join us at 9:30 am., for one of our faith engagement opportunities:



The Faith Club: We are reading & discussing a book titled The Faith Club. The setting is New York City after 9/11; an American Muslim woman was confronted with questions by her children about Islam & God. She reached out to two other mothers, a Christian & a Jew, to help her understand not only her religion, but theirs. Join Dr. Judy Stryker in the parlor, at 9:30, as we read and discuss these three religions.

PRISM: Led by Mr. Richard Harshaw. We will be discussing the book, "Who Moved My Cheese" and what it says about change. We meet in the choir room, lower level of church, rm. 4

Mothers and their Cake with Jan Slack meets in the Kitchen.



Youth News at Grace

Check out our website at www.gracelutheranroyersford.com, & watch facebook or see Kelsey for details on upcoming events.



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church
Grace Lutheran Youth Group
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All young people ages 2 years - High School, are invited to join us at 9:15 for Grace Place Sunday School. 2 year olds—Kindergarten in Room E08 (Tot Spot Room); Elementary, Middle & High School in lower level of the church (rooms are marked). Any ??? See Kelsey.



High School Youth Group—meets from 9:30-10:30am. During March, all High school families are encouraged to attend conversational meetings regarding the high school youth ministry program, in room L07.

6th - 12th graders: Tuscarora Lutheran Youth Retreat (formerly know as Harvey Cedars); our spring retreat is Fri., 4/5 (4pm) - Sun., 4/7 (2pm). This retreat is a fun weekend away with other youth from our synod, at Tuscarora Inn & Conference center near the Delaware water gap. See Kelsey with questions.

We have a date & event planned for the intergenerational mission trip! We'll have our intergenerational trip on 8/10 & 11, at Bear Creek Camp, serving alongside them as they end their summer camp program. We'll help clean up camp & help them prepare for family camp and other fall programs. Registration deadline is May 12th; see Kelsey if you have questions.



GIVING UPDATE:

GIVEN WEEK OF 2/24/2019:	\$4,358.00
WEEKLY GIVING BUDGETED:	\$7,245.00
TOTAL GIVING YEAR TO DATE:	\$53,017.00
TOTAL BUDGETED GIVING YTD:	\$57,960.00

SPONSORSHIPS TODAY

The Flowers are sponsored by the Armstrong family in loving memory of Arlene & Edward Smith and Fred Armstrong.
The Bulletins are sponsored by Dot Walters in loving memory of our parents Ernst & Ella Neubert and Newton & Catherine Walters.
The Window is sponsored by the Brad Sedor family, to the Glory of God.
The Lamp is sponsored by the Brad Sedor family, to the Glory of God.
The Coffee is sponsored by Linda Spivey in loving memory of Dad, Al Inglin.
The Children's Bulletins for March are sponsored in honor of all of the children at Grace.

Worship Assistants - March 3, 2019

Counting: Team A, McGarry **Children's Church:** Marchesani's

Tot Spot: 8:00 Judy Stryker 10:45 Amy Barattucci

Usher Teams and Captains: Team 4

8:00: Bruce Leister, Tom Weikel, Leon Ziegler & Jim Bauer
10:45: John Kraiss, Kathy Mills, Ralph Meitzler & Tammy Jordan

8:00 Greeters 10:45

Sherrri Roussey Team 3, Bev & Skip Meitzler
Vern & Betty Keeley Suzanne O'Neill

8:00 Communion Assistants 10:45

Carly Bauer Will Moyer, Karen Brown, Danny & Mandy Gonzalez

8:00 Acolytes, Crucifers & Torchbearers 10:45

Ava R./Ashley R. Caroline M./Connor F.
TB: Alaina M/Pooja A. Gavin S./Aiden O.

Children's Sermon: 8:00 Jack Claypotch 10:45 Jack Claypotch

Readers: 8:00 Deb Kamertz 10:45 Jack Claypotch

Tech Table 8:00 John 10:45 David Mull



BAPTISM — It's our joy to welcome Landyn David Schubert, son of David & Lauren Schubert at 8:00am, into God's family through the sacrament of Holy Baptism. We share in the joy of their family & friends today. The flowers on the baptismal font are in honor of this celebration.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: May God bring his healing upon and send comfort to: the family & friends of Rutheda "Jean" Graveline (mother of Pastor Kraiss) and the friends & family of Gloria McMullan (mother-in-law of Stephanie McMullan), as they mourn their passing; Niki Hlavac (Kelsey's sister); Jean Cooper; the Yudt family (friends of the McMullans); Our military personnel & our missionaries Stephen & Marta Deal. We thank God for His healing.

Worship Assistants - Mark Your Calendars - March 10, 2019

Counting: Team H, Fraunfelter **Children's Church:** Karen Thomas

Tot Spot: 8:00 OPEN 10:45 OPEN

Usher Teams and Captains: Team 5

8:00: Murray O'Cain, Phil Horning, Jack Connelly, Phil & Julia Plotts

10:45: Carol Ferguson, Tom Sheehan, Mike & Trish McGarry

8:00 **Greeters** 10:45

Sandy Kerchner/Gladys Pouchan Team 4, Dan & Angela Feist
Renee Holdsworth

8:00 **Communion Assistants** 10:45

Joy Fraunfelter Kim Weaner, Darrell Lewis, John
Snyder, Cristen Nimmerichter

8:00 **Acolytes, Crucifers & Torchbearers** 10:45

Christopher F./Christopher F. Kenny B./Kenny B.

Children's Sermon: 8:00 Danielle Lau 10:45 Kelsey Hlavac

Readers: 8:00 Karen Asbert 10:45 Gracyn Marchesani

Tech Table 8:00 Gene 10:45 Dan

THANKS TO... Mark Esslinger - Trustee and Debbie Armstrong & the Fraunfelter Team - Altar Guild Servers & to the volunteers, Roz Capor & Emma Breeger, who helped in the office this week.

PRAYER FOCUS - Week of 3/4/2018

- Sun., 3/4 Our country/National Anthem Day.
- Mon., 3/5 GIs/Hug a GI Day.
- Tues., 3/5 Doughnut Day/Fat Tuesday, Mardi Gras.
- Wed., 3/6 Jesus/Ash Wednesday
- Thurs., 3/7 Port/National Crown Roast of Pork Day.
- Fri., 3/8 Federal employees/National Recognition Week.
- Sat., 3/9 Farmers/Farmer Day.

WHAT'S NEW!!

Korean Veterans & Viet Nam Veterans: We would like to honor the veterans of the Korean & Viet Nam wars with a plaque, which will be displayed in the narthex. If you know of any church members who served in Korea or Viet Nam, please contact the church office or the following people: Phil Horning, Tom Weikel or Karen Asbert.



Healing Service & Ash Wednesday—Please Note: The normal Healing Service scheduled for March 5th, will be cancelled this month and instead be part of our Ash Wednesday service. Please join on Ash Wednesday (March 6th) at either noon or 7:00pm. The regular Healing Service schedule will begin again on 4/2.

Dear Grace Family,

Thank you very much for your kind expressions of sympathy. The peace lily is beautiful and the basket of fruit and snacks was so appreciated by my family. Your cards, hugs & caring words brought comfort and were wonderful signs of God's love.

God Bless, Pastor Kraiss



Please join us on Thursday, March 28 at 7pm for the installation of Deacon Allison Wilcox at Grace Lutheran Church. Bishop Patricia Davenport will be presiding at this wonderful worship service! There will be a reception immediately following the service - you're welcome to lend your help or simply come & show your support!

RSVP for Reception after Installation

Name(s):

Contact info:

I am _____ able to attend _____unable to attend

I will: _____ bring dessert _____ bring appetizer

_____help set up _____help clean up