Luther’s Ledger Announcements for 10/24/2021

22nd Sunday After Pentecost

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Julie Buckwalter; Riley Bearse; Bob Hollenbach; Ingeborg Blob; Rick Fryer (friend of Joyce Straub); Leon Ziegler; Rick Shiley; Gerry Pennypacker (Rick Pennypacker’s brother); Jerry Johnson, Sr. (father of Brenda Johnson); Ray Weikel; Our military personnel & our missionaries Stephen & Marta Deal. We thank God for His healing.

**PRAYER FOCUS - Week of 10/24/2021**

Sun., 10/24 Peace/United Nation’s Day.

Mon., 10/25 Family/Mothers-in-law Day.

Tues., 10/26 Peace, friendship & goodwill/P.F.&G. Week.

Wed., 10/27 Cats/Black Cat Day.

Thurs., 10/28 Garment workers/Eli Whitney invents the

cotton gin in 1793.

Fri., 10/29 Pennsylvania/Penn lands in PA 1682.

Sat., 10/30 Eating healthy/Vegetarian Month & Candy

Corn Day.

If you have a prayer that you would like added to our prayers, please email it to the church office at [gracelutrn@verizon.net](mailto:gracelutrn@verizon.net) or leave it on the church phone at 610-948-3684. It may be a prayer for someone who is ill or struggling, or in thanksgiving for a healthcare worker/first responder/ someone keeping stores open, or in gratitude for a blessing this week.





**Youth News…**

**G.R.A.C.E. Place will be on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.**

1st Sunday each month is G.R.A.C.E. Place for individual classes: kindergarten & under,

1st – 2nd, and 3rd – 6th graders. 3rd Sunday of the month will be large group G.R.A.C.E.

Place with Kelsey learning faith through life size board games!

Kindergarten & under (with parents) will meet on the lawn of the church office. 1st – 2nd grade will meet at the church doors of 6th Ave (by the welcome center); 3rd – 6th grade will meet by the welcome center on the parking lot side. All classes will meet outside for fall & will socially distance. If it rains, we will meet inside with social distancing and masking.

*We’re looking for volunteers to help lead these classes. Please be prayerful about this opportunity and email Kelsey if you’d like to lead a class.*

**1st Communion Classes:** 3rd graders are invited to 1st communion classes this fall on Sundays at 4pm. We will meet in the Welcome Center. Please email Kelsey if you have any questions.

**Confirmation**: We invite 7th & 8th graders to participate in our confirmation 2-year program. We have started classes which meet, 9:15-10:15am. If you are interested or have any questions, please email Kelsey.

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**Join us this week in celebrating two more members of the Body of Christ joining us in communion!** Andy Ruiz and Andrew Mazur are receiving their 1st Communion on October 24th. These 4th graders have waited over a year for this opportunity and are excited to participate in God’s community and sacrament of Holy Communion at Grace!

**Here Are Some Great Ways to Connect**

**Deacon Allison’s Zoom Bible Study**—Our Zoom study of the Gospel of John continues.

It is never too late to join in! We have two great groups who would love to have more

people to converse with. We continue to meet at 7:00 pm through Zoom on Monday

evenings and at 10:00 am on Thursday mornings. Both groups will be studying the

same material. If your schedule is fluid, you can join whichever group meets your weekly needs. Contact [deaconallison12@gmail.com](mailto:deaconallison12@gmail.com) or the church office for a link. Both groups have elected to continue meeting via Zoom for the rest of the year. If you have suggestions for other in-person gathering for adult faith formation, please let Deacon Allison know.



**Conversation & Community—**Conversation & Community continues to be on

hiatus. Contact Deacon Allison at [deaconallison12@gmail.com](mailto:deaconallison12@gmail.com) if you are interested

in taking part in future conversations. In addition, if you’re interested in restarting,

taking part in or leading a new gathering of the Mother’s group that met on Sunday mornings with Jan Slack, please contact Deacon Allison. Volunteers are needed to help facilitate, and Deacon Allison will help you get started!

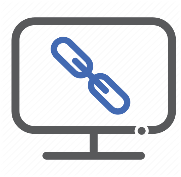
**Morning Grace Daily Devotions**.  You can find our Morning Grace Devotions at allisonwilcox.com. Sign up there to receive devotions in your email box Mondays through Fridays.

Join Deacon Allison on **Thursdays at noon** for a deeper dive into one of the week’s devotionals.



And join either Pastor Krais or Deacon Allison for prayer time on **Sundays. Times will**

**fluctuate** based on what is happening with our in-person Sunday morning schedule.



**New Noon Coffee Hour & Get Real Link Info.!** Missing seeing your Grace friends?



You don't have to!  Join this zoom meeting just to chat and check in with one another.

You'll be glad you did!  Please call Angela Feist or the church office at 610-948-3684

for the new link or more info.

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***Sunday morning Adult Faith Formation—***Our adult faith formation has started up in person! Richard Harshaw leads a group for fellowship & discussion on Sunday mornings at 9:15 am; they meet in the choir room.



**Our Prayer List Coordinator**—Becky Leonard is our Prayer List Coordinator. Becky is a wonderful addition to our volunteers, who help keep our church family connected & growing. Please send any prayer requests to Becky at bellpn@aol.com or you can call the church office at 610-948-3684 to leave a message. Thank you for sharing your joys & concerns and praying for others.



**Fall Worship** **at Grace:** Here’s what Sunday mornings look like now**:**

8:15 am: Traditional worship in the sanctuary, centered on Word & Sacrament.

Inspiring music, faithful preaching, life-giving Communion. (Communion will

initially be celebrated using communion kits.)

9:30 am: Grace Place! On Hold! See Youth News above for updates & details.

(Sunday School for 1st- 6th grades) Confirmation classes will run from 9:15-10:15.

Classes will be held outside, weather permitting.

10:30 am: Contemporary worship in the sanctuary, centered on Word and Sacrament, in a less formal format. Spirit-filled music by Spirit of Grace praise band. Children’s sermon by Kelsey. Communion will initially be celebrated using communion kits. This service will be livestreamed to our Youtube channel at

GraceLutheranRoyersford. Subscribe to receive notifications and don’t forget to talk with us in the chat!

The 10:30 am worship livestream is always recorded and saved to our website at [www.GraceLutheranRoyersford.com](http://www.GraceLutheranRoyersford.com), where you can view it at your convenience.

Grace will continue to follow local guidelines for masks and other recommendations.  Currently, we are asking all worshipers to wear a mask for their protection and the protection of children who are not eligible for vaccinations.  (We’re a family church – we love our kids!)  Please continue to follow social distance guidelines, *especially* when you are in the buildings.

We look forward to gathering in other exciting ways this fall too! Watch for information on food truck Sundays, family-friendly and safe service projects following worship, and a church picnic at Victory Park. Join us. Bring a friend (or 5). Give yourself the gift of weekly worship to renew and grow and

experience God’s grace.





**MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE UNTO THE LORD**

**The bell choir at Grace is being revived for the Advent season.** If you have a desire to

join us, please let us know. It will not be a long-term commitment. There will be about

six rehearsals, one night a week, leading up to our Christmas Eve service. Musical ability

is helpful, but mostly you just need to be able to count! The songs will be simple and a great way to share your gifts & praise the Lord! Please contact Joyce Berner or Jackie Perry, or you may contact the church office at 610-948-3684 or gracelutrn@verizon.net, if you are interested.

Hello members of Grace!

We are excited to be planning a gift for our neighbors at the Southeastern Veteran’s Center!

We are collecting the two main items they asked for:



* New, large print word search/puzzle books

(like the ones we collected for Unity Day/Golden Age Manor)

* New, ADULT coloring books (not children’s!)

If you would like to purchase and donate either of these two items, please leave

these donations on the table in the 6th Avenue entrance to the church. These books,

along with some other requested items, will be packed in tote bags on October 31, BY THE CONGREGATION. We need your help! Details to follow. Help us be a blessing to our Veterans!!

**Our “Blessed to be a Blessing Sunday”** was last Sunday**.** As of Oct 17th, we have received $209,000 in pledges towards the $350,000 needed to balance the anticipated budget for next year. We are prayerful that we will receive additional pledges of financial support, or budget cuts will be necessary.  Please consider how YOU would like to help Grace continue to grow!   Pledges may still be turned in to the office, if you need a pledge card, please feel free to call and we will mail you one.  Thank you for your prayerful support!!



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For over one hundred years the people of Grace Lutheran Church have followed the ancient custom of remembering all the saints on the first Sunday in November. We rejoice for our brothers and sisters who have died and have joined the Lord in the Church Triumphant, where there is no more grief, no more crying and no more pain.

**On Sunday, November 7th at the 8:15 and 10:30am services,** we will remember not only the departed members of our congregation, but other loved ones as well. You are invited to submit the name(s) of those people to the church office for inclusion in a special bulletin insert & as part of this special service that will commemorate the faithful departed.

Please provide the name of your loved one(s) and their relationship to you by calling or emailing the information into the church office at 610-948-3684 or GraceLutrn@verizon.net.

**Lorraine's Hearing Fund** (created to provide financial assistance to members of Grace

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who have a hearing impairment), will take applications for those needing equipment,

devices, education, or technology. Awards up to $2,500 each will be considered for

applicants. To apply, email Roxanne Troiano (rmtroiano@verizon.net) and she will

either email or mail you an application (whichever is best for the applicant). **All applications are due by October 31, 2021.** Applicants will be notified in November of eligibility and the amount of the award. Please direct questions to committee members: Roxanne Troiano or Pastor Krais ([jkrais.gracelutrn@verizon.net](mailto:jkrais.gracelutrn@verizon.net)).

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**All are invited to join us on October 31, from 9:30-10:15** for some great activities between worship services.  There will be activities for all ages, including corn hole games!  Help us to pack bags for the Veteran's Center in Spring City!  Enjoy a free breakfast sandwich from Annamarie's!

**In recognition of Blessed to be a Blessing Sunday, we’re filling 10 Thanksgiving food bags for Open Door.** In conjunction, we are sponsoring a food drive on Oct. 24 & 31 and Nov. 7 & 14. We will provide a Giant gift card for the turkey & hope to supply the side dishes for a full Thanksgiving meal, through our food drive.

**We are asking for these specific items:** Instant mashed potatoes, jar gravy, canned sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, corn, green beans, apple sauce, stuffing mix, pumpkin pie mix, evaporated milk.  **Items will be collected at the table at the 6th Ave. entrance on Sundays and can be dropped off during the week at the church office, from 9am-2pm.**

Thank you for your generosity.

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