

Good News From Grace



God's work. Our hands.



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

Celebrating Our 59th Year

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This is Church. This is Grace.

Grace Lutheran Church exists for multiple reasons, most of which can be summed up in two short sentences. To love God. To love people. Easy to say, yet challenging to live-out. In Scripture we have multiple images that help us describe the church, such as the Bride of Christ, followers of the Way, the hands and feet of Christ, and the Body of Christ. Paul writes to the Corinthians and describes some of the framework for the church (Remember church is not a building or hour in the week, but a community of Jesus followers in a particular place and time). Paul writes,



For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body...If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. 1 Corinthians 12:12-13a, 26-27

It is amazing to see the body of Christ at Grace Lutheran Church, empowered by the Holy Spirit, moving and serving. For instance, there is a team of people working together to help other members and friends of Grace get registered for the vaccine. There are many volunteers who help prepare for and lead worship each and every week. Numerous members of our congregation call on those who are sick or lonely or in need of assistance. Multiple folks stop by the church building during the week to assist in keeping the grounds looking great. Much of this service goes unnoticed by people, and I think many of the volunteers prefer it that way.

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What passions do you have? What gifts, skills and abilities has God blessed you with that you can utilize for His glory and the good of our neighbors? Not because you “have to”, but because when we align our passions and gifts with God’s work, not only are others blessed, but we also are blessed through experiencing life-giving service. Come and serve. Invite others also.

Because together we are better. Together we are Grace Lutheran Church.

In Christ,
Pr. Nate

PS. To those unnamed service volunteers – THANK YOU

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COUNCIL MEMBERS

President	Ellie Kryzkowski
Vice President	Bill Lort
Secretary	Sandy Hostettler
Council Members	Fred Boettcher Spencer Earnhardt Ruth Haesaker Tom Starling Carl Wince

CHURCH FINANCIALS January 2021

INCOME	MONTH-Actual	MONTH-Budget	YEAR to Date-Actual
Regular Giving	\$ 12,209.00	\$ 11,500	\$ 12,209.00
Loose Offering	\$ 999.20	\$ 1,000	\$ 999.20
Other Income	\$ 10,507.13	\$ 6,631	\$ 10,507.13
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 23,715.33	\$ 19,131	\$ 23,715.33
EXPENSES	\$ 23,606.73	\$ 20,923	\$ 23,606.73
NET INCOME / LOSS	\$ 309.20	\$ (1,792)	\$ 309.20



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First Communion Training

While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." Matthew 26:26

If you, or anyone you may know, is interested in First Communion training and would like to partake in the Lord's Supper, please let the office at Grace Lutheran Church know. Typically, First Communion happens sometime between 3rd and 6th grade. We will work with each family on gaining an understanding of when a child is prepared for such an occasion. If there is a need, we will plan a training in March with a First Communion Celebration during Holy Week. These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Confirmation Class

Looking ahead to the 2021-2022 program year, we will be having confirmation classes. Confirmation class has traditionally been for those in 7th and 8th grade here at Grace Lutheran Church. Yet, if you are in 6th grade during the 2021-2022 school-year and would like to participate or if you will be past 8th grade and have never been confirmed and would like to participate, please let us know. This summer we will be figuring out when the timing and form of the confirmation program.

New Members

If you know of any friends or neighbors who come to Grace Lutheran Church and would be interested in joining this spring, please let the church office know. As members of Grace, we are all encouraged to invite friends and neighbors to the worship services and ministries here at Grace Lutheran Church. We want all people to feel welcome and to come and see what the Lord is up to!



The Church Council met on Tuesday, February 16th. The meeting was held a day earlier than our normally scheduled meeting, due to Ash Wednesday. We reviewed financial and Committee Reports.

We discussed the changes for the Lenten season necessitated by the Pandemic. With the continued increase in the number of people attending in-person services, we were concerned about seating for the Easter Service. We will discuss possibly adding a second service on Easter Sunday at the next meeting. Stay tuned for further information regarding this in the very near future.

The Technology Committee has been working very hard to add much needed technical services to enhance many of our procedures and services. We are very excited about their ideas for the future. Many thanks to Tom Starling and Pastor Nate for all their research and hard work.

Pastor Nate has been a welcomed addition to our Church. He has provided us with new and fresh ideas for the future. He has also made an effort to reach out to every member of our Congregation.

Thank you everyone for your continued help and support.

Ellie Krzykowski, Council President

The Altar Colors of Easter

***Lent—Violet**—color reminds us of the suffering & passion of our Lord

***Good Friday—Black**—to remind us of our Lord’s great suffering & death, and also, that without Him we are dead unto sin

***Easter—Gold**—emphasizes the joy of His resurrection & the richness of the day

***Ascension—White**—reminds us Christ ascended into heaven to become our advocate

The Gift Shop

The gift shop is reopening. We will be open every Sunday 15 minutes before church and 15 minutes after church.

We are currently in need of donations of small items.





Thank you Ann Jacoby for the computer team effort to obtain vaccine appointments for several members! We coordinated our strategy on the Publix site and it worked!!!

What's in the Covid 19 Vaccine:

Many have asked me what are they really injecting in my arm, so here's what's in them:

1. Active ingredient to fight the virus is mRNA (messenger Ribonucleic acid). This is a messenger that goes to our DNA (this is what makes our genetic code) to trigger and produce antibodies to fight Covid. The remaining ingredients listed are used to help your body use the mRNA.
2. Lipids (fats)
3. Salts
4. Sucrose (sugar, and I'd rather have the lollipop!)

What's not in the Covid 19 Vaccine

1. Any blood products
2. Mercury
3. Eggs
4. Pork
5. Preservatives
6. Microchips

Any more information for those that want learn more about each ingredient can go to www.pubchem.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov

Don't forget to wear your mask!!!

Norma Weaver, RN, CNOR

March Need of the Month

DONATE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Imagine the loving touch of a certified nursing assistant in a care center, a prayer shared with a home care client or a Bible study among senior living apartment residents. These are all examples of steps toward fulfilling the Good Samaritan Society's vision to create an environment where people are loved, valued and at peace. Your contributions help us continue to take these steps and care for seniors in the way they want to be cared for—with respect and dignity.



Items needed are listed below:

Deodorant, Shower Gels, Shampoo, Shaving Cream for the men, Conditioners for the women, Body Spray, Hand Sanitizers, Hand Lotion, Toothbrushes and Toothpaste (small).

Thanks for helping us make a difference in the lives of seniors!

The Good Samaritan Society is a not-for-profit



Remember

Move your clocks forward 1 hour
on Sunday, March 14th

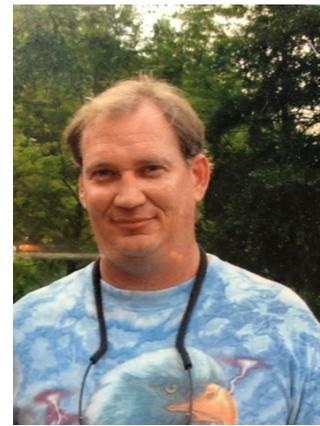




Gina Meyer

03/28/1964—01/26/2021

We are sad to report of the recent passing of Gina Meyer, wife of Gregory Meyer, deceased. Gina will be interred in the Garden of Resurrection next to her husband in a private ceremony at the request of the family sometime within the next few days. Please keep Gina's daughter and mother in your prayers.



Thomas Crockett

11/11/1964—01/31/2021

We are very sad to report of the recent passing of Thomas Crockett, son of Regina Crockett. A service for Tom will be held on Saturday, March 6th at 11:00 am at Grace Lutheran Church. Burial will be at a later date in Key West, where his ashes will be taken out to sea. Please keep Regina and family in your prayers.

Order your
Easter Flowers
\$10.00 each

Checks may be made payable to Grace Lutheran Church (or) GLC. You may send your contribution to the church office or turn in your envelope by **April 1st** to be included in the Easter Flower List. **Please print your message clearly** so the Easter Flower List is correct!

Limited Seating

We would appreciate it if you would be cognizant of your surroundings when selecting a pew to sit in for our Sunday service. If you select a pew that is empty, please sit so other people can safely sit in your pew. If you choose an "aisle" seat, please be prepared to let people sit in the middle of the pew so we can accommodate more people. Thank you.



We are sad to report that a former parishioner, Rachel Yount, passed away on January 14, 2021. Rachel attended church here for many years. She is responsible for so many of the crucifixes that we place on the altar trees during the Christmas season. She and her daughter Roxie, also created the display box of crucifixes which we display during the Christmas holidays. Her last Christmas with us she donated the modern nativity scene that is displayed in the narthex. Last but certainly not least, she, Roxie and Joe, are responsible for the beautiful wreaths that we hang on the walls to decorate the church. We are very grateful for all of the time, talent, and gifts that she bestowed on us during the time she worshipped with us. Her funeral service was held at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Cemetery in Claremont, North Carolina. Please keep her daughter, Roxie, and son-in-law, Joe, in your thoughts and prayers. Rest in Peace Rachel.

“Souper” Bowl Sunday was a great success. We collected a total of 161 cans. The “Souper” bowl game had the Tampa Bay Buccaneers winning 102 cans to the Kansas City Chiefs 59 cans. It looks like the Buccaneers knew the pressure was on, right from the beginning and proceeded to take control of the game and never let go. Thank you everyone for your support of HUM.



The 2020 Annual Reports are now available. They may be picked up in the narthex of the church. If you wish a copy, please contact the office and we will mail one to you.

We are continuing to observe the rules and regulations established by the CDC and Florida Dept. of Health. The pews have been taped off so we only sit in every other pew. We are wearing masks and practicing social distancing, even during communion, and we have plenty of sanitizer available at all times. The bulletins are placed on a table in the narthex to be picked up when you enter. Your health and safety have been at the top of our "Covid" planning.



Bible Study



Bible study on Thursday's have resumed at 10am via Zoom. If you are interested in joining, please reach out to Pr. Nate (revbendorf@gmail.com). We are studying the life of Jesus in the Gospels. Let's get into God's Word together!

Always verify emails, phone calls and text messages

For your safety, please always verify email addresses and phone numbers when you receive communications, including from Grace Lutheran Church. Scammers will use a false email address or phone number, but real names, to try to either capture personal information or get you to send money, gift cards or other resources. When in doubt, just call and ask. **Grace's email addresses:** glc50@cfl.rr.com (Richelle), noahsark1@cfl.rr.com (Sue), revbendorf@gmail.com (Pastor) **Grace's phone number:** 386-677-9141

Weekly Lenten services will be held at 6:30pm every Wednesday. Due to Covid-19 there will not be any soup suppers during this year's Lenten season.

Holy Week Services:

Palm Sunday: March 28th
10:00am

Maundy Thursday: April 1st
6:30pm



Good Friday: April 2nd
12:00pm & 6:30pm



Easter Sunday: April 4th
10:00am



We have a CD of religious music created by Lionel Marcoux, soloist, and Donna Hauge, violinist. This CD is available for \$10.00 with proceeds going to the social ministry committee. If interested in purchasing one please see Sandy Lort or Sue Underwood.

Learning Today



Leading Tomorrow

Noah's Ark Preschool March 2021- Newsletter

Visit our
website:

noahsarkormond.com

We were so busy in February. We had a Valentines party on the 12th. Lots of food, and of course, PIZZA. It is amazing how much pizza little children can eat. We exchanged Valentines with lots of kids and of course we went home with lots of Valentines, treats, and candy. A good time was had by all.

Our testing was moved to the end of the month, so I will have to report on that next month. I am sure we will do very well on our tests.

March brings Saint Patrick's Day and spring break. What a good month it is.

Wednesday mornings are still our favorite because we get to do an art project and go to chapel with Pastor Nate.

We are still doing seatwork every day. *It is not as boring as it was in the beginning of the year. We are learning to write our name, free hand. No more tracing the letters. We are doing mix and match, counting, adding, subtracting, and are practicing following directions. There is just so much to do to get ready for kindergarten.*

See you next month, and thanks for your continued support!



March Birthdays

- 03 Robert Gerard
- 03 Jim Heffner
- 03 Carol Mahaffey
- 08 Carl Wince
- 10 Mary Buckwalter
- 16 Nicole Kaeding
- 16 Hayden Good
- 19 Ellen Krzykowski
- 25 Sue Tyson
- 26 Alan Burton
- 27 Diane Skelley
- 27 Nicolas Hazelip
- 30 Mark Crabb

April Birthdays

- 01 John Stratton
- 04 Kristine Kahn
- 07 Calle Rose Secunda
- 08 Kim Heffner
- 08 Barbara McCormick
- 09 James Crowley
- 10 Lawrence Isom
- 14 Karlene Gray
- 14 Tim Tanos
- 16 Joyce Northridge
- 20 Chuck Wilde
- 23 Erin Morgan
- 28 Lon Moeller

March Anniversaries

- 03 Marsha & Bob Leftwich
- 20 Wilfred & Kathy Kahn

April Anniversaries

- 03 Phil & Laraine Isom
- 04 Fred & Marlitt Boettcher
- 05 Justin & Kimberly Hyatt
- 09 Samuel & Pamela Smith
- 17 Bill & Sandy Lort
- 20 Al & Jan Kaeding

The Power of a Quarter



GLC has really been successful with the “clink” of our **quarters**. We have paid for so many things that upgrade the church over the past 5 years we have been collecting **quarters**. Please put a couple of quarters in your purse or pocket for our latest goal to get new chairs to place around the table in the lobby.



**Altar Flowers
and
Communion Elements**



- WHO:** You!
- WHAT:** Altar Flowers and/or Communion Elements
- COST:** \$25.00 each or \$50.00 both - weekly
- WHERE:** Dated sign up book in Lobby
- WHY:** To commemorate a loved one or an important event
- HOW:** Use pew envelope or drop off a check in the church office

Thank You very much



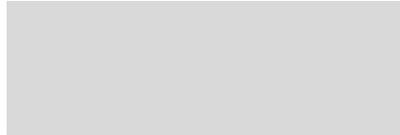
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Activity Schedule

WEEKLY WORSHIP SERVICE

Choir
Coffee Fellowship
Gift Shop
Quilters
Church Council
Bible Study
Social Club Luncheon

Temporarily
cancelled due to
COVID-19

