

# Good News From Grace



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

**Celebrating Our 60th Year**

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## *Grace: This is God's Church!*

Florida summer 2021. It was an adventurous one! And wow has it flown by. I have been reflecting back at some of the highlights of these summer months. In no particular order, here is where I have experienced God moving at and beyond Grace Lutheran.

In June we had three baptisms, Logan and Lizzy on the 6<sup>th</sup> and Conner on the 27<sup>th</sup>. These children were associated with Grace through VPK and though family members. I think this says a lot about Grace; specifically



Grace's hospitality. I love how this church makes people feel welcome and valued as a visitor, vacationer, potential new member, or lifelong member. Everyone is cared for and welcomed with open arms – this is God's church!

In July I officiated a renewal of vows (32 years of marriage) and a remembrance of baptism for a visiting family from Iowa. Both of these events occurred right outside of our campus on the beach.

What a special day this was, as this adult family of 5 recommitted their promises to each other and to God through sacred and ancient acts of faith – this is God's church!



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## CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Rev. Nathaniel Bendorf
Office Assistant	Richelle Williams
Noah's Ark Preschool Administrator	Sue Underwood
Treasurer	Sue Underwood

## COUNCIL MEMBERS

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

## CHURCH FINANCIALS August 2021

INCOME	MONTH-Actual	MONTH-Budget	YEAR to Date-Actual
Regular Giving	\$ 14,226	\$ 11,500	\$ 90,423
Loose Offering	\$ 916	\$ 1,000	\$ 5,074
Other Income	\$ 4,980	\$ 6,631	\$ 50,803
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 20,122	\$ 19,131	\$ 146,300
EXPENSES	\$ 16,871	\$ 20,923	\$ 141,216
NET INCOME / LOSS	\$ 3,251	\$ (1,792)	\$ 5,084



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In August I was able to travel to the *Connect with a Child* orphanage in Nairobi, Kenya. What a special time this was. When I planned this trip, I had no idea the ways God was going to move, especially through the support and encour-



agement of members of Grace. This was not expected in any way and an amazing surprise. A huge THANK YOU to the members of Grace who prayed for, supported and invested in this experience and these amazing children – this is God's church!

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## **Worship with Grace from anywhere!**

All of our worship services are recorded and put online on our Grace Website, Facebook page and YouTube channel. Whether you are traveling, a snowbird, or unable to make it to Grace on a Sunday morning, you can always worship with us virtually each week!

Share our website with family and friends, like our Facebook page, and subscribe to the YouTube channel to stay connected!

Grace's website <http://gracelcob.org/>



*Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!*  
**COME AND WORSHIP...**

In person worship is happening at Grace following the CDC guidelines for safety. The gathering for worship is 10am on Sunday mornings. We would love to have you there!

Worship services are also posted virtually on Grace's website, YouTube page, and Facebook page.

### **Worship Services**

Jesus is Risen! He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!  
WHAT GOOD RESURRECTION LIFE LOOKS LIKE! PRAISE LIST  
SOUND LIST  
JOIN US ON SUNDAY AT 10AM AS WE WORSHIP TOGETHER  
WHAT LIFE WITH CHRIST AND LIFE IN THE WORLD LOOKS LIKE AND PRAISE LIFE. KNOWING THE TIME IS EMPTY!  
THE THIRD DAY, EASTER, CHANGES EVERYTHING.



## **Pastoral Visits available**

I would love to visit and get to know you more! If you would like to schedule a home visit, go out for lunch, or meet outside at a park, please let me know. Call the church office or email at [revbendorf@gmail.com](mailto:revbendorf@gmail.com).



Florida North Area 9 - District 4

**WE'RE  
BACK!**

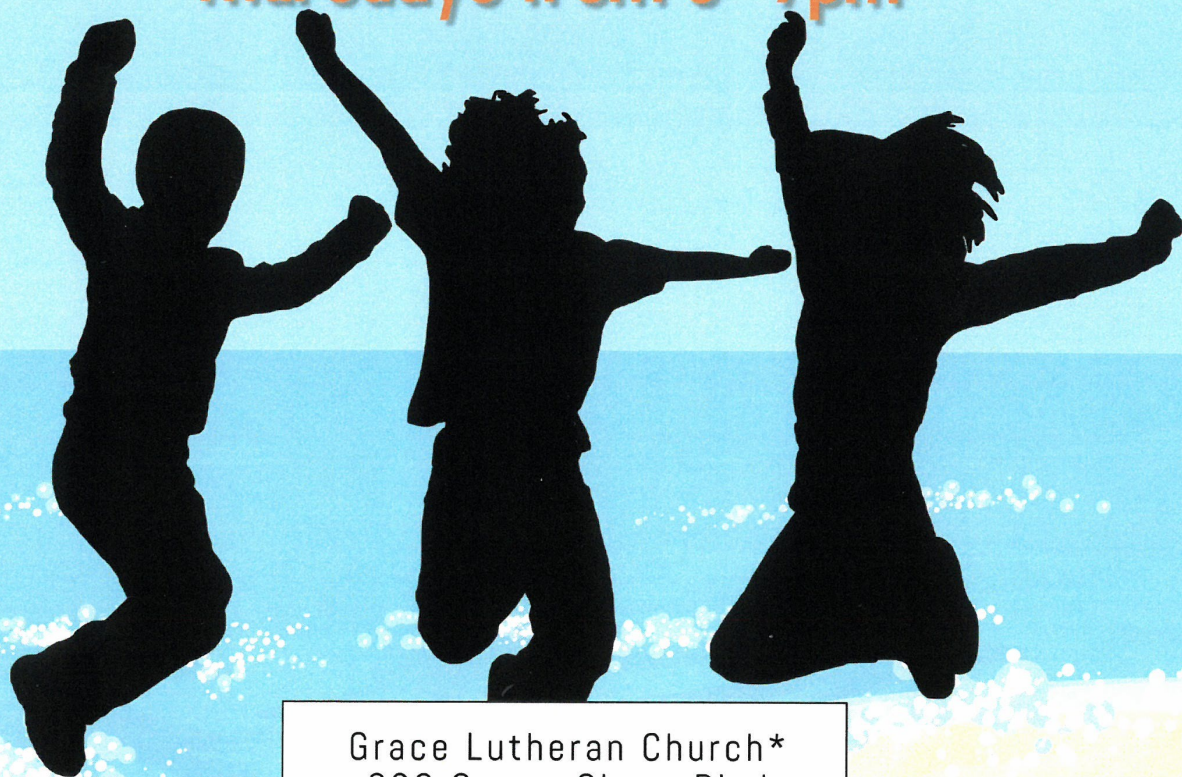
*Choosing Joy in*  
**ALATEEN**

**HELP AND HOPE. YOU ARE NOT ALONE.**

In-person meetings beginning

**September 2, 2021**

**Thursdays from 6 - 7pm**



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338 Ocean Shore Blvd  
Ormond Beach, FL 32176

\*Enter from parking lot on Neptune Avenue  
Snacks Provided ~ Al-Anon meets at the same time.

**\*Alateen members or prospective Alateen members are young people who feel their lives have been or are being affected by alcoholism in a family member or friend.**

**Al-Anon4Serenity.org / 904-315-0233**

***Frances Jackson (07/09/1940—07/24/2021)***

Frances Jackson passed away July 24, 2021 after an extended illness. She joined the church in October, 2015, and was a very faithful member along with her husband Wayne and son Tim. Even though she was retired while her family resided in Ormond Beach, they truly supported all of the church's activities whenever they could. She was married to Wayne for 59 years. We found out her main hobby was Japanese flower arranging as a teacher of the Sogetsu School of Ikebana. She could always be found with a smile on her face and a kind word for whoever she encountered. She will be truly missed. Our sympathies to Wayne, and her two daughters, Kelly and Dianne, who took care of her right up to the end.

***Roy Spangler (6/4/1924—8/7/2021)***

Roy and his deceased wife, Selma, joined Grace in 1972, from Staten Island, New York. He was an avid sportsman, hunter, and loved dealing in antiques, coins, and anything else he could "turn a coin" on. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II and was very active in Disabled American Veterans and was Commander of American Legion Post 267. His unfulfilled dream was to write a memoir entitled "The View From the Third Floor Window". When he was asked what he did for a living, he would always reply, "I was a dirt farmer", and then laugh. In later years, Roy would come up to the church everyday and have a cup of coffee while sitting out in the lobby and chatting with whomever would come by. He was a Wendy's regular and his favorite food was their chili (scoop it deep) and he would wash it down with a chocolate shake. He was also known as "The Gardenmeister", because he always came by everyday to visit his wife Selma and ring the Garden Bell. Roy was interred in the Garden on August 12th with military honors. Our sympathies to his son Steven and wife Sandy and his four grandchildren.

***Stanley Erwin Buss (2/11/1936—8/08/2021)***

Stanley grew up on the family farm in Manchester, Michigan, served in the Marines, and graduated from Michigan State with a Masters degree in Industrial Engineering. He spent the next 38 years working for General Motors as an Industrial Engineer. He was a 33rd degree Mason and absolutely loved driving sick children to and from the Shriners Hospital. After a very fulfilling life in Michigan, Stanley retired to Florida, where he took on a whole new set of activities, including, riding his bike around the neighborhood, continuing to write his poems, and telling stories. He met a very loving companion, named Jackie Vores who had 5 daughters he cherished. They enjoyed many activities before he became ill. Our sincere sympathies to daughters, Diane and Janet, and son Michael, his three grandsons, as well as his two stepsons and their families, and especially his loving companion, Jackie and her five daughters. A service was held here at Grace with internment in the Garden of Resurrection on August 28th.





## Summer Bible Study



September 16 at 10am via zoom is our next summer bible study. We will be studying Philippians 4. Email Pr. Nate for the zoom link.

## Thrivent Members

If you are a member of Thrivent Financial, did you know you have "Choice" dollars that you can allocate every year to Grace? Also, every Thrivent member has access to "*Thrivent Action Grants*" which are mini-grants to kick-start community service projects (pumpkin patch, quilting, trunk sale and more). If you are a Thrivent member and would like to learn more about these, please let us know.

## Online Giving Option Survey

Grace is seeking your input about providing an online giving option. This would be a safe and secure webpage on our website that you would be able to access from anywhere and anytime to give your offering, make a designated gift, or pay for a ministry or program fee. There would be a small transaction fee that the giver would have the option to cover or not (usually less than \$3). This option may be especially appealing for our snowbirds, travelers or those who prefer to use a credit card for giving. If you would utilize an online giving option, could you reach out and let us know. Email us at [glc50@cfl.rr.com](mailto:glc50@cfl.rr.com) Thanks!

## Stewardship Campaign: "Blessed by Grace"

Our Fall Stewardship Campaign is kicking off in September. Watch your mailbox for a letter and two return able forms: "*Time and Talents*" and "*Financial Gifts*". Stewardship is an act of faith and worship; giving back what God has first given to us: our time, talents and treasures. Forms should be returned before Commitment Sunday, which will be celebrated in worship on October 10th.

## Technology Project Update

As a church, our mission is to share the Good News of Jesus. We continue to learn and adapt in how we do ministry, especially living through a pandemic over this last year. Snow-birds and those unable to worship with us in-person can continue to stay connected through weekly virtual worship services. If you would like to make a special gift for the technology project, write "*technology project*" on the memo of your check and drop it off in the office or offering plates at church. Make sure to view our online worship services at [www.gracelcob.org](http://www.gracelcob.org). Also, feel free to share the services with family and friends!

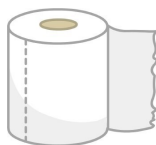
# September Need of the Month Family Renew

Family Renew helps homeless families in need get back on their feet without separating the family. Some are single mothers with children (several who are escaping abusive relationships). Family Renew provides apartments for a period of one year, as well as training to ensure the family's success in staying on their feet. The Secret Attic supplies these families with home furnishings and clothing. Cleaning supplies are not provided. This is where we can lend a helping hand. Items needed are listed below.



## Cleaning Supplies:

- Toilet Tissue (small packs)
- Laundry Soap (small packs)
- Dishwashing Soap (ie. Dawn)
- Toilet Bowl Cleaner
- Cleaning Agents (409, Spic & Span, Clorox Bleach, etc.)
- Paper Towels
- Storage Containers for food( ie. Glad brand Stack-ables)



## Toiletries:

- Bath Soap
- Deodorant/Antiperspirant
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo
- Conditioner



These items can be purchased at most Dollar Stores and were recommended by Family Renew.

### **Service Opportunities**

Do you like to cook? We are looking for 4-5 homes who would be willing to cook and freeze a meal and bring it into church once a month. These meals will be given to families/individuals facing difficult times. Also, if you would be willing to provide nutritious and filling snacks for Confirmation Class on Wednesday afternoons, please see Pr. Nate for more info.

### **Confirmation Class**

Looking ahead to the 2021-2022 program year, we will be having confirmation classes. Confirmation class has traditionally been for those in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade here at Grace Lutheran Church. Yet, if you are in 6<sup>th</sup> grade during the 2021-2022 school-year and would like to participate or if you will be past 8<sup>th</sup> grade and have never been confirmed and would like to participate, please let us know. Confirmation is on Wednesday evenings from 4-5pm and starts Sept. 29th.

### **New Members**

If you know of any friends or neighbors who come to Grace Lutheran Church and would be interested in joining, 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!

### **New Worship Guidelines Update**

Sadly, Florida is experiencing a major spike in Covid infections. Our prayers are with those dealing with Covid, and those who are working tirelessly to care for patients. We ask all worshippers to continue to wear a mask inside the building. We ask that any conversations before or after worship occur outside (and not the narthex or sanctuary). We appreciate your cooperation in staying open and safe.





## **PARISH NURSE NEWS September 2021**

**Taking suggestions for future newsletter topics!!!**

### **OH MY ACHING HIPS:**

**Many people, including me, have problems with pain as we age. Doctors will tell you most patients complain about hip pain and are the result of many factors. With age and constant use, the cartilage can wear down or become damaged. So, what can we do to help relieve all our pain. Here are a few suggestions:**

- 1. Lose weight- Overweight people have more pressure put on the hip joint and increase in pain levels.**
- 2. Exercise- Start slow and avoid high impact exercise. Aquatic exercises are good as they decrease stress on joints.**
- 3. Lift items evenly- Our hips absorb most of the weight, and it increases the pressure on one side if you don't lift an item evenly.**
- 4. Maintain good body alignment- Those high heels women wear are a future avenue for hip pain!!**
- 5. Ice will help relieve pain and heat will loosen muscles around the hip.**
- 6. Medications- Always check with your doctor before taking any medications for pain.**
- 7. Massage, acupuncture, and chiropractor are other means of relieving pain.**

**As my doctor often says to me "Move it or Lose it"**

**Norma Weaver, R.N., CNOR**

Learning Today



Leading Tomorrow

## Noah's Ark Preschool

### September 2021- Newsletter

Visit our  
webpage:

[gracelcob.org](http://gracelcob.org)

School has started, and we have increased our enrollment by 6 students. Our VPK program has 22 students with two teachers, Ms. Marigold and Ms. Patti. They are busy learning the Pledge of Allegiance, new songs, and of course, their ABC's. They will be getting their first State of Florida Test next week, when they return from the Labor Day weekend. This is the first assessment of where they "stand" in relation to the knowledge they will need for Kindergarten. They will be tested again in January to see if they have made any progress in their learning skills. Then they will be finally tested again in May to see if they are truly ready for Kindergarten. Last year's VPK did so well at the end of the year, that they were ALL ready for kindergarten

Our little ones are practicing walking in a line, going potty on the potty, and eating their own food at lunch time. Then there is the afternoon nap. The daily fussing has subsided, and most of the time they have been sleeping the two hours designated for "nap time".

Thanks again for your wonderful support for this school year. We are still buying some of the special supplies for the classroom, and we are well supplied with the everyday things we need. We really appreciate your support and belief in us.



## Birthdays

### Sept. Birthdays

02 Donald Fahs  
 05 Leah Anderson  
 05 Jackie Bendorf  
 07 Verne Lee  
 11 Nancy Condo  
 11 Al Kaeding  
 11 Tammy Picerno  
 12 Kimberly Hyatt  
 15 Steven Johnson  
 16 Hisako Wilsey  
 16 James Spicer  
 18 Fran Burdick  
 18 Wayne Jackson  
 18 Fred Perrino Jr  
 19 Nancy Eland  
 22 Paul Graeler  
 23 Christopher Picerno  
 24 Patricia Stratton



29 Nancy Ann Flaherty

30 Joyce Moore

### October Birthdays

05 Barbra Sparber-Barnes  
 06 Debra Rose Secunda  
 07 Bill Larson  
 07 Mary Wilde  
 10 Pastor Nate Bendorf  
 10 Sue Groover  
 11 Patti Asmus  
 13 Randy Johnson  
 20 Ruth Haeseker  
 21 May Johnson  
 22 Mattias Jeffery Hanke  
 23 Katie Lang  
 23 Sarah Covitt



## Anniversaries

### Sept. Anniversaries

03 Pastor Nate & Sarah Bendorf  
 09 Bill & Sandy Larson  
 09 Dan & Susan Lang  
 15 Ted & Carol Macleod  
 16 Joe & Nancy Spero

### October Anniversaries

06 Scott & Fran Burdick  
 13 Richard & Joyce Jeanes

Let everything that  
 breathes praise the LORD!  
 Praise the LORD!  
 Psalm 150:6

### 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	Temporarily paused due to Covid
Coffee Fellowship	Temporarily paused due to Covid
Gift Shop	15 minutes before & after Sunday worship
Quilters	Tuesdays at 9:30am
Church Council	Third Wednesday at 12:30pm
Bible Study	Thursdays at 10:00am via Zoom
Social Club Luncheon	Temporarily paused due to Covid

