

Good News From Grace



God's work. Our hands.



Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

Celebrating Our 60th Year



2022, HERE IT COMES?!

Do you see that date on the left side of this paper - it is correct, the year is 2022!!

New Year. Same God.

The writer of Hebrews says, "*Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever*". This is a promise; a promise that provides comfort and hope as we enter into yet another year. 2020 the unthinkable happened - a global pandemic. 2021 seemed to offer glimpses of hope, only to leave us frustrated and grieving as more variants, more violence and more loss occurred.

All of this leaves us wondering, what will 2022 bring?

To be honest, I am not sure. But I do know and trust this: God is still for us and with us. God's love knows no boundaries. God's mercy shows up in the most unexpected places and times. Jesus is the Way, Truth and Life. And God's grace is sufficient.

These are Gospel truths! It is these truths that we cling to in good times and in bad times. It is these truths which provide abundant life, life that is in this world but not of this world. Life that is abundant because it is a gift from God. Life that is eternal because it is found in the Resurrected Christ.

And it is these truths that will not change, because Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever. And to this, we can all say, AMEN!

Happy New Year!

In Christ,

Pr. Nate



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

CHURCH FINANCIALS November 2021

INCOME	MONTH-Actual	MONTH-Budget	YEAR to Date-Actual
Regular Giving	\$ 12,355	\$ 11,500	\$ 140,928
Loose Offering	\$ 1,684	\$ 1,000	\$ 8,833
Other Income	\$ 5,252	\$ 6,631	\$ 63,757
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 19,291	\$ 19,131	\$ 213,518
EXPENSES	\$ 18,980	\$ 20,923	\$ 192,452
NET INCOME / LOSS	\$ 311	\$ (1,792)	\$ 21,066



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Carol Mahaffey

3/3/1938–12/12/2021

Carol joined Grace in 2013. She always laughed when members would ask her about her husband Bob. Bob was an elder at Ormond Beach Presbyterian Church, so on Sunday mornings he went there while she came here. They did attend a lot of functions at both churches as a couple. She always helped with clean-up at the Thanksgiving dinner, and she would often give Roy Spangler a hard time because they lived across the street from each other for years. As things became more difficult, Carol moved to Riviera Assisted Living and then on to Chicago to be with relatives. Burial will be in the Garden of Resurrection, at a later date to be announced, where she will join her husband, Bob. *May Carol rest in PEACE.*



Say hello to the confirmands at Grace!

These wonderful youth gather almost every Wednesday afternoon for a time of faith, fellowship and of course, fun!

This is just one of the awesome ministries here at Grace and beyond!

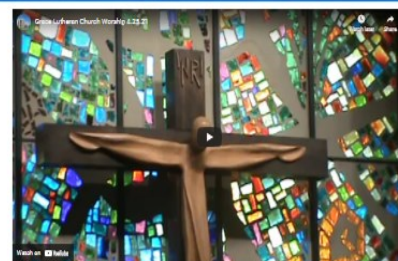
Thank you for being the church and supporting the ministries and programs at Grace and beyond!

Worship with Grace from anywhere!

All of our worship services are recorded and put online on our 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/>
 Grace's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/graceormondbeach/>



Worship Services

Jesus is Risen! He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!
 WHAT DOES RESURRECTION LIFE LOOK LIKE? PAUL LIKED IT!
 JOIN US ON SUNDAY'S AT 10AM AS WE WORSHIP TOGETHER
 WHAT LIFE WITH CHRIST AND LIFE IN THIS WORLD LOOKS LIKE AND PAUL LIKED IT. KNOWING THE TOMORROW IS HAPPY!
 THE THIRD DAY, EASTER, CHANGED EVERYTHING.

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. We gather for worship at 10am on Sunday mornings. We would love to have you visit! Worship services are also posted virtually on Grace's website, YouTube page, and Facebook page.



2021 'Needs of the Month' Recap

We have been blessed to help so many organizations in 2021, including:

Family Renew

Domestic Abuse Council

Good Samaritan Society

Halifax Urban Ministries

Hakuna Matata Children's Choir

P.A.C.E. (Practical Academic Cultural Education)

Pregnancy Crisis Center

Project Christmas Comfort

Clothes, shoes and toys for children at

Beachside Elementary School

Toys for Family Renew

Cans of Vegetables for Jerry Doliner Food Bank

Our own special events included:

Bake Sale

Noah's Ark Preschool

The Pumpkin Patch

Souper Bowl Sunday

Thanksgiving & Christmas Dinners for families in need

Trunk Sale



Thank you so much for all of the support we have received throughout the year in spite of Covid-19, and all of its restrictions. We are blessed to be a blessing!

- *The Social Ministry Committee*

Sandy Lort (chairman)

Marlitt Boettcher

Jan Jaspers

Judy Lee

Patricia Major

Joyce Moore

Kay Paciello

Leah Rockholz

Mary Ann Stoneking





Weekly Bible Study



Our weekly bible study is meeting via zoom on Thursday's at 10am.

We have been digging into the book of Acts and hearing how the promised Holy Spirit begins to build the church through the apostles. We would love for you to join in the discussion; no experience required :)

Please send an email to Pr. Nate in order to obtain the zoom link. If you need help setting up zoom on your computer or device, let us know.

All are invited!



Souper BOWL Sunday—Feb. 13th

Please bring in cans of soup for **"SOUPER" BOWL SUNDAY, February 13th.**

Let's utilize the 'Super Bowl of Caring' as a day of giving soup to feed those in need. This is a nationwide drive of the ELCA.

We are Blessed to be a Blessing!



BYOC—Bring your own cans!!!



Sanctuary Technology Project

As a church, our mission is to share the Good News of Jesus near and far. We continue to learn and adapt in how we do ministry in this digital and hybrid age. We have successfully added the technology to our sanctuary in order to record and share worship services and other events. We are building the capacity to live-stream worship services and events, if this is our desire as a congregation. If you would be interested in helping with audio/visual, please let the office know.

Make sure to view our online worship services at www.gracelcob.org.

Also, feel free to share the services with family and friends!

Grace Gift Shop

Need a birthday gift, anniversary gift, or Christmas present? Make sure to check out the Grace Gift Shop, located in the fellowship hall by Sue's office.

The gift shop is full of wonderful items! Proceeds from the gift shop go towards Grace's mission and ministry!

Stop by before or after worship.

Quilters Are Working

Everyone is welcome.

No experience necessary.

Quilters meet Tuesdays at 9:30am

to work on quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Join us for this worthwhile project and good fellowship.

Hope to see you Jan. 4th!

January Need of the Month



An alternative high school for girls which works toward improving the quality of life for girls at risk.

PACE promotes and enables young women ages 12 to 18 to develop self-esteem, further their education, and to develop personal, social and family relationship skills, thereby becoming productive citizens. The program provides small classrooms with individualized curriculum, individual, group and family counseling at no cost to the student or family and also provides a 3 year transition services component to insure continued success after completion.

PACE is in need of:

Toiletries—shampoo, conditioners, combs, hair brushes, tooth brushes, toothpaste, etc.

School Supplies—paper, pens, pencils, rulers, notebooks, folders, etc.

Make-up—lip gloss, eye shadow, eye liner, etc.

Church Un-Decorating

We will gather at 9am on Saturday,
January 8th to un-decorate the church.



Thank you!



Lutheran Disaster Response: Tornado Relief

There is a designated offering plate in the back of the sanctuary if you would like to give a donation to LDR in order to provide relief efforts for those affected by the storms in the USA.

Lord, have mercy.



Just a reminder:

Annual Reports
are due

Friday, January 7th.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, February 13th
After the Worship Service

Agenda

- Meeting Called to Order
- Opening Prayer
- Approval of Congregational Meeting Agenda

Business

- Approval of Previous Congregation Meeting Minutes in 2021
- Review and Approval of Financial Reports for 2021
- Approval of the End of Year Reports of the Congregation

Closing Prayer
Adjourn

THANK YOU BAKE SALE BUYERS & VOLUNTEERS!

We wish to thank everyone who prepared baked goods for our sale, as well as all of you who bought the baked goods. Our total sales for this year were \$500.00, which is amazing!



We hope you enjoyed your goodies!

Save the Date!

Grace Lutheran Trunk Sale
Saturday, Jan. 22nd
9:00am—12:00pm

Donate unused treasures and come to shop!

2022 Calendars

The Bell Choir has their 2022 Calendars for sale, featuring the wonderful pictures of Scott Burdick. Purchase your calendar on Sunday mornings or by stopping into the church office. Thank you for supporting the bell choir! (\$15)



Learning Today



Leading Tomorrow

Noah's Ark Preschool

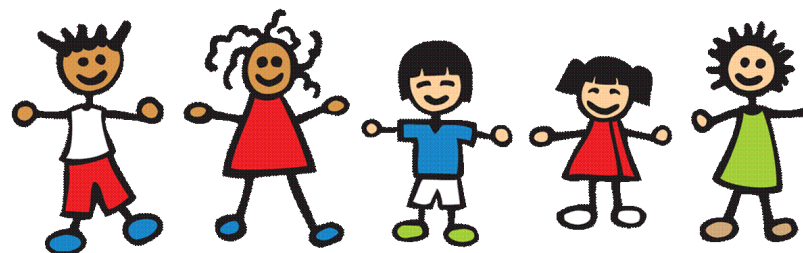
January 2022 - Newsletter

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at:
www.gracelcob.org

We had a "pajama" Christmas party, complete with dancing to Christmas carols, watching the "Elf" movie, Ms. Carol reading Christmas stories to us, and of course, getting our very own stuffed animal! We got to pick it out ourselves, so we got the one "we" wanted. Many smiles and happy students. We also got a goody bag filled with coloring pages, crayons, candy, food, slap bracelets, and glow sticks. Then we got to eat pizza, our very favorite thing to eat. What a wonderful time for all. The best part -VACATION!!! We said good-bye to the Elf on the Shelf, and gave him lots of things to tell Santa. All good things, of course, because we want lots of presents under the tree, and Santa only brings them to kids that got a good report from the elf. All of us were very good, so...the elf had nothing but good things to tell Santa.

January is an exciting month because we are going to learn more sight words, put them into sentences, and then we will be reading books. Granted they are small books with just a few sentences, however, they are BOOKS. Then we can say we know how to read. You can check our progress on the door to Ms. Sue's office because we get stars for every book we read, and after 12 stars, we get to pick out a toy to take home. Some people call it a bribe, but we call it a reward for hard work and a job well done. We also will have our second State of Florida tests, to see how well we are doing and if we are really learning important things like numbers, letters, shapes, sizes, graphing, etc. We are also learning to write our name, without any help. All those months of tracing our name everyday is paying off. Our teachers aren't sure we are smarter now than in September when we took the first test, but we know we are a lot smarter.

We want to say thank you to everyone at Grace for your continued support throughout the year. Maybe Covid will go away so we can have a concert in the spring. We really want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a peaceful and Happy New Year filled with many blessings.





Calling all Choir Members and Musicians!

Hi! I am excited to begin reforming the Grace vocal choir and bell choir and to continue to provide faithful and meaningful music in worship. If you are interested in participating in the vocal or bell choir, or any other music ministries, would you please email me, Sara, at sarabooth@ufl.edu

We will have an informal gathering after worship on Sunday, January 9th to meet and discuss the programs. Rehearsals will begin in mid-January.

Also, if you are ever interested in helping with music during worship (solo's, instrumentalists, etc.), please let me know!

Hymn of this month: *Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming*

"This is a hymn about beholding and listening. It's about watching revelation flourish." The tune we now know first appears in a regional hymnal in 1599 as "Es Ist ein Ros Entsprungen." Michael Praetorius, a court composer in central Germany, wrote the familiar harmonization 10 years later. There have been a few changes to the text since then—more German verses were added in the 19th century, and the most common English translation was written in 1894—but essentially none to the music. Hear the song today, in church or in a mall, and you'll almost certainly hear the exact chords Praetorius picked, in the order he picked them.

Excerpt from *The Atlantic*: 'Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming' Is a Musician's Christmas Carol'
By Robinson Meyer 12/25/15

Sara Booth

The Garden of Resurrection

is a peaceful, beautiful part of our church, a final resting place for our loved ones. Single and double niches (for cremains) are available for members of the church or families who already have loved ones interred there. Please contact the church (386-677-9141) for an appointment.



January Birthdays

01 Carol Macleod
 02 Deb Kearns
 08 Scott Burdick
 09 Paul Dammes
 11 Ted Macleod
 11 Lorraine Perrino
 12 Jessy Crabb
 15 Patricia Westbrook
 16 Sally Carter
 17 Patricia Major
 20 Cathy Quel
 23 Joyce Jeanes
 26 Richard Nagel
 26 Walter Secunda
 27 Lionel Marcoux
 29 Gladys Lemin



February Birthdays

02 Amber Thomas
 07 Samantha Loukes
 09 Ryan Covitt
 10 Gerry Spies
 13 Donna Hauge
 13 Liam Bobak
 19 Michael Covitt
 19 Patricia McNamara
 22 Beth Graeler
 23 Anna Ellingworth
 23 Gabriella Rodermond
 28 Carolyn Gerard
 28 Fred Boettcher
 28 Aidan Liddle



January Anniversaries

03 Pr Dennis & Betsy Meyer
 07 Paul & Elizabeth Graeler
 09 Judi Bacon & Ed Mikulski
 15 Rocco & Tammy Picerno
 16 Les & Kelly Prairie
 25 David & Joy Liddle
 28 Cliff & Lu Gaw

February Anniversaries

04 Terence & Carol Tissiere

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 and place in the offering plates—many quarters make a difference!



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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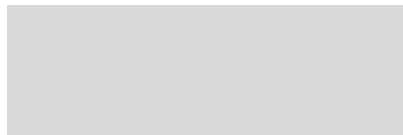
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Activity Schedule

WEEKLY WORSHIP SERVICE 10am on Sundays!

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 1:30pm
Bible Study	Thursdays at 10:00am via Zoom
Social Club Luncheon	Temporarily paused due to Covid

