

Good News From Grace



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Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

Celebrating Our 60th Year



Jesus is Risen! He is Risen, indeed! Alleluia!

We give thanks to God for the promises found in the resurrection of Jesus - the forgiveness of sins and the opportunity for new life, abundant life, with God starting now and lasting forever.

As we (Grace) continue to move forward as the Body of the Risen Christ, we seek to live a common life of purpose, of meaning, of grace; a resurrected life in Christ, if you will. What does that look like for you, as a member and part of the Body of the Risen Christ, in this place and in this time? What are your passions, skills, and gifts and how are you utilizing them for the advancement of the Kingdom? Jesus invites us to go and share the Good News: Jesus is alive, and so are we, in Him!

There are many ways to get involved here at Grace and beyond. From quilting to cooking, reading to ringing, praying to preparing, serving to singing; the possibilities to utilize your passions, skills, gifts and knowledge are really endless. And it really does make a difference. My hope is that you will be involved at Grace and beyond! That you will be a part of this living and breathing community. And that you will experience resurrection life.

As Paul tells the Corinthians, we are church together, we are better together, and we are all part of the Risen Lord!

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... Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.



1 Corinthians 12:12, 27

To God be the glory! - *Pr. Nate*

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President Vice President Secretary Council Members	Bill Lort Joyce Northridge Beth Graeler Ruth Haeseker Sandy Hostettler Cathy Quel Tom Starling Carl Wince

CHURCH FINANCIALS April 2022			
INCOME	MONTH-Actual	MONTH-Budget	YEAR to Date-Actual
Regular Giving	\$ 9,677	\$ 13,000	\$ 34,307
Loose Offering	\$ 1,365	\$ 740	\$ 4,652
Other Income	\$ 11,345	\$ 5,531	\$ 23,894
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 22,387	\$ 19,271	\$ 62,853
EXPENSES	\$ 22,810	\$ 20,408	\$ 62,638
NET INCOME / LOSS	\$ (423)	\$ (1,137)	\$ 215



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Ministry Programs Wrapping Up

As we wrap up our Bible Study class and Confirmation class for the program year near the end of May, we give thanks to God for the study of His Word, the presence of the Holy Spirit, and the mutual encouragement we experience during our studies. May God continue to lead us and grow us in faith and wisdom!



Confirmation and Bible Study classes will resume in the Fall. Join us!



Sunday Morning Worship - a work in progress!

There are a lot of different components and parts of a worship service, and it takes an entire team every Sunday to put it together. We would love for you to be involved! What gifts, skills and interests do you have? There are a lot of opportunities; *video production, communion setup, Scripture reading, acolyting, communion serving, sound system managing, coffee fellowship setup, greeting, ushering*...where would you like to contribute? Training is provided for all roles. As the church, we participate in worship for the glory of God and the good of our neighbors. Come and be involved. Come and experience.

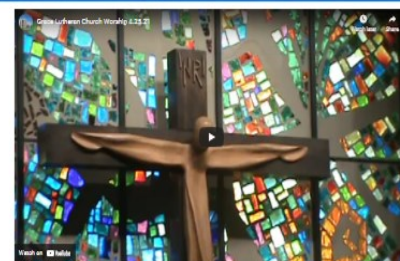
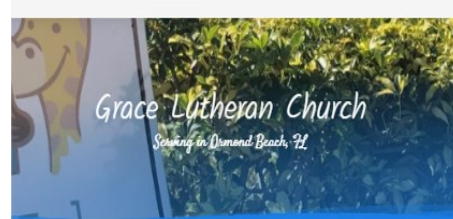
Let Ellie in the office know what your interested in!

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/>



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 programs here at Grace Lutheran Church. We want all people to feel welcome and to come and see what the Lord is up to!

Social Club Luncheon

We are happy to report that the Social Club will once again be getting together for our monthly luncheon. The first luncheon will be held at Alfie's Restaurant, 1666 Ocean Shore Blvd, Ormond Beach on Friday, May 20th at 12 noon. Sign-up sheets are located outside the Church Office. We will be ordering off the menu. If you have any questions, please contact the Church Office. The Social Club Luncheons offer an opportunity to meet new people and enjoy a great lunch in a relaxing atmosphere. Please join us!!!



CPR/First Aid Class

We will be having a CPR/First Aid Class, which is open to the public, on Saturday May 14, 2022 from 10 am until 1 pm. If you wish to get your two-year card or renew an existing CPR card, please contact Sue Underwood (386) 295-5951 or the Church Office. The class is limited to 20 people on a first-come first-served basis. The cost for the class is \$55.00.



May Need of the Month



The **Pregnancy Crisis Center** is a nonprofit, nonsectarian, non-political community service. We offer free confidential services to help prospective mothers and their babies, regardless of marital status, religion, race, or sexual orientation.

Our mission is simple. We help pregnant women have the opportunity to choose life for their babies. With a "Love First" approach, we strive to show mothers their own intrinsic worth and value so they are able to see the worth and value in the life they are carrying. We encourage them to finish their education and acquire job skills so they will ultimately achieve self-sufficiency.

All of our services are provided at no cost. We are not supported by any local, state, or federal funding. We are 100% funded by individuals, churches, organizations and businesses.

Material Donations Needed:

We accept gently used baby supplies: cribs, crib bedding, car seats*, strollers, high chairs, pack-n-play, clothing, blankets, bottles, maternity clothing, etc. **Car seats must be 5 years old or newer.*

Additionally, we are always in need of

- diapers,
- wipes,
- bath items, and
- diaper cream.



Worship Service Volunteers

Thank you so much to everyone who helped out during Holy Week! From our choirs and musicians, to greeters and readers, everyone is called to use their gifts, skills and passions for the glory and praise of God! Thank you!!

Fellowship Hour

Come and enjoy coffee, juice, goodies and most of all—good conversations—before worship services on Sunday.

Come anytime between 9am-10am into the Fellowship Hall.

All are welcome!

We share in fellowship together.



Bell Choir Rehearsals

The Grace Lutheran Bell Choir is beginning to practice. No experience required—come and learn to ring and together we will make music to the Lord!

Practices on Sundays after Worship



CHOIR REHEARSALS



The Grace Choir
will be rehearsing
on **Sundays**
at **9:00am**
in the Music Room

Please join us!
Everyone is welcome!

Happy Mother's Day

Grace Gift Shop

Need a birthday gift, anniversary gift, or something for yourself? 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.

Noah's Ark and the Church Office will be closed on Monday, May 30th in observance of *Memorial Day*.

Snowbirds and Vacationers

As you travel, don't forget, you can stay connected to Grace Lutheran Church wherever you are at:

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

Grace's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/graceormondbeach/>





PARISH NURSE NEWS– May 2022

PROTEIN AND FRUIT

When you think about eating fruit, I imagine you're not thinking about the amount of protein, and how it can help you. Some of the following fruits can help to add an extra dose of protein to your daily diet.

Guava- One cup of this fruit has 4.2 grams of protein and is high in Vitamin C and fiber. And, you can eat the whole fruit seeds and skin too!

Avocado- One cup will give you 3 grams of protein sliced or cubed, and 4.6 grams if it's mashed. It's also packed with fiber, healthy fat, and potassium.

Apricot- One cup of sliced apricot will give you 2.3 grams of protein.

Kiwi- There's 2 grams of protein per cup, and it's an easy fruit to prepare.

Blackberries and Raspberries- Blackberries have 2 grams per cup, and Raspberries have 1.5 grams per cup.

Bananas- There's 1.3 grams of protein with one medium banana, and another fruit high in potassium.

Cherries- Pitted cherries have 1.6 grams of protein and are sweet too!

Oranges and Grapefruit- Both are a great source of Vitamin C. One medium orange has 1.2 grams of protein, and grapefruit has 1.6 grams in a medium grapefruit.

Raisins- One ounce of this dried fruit will give you 1 gram of protein, and there's so many other foods to sprinkle them on.

Jackfruit- It packs 2.8 grams of protein per cup. (Not one that I like)!

So, pick your favorite fruit, and pack the protein!

"You will eat the fruit of your labor; blessings and prosperity will be yours"

Psalm 128:2



A NOTE FROM YOUR COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Thank you for the feedback from all of you! I was so glad to hear from you regarding your interests and concerns. Please continue to reach out to me because it helps to keep the Council informed regarding the needs of our congregation.

Currently, I am working on trying to set up a special Building Fund for possible renovations for our Church in the future. As our congregation continues to grow, we will need to identify what we need to do expand and grow with the congregation. While building such a fund could take years, I feel we need to start somewhere. Therefore, it is my hope that we can begin to think about the future with the establishment of such a fund.

I'm very happy that we have resumed our coffee hour prior to service on Sunday mornings. Thank you to everyone who has helped to get this going. The Social Club is once again holding their monthly luncheons. A luncheon has been arranged for Friday, May 20th, 12 noon, at Alfie's Restaurant. A Sign-up sheet is available outside the Church office.

It was so great to see everyone at Holy Week and Easter Services. Pastor Nate did such a great job! We need to see attendance like that every Sunday!

We are in need of new items for our Gift Shop. If you do Spring cleaning and have anything that you would like to donate, please call the Church Office. We still need volunteers for the Altar Guild, Ushers and Sunday morning Greeters. Please see Joyce Northridge or myself, if you would like to help. Helping in any capacity can be another way to serve the Lord and it can be a very rewarding experience. Last, but not least, I would like your feedback and ideas for attracting young people back to our Church. Think about it and let me know. Thank you for your help.

Bill Lort—President

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.

Grace's email addresses: glc50@cfl.rr.com (Ellie) noahsark1@cfl.rr.com (Sue), revbendorf@gmail.com (Pastor)

Grace's phone number: 386-677-9141

When in doubt, just call and ask the office. Thank you!

Learning Today



Leading Tomorrow

Noah's Ark Preschool

May 2022 - Newsletter

Visit our webpage
at:
www.gracelcob.org

We had a wonderful visit from the Easter Bunny. We got to decorate our bags with our very own name on them, and then best of all, we got to walk around the church and visit all of the stations to get more eggs. There was a station for guessing how many jelly beans in a jar, how tall was the bunny, pin the tail on the dinosaur, carry a ball on the spoon and walk across the front of the church, guess how many eggs in the basket, and last but not least, guessing the color of the eggs. We got an egg at every station plus a slap bracelet and a dinosaur bracelet. What fun we had. The girls won the guessing prizes, and the boys had fun. We had treats in the classroom and cookies for deserts. A fun morning for all. Then we had a 3 day weekend because of something called "Holy Week"! April is a fun month.

We are very pleased to announce that we have been awarded a grant from the Early Learning Coalition through the State of Florida, to renovate our playground. The grant also includes some additional monies for our staff, and provides for them to get a raise in their hourly rate. We are in the process of procuring the playground companies to give us bids on the equipment we want. We will give you updates and pictures as we go along. Obviously, we are required to document our expenditures, and we are limited to spending the money on staff and direct facility enhancements, so stay tuned for all of our updates. The work has to be completed before the new school year starts on August 15th.

May is the month of final testing to see if our VPK children are ready to start kindergarten. Our January tests showed a marked improvement in their "A,BC's/1-2-3's", so we are really looking forward to seeing how their final scores fall in the spectrum. We will give you a final report in the next newsletter.

We continue with our waiting list in all classes, and look forward to adding children at the end of the month of May going into the summer program.

Thanks again for all of your support, well wishes and prayers. See you next month.





Dear Grace Lutheran Church Congregation,

Holy Week was a delightful event and with the Divine intervention of the Holy Spirit and a marvelous team-effort, we got through it like a breeze. I would like to highlight and thank our soloists; Lionel Marcoux and Spencer Earnhardt; our musicians, Donna Hauge (*violin*), Lu Gaw (*keyboard*), Josue Varela (*guitar, cello, vocal*), Scott and Fran Burdick (*bells*). The collaboration between the ensembles, Bell Choir and Chancel Choir, made the Easter Services memorable. We look forward to having more of this integration in the near future.

Another key person who helped keep things organized and running smoothly was our Church Secretary, Ellen Faust. The Music Program would like to also recognize and thank the media crew, Tom Starling, Sara Bendorf, and Shawn and Judy Lee for their preparations and help with all of our Holy Week and Easter Services. Just as it takes a village to raise a child, the same goes for organizing Holy Week and Easter Services.

The Music Program is going strong and moving forward with faith and purpose. Our Church Choir is once again singing at our worship services. However, we are still in need of additional choir members to help us grow. The very energetic, Bell Choir, is also revived and continues to ring their heavenly sound to praise the Lord. We hope to bring you many more surprises during the coming months as expectations continue to grow in our mission.

We will miss our snowbirds who will be departing for the summer. We offer our prayers and best wishes for a safe and happy journey. Please return to us soon and safely.

One of the missions of our Music Program at Grace Lutheran Church is raising up a loving and a musically diverse community. With this vision, I will be collaborating with my friend, Josue Varela, on an entrepreneurial project that we will call "*Music By the Sea*". At the basic level, will be offering music lessons (piano, cello, guitar and voice) for all ages to anyone in the community. We will charge reasonable fees for the lessons. It is our hope to help foster a solid community of music lovers and supporters. In the future, we may even be able to sponsor concerts and recitals featuring some of our local talent. If you want to know more about this project, how to support us, or inquire about music lessons, pre-launch rates and promotions, please reach out to us at: musicbythesea.lessons@gmail.com or text: Music By-The-Sea Inquiry (386)275-7271.



Blessings,
Sara Booth, Music Director



May Birthdays

04 Lois Reiter
 04 Amanda Flaherty
 05 Rocco Picerno
 08 Gail Starling
 09 Richard Brunelle
 09 Kenneth Berglund
 12 Bill Lort
 13 Doris Earnhardt
 18 Diane Miller
 18 Gina Abate
 19 Judy Dammes
 21 Sandy Lort
 25 Patricia Hubert
 26 Betty Spies
 27 Paul Kinzer
 27 Kelley Lang
 27 Carolyn Ulrich
 28 Lynette Good



31 Colby Blum
 31 Lexi Thomas

June Birthdays

01 Nancy Spero
 02 Jessy Hazelip
 03 Julie Wanhala
 03 Eric Weingartner
 06 Susan Lang
 08 Mare Koehneke
 14 Ivey Benson
 14 Norma Weaver
 16 Dave Bendorf
 16 Margaret Moody
 18 Justin Hyatt
 22 Arnie Porsch
 23 Izy Bendorf
 24 Jordan Crabb
 24 Derrick Hietala

May Anniversaries

08 Jack & Gail Atkinson
 12 Mark & Jessy Crabb
 19 Michael & Sarah Covitt

June Anniversaries

01 Paul & Becky Kinzer
 17 Bud & Carolyn Gerard
 18 Art & Deb Olson

*Happy Birthday & Anniversary
 Celebrations!*

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! **Grace Quarterstone Project**



**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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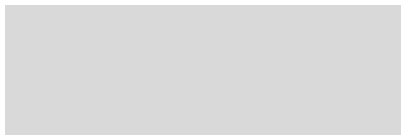
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Activity Schedule

WEEKLY WORSHIP SERVICE 10am on Sundays!

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

Sunday's at 9am
Sunday after worship
Open Sunday's at 9am
15 minutes before & after Sunday worship
Tuesdays at 9:30am
Third Thursday at 1:00pm
Thursdays at 10:00am via Zoom
May 20th at Alfie's at 11:30am

