

Good News From Grace



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Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

Celebrating Our 63rd Year

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From the Pastor :

It's November 2024. Of course, we already know this.

We've set our clocks back an hour which means it gets dark earlier in the evening – and our bodies need to adjust.

And, the USA just voted for President. For some of us, their candidate won. For others, their candidate lost. What the coming of the next four years will be in our country remains to be seen.

And, we come to the closure of the Church Year on Sunday, November 24 (also the Sunday before Thanksgiving). And the Good News of the Sunday before Thanksgiving is that we are celebrating Christ the King – the Lord of Lords, the King of the Universe, who gave his Life for us, and who WILL bring in the fullness of his Kingdom.

For me, Christ the King Sunday is a reminder that the Lord of Life holds each of us dear to Him, and that his power of forgiveness, love, healing, and offering Himself for us, that we, too, may be like Him in this earthly realm – to bring His love, forgiveness and compassion to all.

Let us celebrate the Lord and King Jesus, our Savior.

Peace be with all of you,
Pr. Johanna

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Vice President	Thomas Starling
Secretary	Beth Graeler
Treasurer	Sandy Hostettler
Council Members	Richard Brown Bob Russell
	Pete Koehneke Cathy Quel

CHURCH FINANCIALS as of October 31st, 2024

INCOME	MONTH-Actual	MONTH-Budget	YEAR to Date-Actual
Regular Giving	\$ 11,205	\$ 13,500	\$ 107,350
Loose Offering	\$ 228	\$ 900	\$ 4,648
Other Income	\$ 9,216	\$ 5,910	\$ 78,441
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 20,649	\$ 20,310	\$ 190,439
EXPENSES	\$ 15,416	\$ 23,386	\$ 202,898
NET INCOME / LOSS	\$ 5,233	\$ (3,076)	\$ (12,459)



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Congregational Meeting

**Please mark your Calendar and plan to attend
The Congregational Meeting
Sunday, December 15th
Immediately Following Service**



Church Decorating

Join in the fun and help get our Church ready for the holidays. We will be decorating, Friday December 6th at 3pm and Saturday December 7th, 12 noon. Bring a friend and a smile!



Attention: Quilters

Quilting is Cancelled on Tuesday, November 26th
Will Resume on Tuesday, December 3rd at 9:30am

Happy Thanksgiving!!!



Pumpkin Patch 2024

The pumpkins were delivered Saturday, October 5th, 2024 at 2:30 pm. While they were scheduled to arrive at 3:00 pm, our tireless workers, Jim Heffner and Ken Pitt, began the task of unloading. They were soon joined by Amber Bobak and her family, countless church members, many students from Seabreeze High School and our favorite group from Embry-Riddle University. The pumpkins were unloaded in record time.

Shortly after the pumpkin delivery, we were hit by Hurricane Milton. Miraculously, our pumpkins were not hurt by the wind or rain. However, our parking lot was flooded and with the Church without power, we lost over week in pumpkin sales.

As always our congregation and the community supported us and we were able to sell over \$5,398. worth of pumpkins.

On Saturday, October 26th, we hosted our Annual Fall Festival at the Pumpkin Patch. With some old-fashioned pumpkin patch games and a fun Bounce House, the event was a success.

We are truly blessed by so many neighbors, friends and congregation members who always support our Patch. Thank you everyone.



November Needs of the Month

We are collecting 100 cans of Corn and 100 cans of Green Beans. These canned goods will be given to Thrivent for their Annual Christmas dinner for the homeless. **Please bring the canned goods to Church by December 10th .** Boxes will be provided for your donations.



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We are also collecting new un-wrapped toys for **The Family Renew Children's Christmas Party**. The ages for the children range from infants thru teenagers. They have many children in their program in need of gifts.

Please bring the new un-wrapped toys to church by December 3,

Boxes will be provided for the toys.

If you would like to give a monetary donation, please make your check out to Grace Lutheran Church and indicate "Social Ministry". We will use your donation to purchase needed toys.



*Thank you for your Generosity!
To God be the glory!*



Lunch Bunch Luncheon

The November Lunch Bunch luncheon
will be held on Friday, November 15th at
12 noon

Big Tunas Bar and Grill
Bellair Plaza

(Big Tunas Restaurant stands alone in the Parking lot closer to
A1A)
Ormond Beach.

Church Office Closed

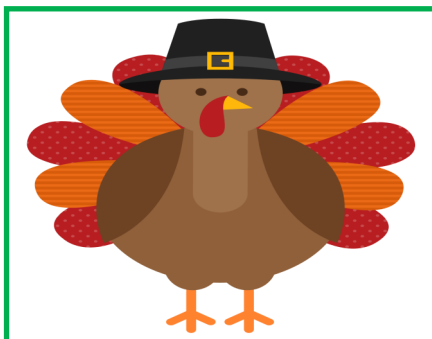
The Church Office will be closed Monday 11-25 thru Friday 11-29.

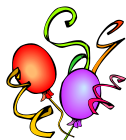
Ellie is on vacation!

Hurricane Milton

On Wednesday, October 9th, 2024, Hurricane Milton flew into Ormond Beach. While we did everything possible to protect our church, we still suffered some damage and had to cancel our Sunday service on October 13th. Once again, our parking lot was totally under water for several days. Power was out for over a week. We had roof leaks at several locations. When power was finally restored, it was initially only partial power. The partial power was not enough to run the air conditioning units and burnt out a motor. It also affected computers in the Church Office. Since the motor was recently replaced in December of 2023, it was still under warranty. This saved us from having to spend additional funds to replace it. We have since learned, that in the event of the a power failure we need to turn off various circuit breakers to prevent this from happening.

Most of the repairs have been done. We were blessed that everyone was safe. Things can always be replaced but people cannot.





Birthdays



Anniversaries

November Birthdays

02 Richard Jeanes
 04 Linda Moeller
 08 Kenneth Pitt
 09 Riley Crabb
 09 Jackie Vores
 10 June Popelar
 11 Tom Starling
 14 Jack Atkinson
 14 Joy Liddle
 20 Ann Jacoby
 21 Winfred Kahn
 21 Diane Pernak
 22 Carol Tissiere
 28 Cathy McCardell

December Birthdays

10 Pete Koehneke
 15 Laraine Isom
 16 Gail Atkinson
 18 Kay Paciello
 19 Art Olson
 23 Carole Hedges



November Anniversaries

01 Franklin & Catherine Quel
 14 Spencer & Doris Earnhardt
 28 Howard & Barbra Sparber-Barnes

December Anniversaries

20 Tom & Gail Starling



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 6 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: \$40 flowers, \$30 Elements - 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



Activity Schedule

WEEKLY WORSHIP SERVICE 10 am

Coffee Fellowship	Sundays After Service As Announced
Gift Shop	15 minutes before & after worship
Quilters	Tuesdays at 9:30am
Church Council	Third Thursday at 1pm
Bible Study	ON HOLD
Lunch Bunch Lunch	November 15th at 12 noon
	Big Tunas

