

To know Christ and to make Christ Known - "Connecting people to people, people to Christ, people to their role in the world"

Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church!

"Sign of Greatness"

Your church Council is focusing on marks of healthy churches. A healthy church does not think along lines of division between "us" and "them", "we" together – all of us – the Body of Christ. Here are 2 "marks"...

1. Everyone is involved, engaged and 'has fun'.
(They want to be a part of Grace)
2. Nothing about Grace is unimportant.
(God's grace, and the church named Grace).



Our Parish Nurse, Joan Beeman, will be teaching a CPR Class on Saturday, August 19th, 9 AM to noon. Space is limited, so please see Joan if you are interested. The cost is \$30.00 and the class will take place in Grace Chapel.

Registration is necessary.



You did it again! The "teal bags" came back loaded with school supplies for Alexander, Forest Hills and Carrollwood Elementary Schools and Eckerd Raising Hope helping foster children. You donated 102 boxes with 10 pencils each, 50 packages markers, 114 boxes of crayons, 177 packages of pink erasers, 33 bottles of glue, 81 composition books, 25 binders, 45 rulers, 30 sets of colored pencils, 15 boxes of tissues, 33 pencil cases, 31 highlighters, 61 pairs of scissors, 42 packages index cards, 99 packages notebook paper, 217 spiral notebooks, 391 pens, 307 pocket folders, 10 backpacks, 4 book covers, 1 calculator, 1 compass, 1 package graph paper, 6 scotch tape rolls, 6 packages index tabs, 13 pencil sharpeners, 17 packages push pins, and 329 glue sticks. WOW! A lot of students will be helped by the generosity of Grace members. Thank you all so much!

Homeless in our Community Committee



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| August 20 – | Youth Mission/Houston kick-off Luncheon |
| September 3 | First Day of Sunday School |
| October 22 | WELCA Sunday |
| October 22 | Reformation Hymn Fest 4 PM |
| October 28 | Trunk or Treat |



Please be mindful of the pews designated for wheelchairs



Thrivent Night at the Rays, Saturday, August 12th!
RAYS UP!!!!



Bridge the Bay – Beer & Hymns
Tuesday, August 1st at 6:00 pm
Hosted by Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
Bay Harbor Hotel, Beach Bar & Restaurant
7700 W. Courtney Campbell Causeway

*For more information, please see the flyer on the bulletin board in Holmer Hall.



August 6th the "teal bags" will be handed out to collect for Undie Sunday. What is Undie Sunday you ask? We will be collecting new underwear and socks for boys and girls in grades kindergarten thru 3rd

grade who sometimes have accidents while they are at school. The donations will be given to Alexander, Forest Hills and Carrollwood Elementary schools plus Eckerd Raising Hope for social workers and police officers to have for children in emergency removal from their homes. We will be collecting the "teal bags" August 20th.

Thank you, members of Grace, for all you do to support those less fortunate.

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"GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS" PLANNING



Please contact Deacon/Seminarian Lois Sorensen at lsorensen001@luthersem.edu or use the sign-up sheet in Connections if you or your ministry group already has a "God's Work, Our Hands" community service project in mind.



August 27, 2017



Sunday, August 6th, during our 10 AM service



Do you have a Pastoral Request, Suggestion or Comment or Concerns that you would like to share? Our council president, Fred Borchers, has made it easier for you to do so. Locate the "Suggestion Box" on the Welcome Cart along with the forms to share your thoughts or send a message or request to Pastor John. You can remain anonymous if you wish.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, July 30th ONE SERVICE – 10 AM
EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
 10:00 AM Summer Worship Service
 11:15 AM Sunday school meeting
 3:00 PM Iglesia Evangelica Worship

Monday 10:00 AM Mah Jongg
 7:30 PM Inter. Proj. for Nurses

Tuesday 9:30 AM Hand & Foot
 10:00 AM Staff Meeting
 5:30 PM AA - On the Way Home
 7:00 PM Stephen Ministry

Wednesday 5:00 PM Inter. Proj. for Nurses
 7:00 PM Iglesia Evangelica Bible Study

Thursday 6:45 PM Westpark HOA
 7:00 PM AA – Alanon/ Alateen

Friday 12:00 PM AA Ladies Friendship

Saturday 9:30 AM Ancestor Hunters

Sunday, August 6th ONE SERVICE – 10 AM
NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Blessing of the Backpacks
 10:00 AM - Summer Worship Service
 3:00 PM - Iglesia Evangelica Worship

Flowers –
McCulloch –
Eternal Flame – Maggie Gould & family; *In loving memory of my brother, Charlie, our forever angel.*
Metropolitan Ministries – Anonymous

Attendance – July 23, 2017 - 10:00 am service – 150



Dear Pastor John, Thank you for the generous gift of \$160.00.

You may not realize it, but your compassion has far-reaching effects beyond the meals and other critical care you make possible.

You are HOPE because you not only help alleviate suffering, promote dignity and instill self-sufficiency, but you remind people who feel hopeless that somebody cares about them. And that is everything to them. Thank you for caring and for your ongoing support!

With gratitude, Tim Marks, President & CEO
 Metropolitan Ministries

Dear Pastor Hillmer, Thank you for the donation.

During these times when the community is in great need, it is a blessing to have the support of Grace Lutheran Church and to have faithful supporters of our work carry the message of our mission to their congregation.

Hundreds of professional health care volunteers tend to the needs of thousands of patients each year. Last year over 35, 000 patient visits were recorded and our fully stocked state licensed pharmacy dispensed nearly \$1,000,000 worth of medications free of charge to the working poor of our community.

On behalf of the Judeo Christian Health Clinic and those lives touched by the care provided here, please accept our sincere thanks for your generous support.

Best Regards, Kelly Bell, MBA, Executive Director
 Judeo Christian Health Clinic, Inc.

REMEMBER...you can now download the GIVE + App

to make your donations. Search **“GivePlus Church”** to quickly find and download the app today! If you need assistance, there are printed directions at the Welcome Center or see David Vickers.

Also look for our online giving link that will appear on our updated website that will be launched very soon!



Please remember to **communicate with the office regarding updates of your loved ones on our prayer chain and/or prayer list.*



Condolences: To Tom Jackman and his family on the passing of his cousin Dennis White.

To the Burmeister Family; Randy’s mother, Betty, passed away on Wednesday.

Members: Nadine Anderson, Diana Otterness, Barb Ewanowski, Richard Jesse, Jeanie LaBudie, David Frost, Mary Strous, Barb Ewanowski, Joanne Ebert, Betty Freshcorn, Sandy Laettner, Muriel Davies, Kathleen Jenkins, Wilda Crouse, Lee Pilcher, Maggie Scott, Ron Lofgren, Don Stoddard, Louise McMonegal, McCulloch Group Home (especially Karl & Mary), and for our loved ones...

Destiny Lamoree	great niece of	Maggie Gould
Bobby Leira	nephew of	Barbara Pilcher
Nancy Long	cousin of	Julie LaFluer
Suzie Ball	cousin of	Jerralynne Duncan
Gerald VanPay	father of	Kipp VanPay
Carrie Jahn	niece of	Susan McCulloch
Terry Bellesfield	cousin of	Nancy Richardson
Joanne Planz	sister of	Joe Planz
Judy Durkin	sister of	Walt Durkin
Paul	brother of	Jean Harrison
Tommy Massey	husband of	Rece Massey
Margaret McClung	relative of	Bev Harris
Doreen Betts	sister-in-law of	Bev Harris
Molly Gutcher	sister-in-law of	Allan Gutcher
Sandi Barcarolo	daughter-in-law of	Diane Lofgren
Cindy Conradt	sister-in-law of	Ron Conradt
Diana Dunaway	daughter-in-law of	Jerralynne Duncan
Greg Corby	cousin of	Joan Beeman
Roberta Larson	mother of	Sally Rojas
Ed Watkins	brother of	Betty Fisher
Bob Dorman	father of	Laura Shepherd
Carolyn Davis	cousin of	Sherrill O'Brien
Cheryl Walker	niece of	Mary Threm
Leah Sylvan	sister-in-law of	Ruth Anderson
Cindy Wyar	sister of	Carol Zwick
Helen Lofton	mother of	Valerie Morgan
Robin Valder	daughter of	Fred & Betty Freshcorn
John Beeman	brother of	Richard Beeman

LONG TERM

Members: Kathy Gjertson, Sharon Olenksi, Garth & Helen Heckley, Jo Ann Sipes, Anita Hans, Marion Bennett, Ruth Rahman, Residents of Arden Courts, Brighton Gardens and Brookdale.

Leone Sorensen	mother of	Lois Sorensen
Jeannine Jacobson	mother of	Jan Abraham
Anna Witte	mother of	Diana Otterness
Keith Hess	cousin of	Sandy Laettner
Roxie Thomas	mother of	David Thomas
Grace Corniuk	mother of	Gina Corniuk
Rocky Jordan	father of	Debra Noel

“Let there be Peace on Earth”

Pray for peace and for all military troops – at home and abroad and for their families, loved ones and friends.....

- ❖ Colonel Nicole Heumphreus, is stationed in Kuwait.
- ❖ 2nd Lt Timothy Donegan is stationed at Fort Knox, Kentucky.
- ❖ Army Lt. Corey Howard is in Kuwait, then Bagdad, Iraq. He is part of the 101st Airborne Division. (Karen Jankowski’s nephew)
- ❖ Chaplain Major Scott Hagen, stationed at Ft. McCoy, WI.
- ❖ Collin Welch who is currently stationed in the Mid East. (Alice Deal’s grandson).
- ❖ Juliana Harrison, Jean Harrison’s daughter, (coast guard) is stationed in Astoria, Oregon for the next four years as an Avionics Electrical Technician for helicopters.
- ❖ Staff Sgt. Mark Messina (Patti Joannes’ grandson) is stationed in Fort Bragg, North Carolina.
- ❖ Captain Kelsey Abert is being stationed in Seoul, South Korea.
- ❖ Captain Devlin Ann Abert is being stationed in Seoul, South Korea.
- ❖ Sergeant Christopher J. Cone stationed in Hawaii.
- ❖ Christopher Shephard – working in Jordan – United States Aid to International Development. (USAID)