

Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church!

GRACE LUTHERAN COUNCIL

Hello members of Grace. Your nominating committee is making good progress on filling the available positions on Council for 2018-2020. Please contact me or another member of the committee if you are interested in being considered for one of the following:

- Treasurer (two-year term)**
- Outreach (two-year term)**
- Endowment Committee (2) (three-year term)**

Nominating Committee:

- Tom Jackman
- Bob Barry
- Kerri Shaw
- Randy Smith
- Lois Sorenson
- Laurie Sweigart

girlfriends Grace Girlfriends will meet Sunday April 6, 2018 from 2:00 – 4:00 PM at the home of Connie Moffatt at 5410 Avenal Dr. in Lutz. She has us all very curious. She will be providing the program for us, but she won't tell us what it is all about . . . but we know it will be good. As usual, please bring an appetizer or a dessert to share. Kindly call Connie at 949-9485 to let her know if you will be able to attend.

ANCESTOR HUNTERS

Ancestor Hunters, a group of men and women in the area who are at various levels in their search for their family history, will be having their monthly meeting on April 7 at 9:30 a.m. in the church kitchen. All men and women who are interested in either beginning or building on what they have already learned about their families and would like to talk with like-minded folks for help, encouragement or celebration that a piece fell into place are welcome. *The group meets the first Saturday of every month.*



"Teal Bags" Help Feed the Homeless

April "teal bag" collection will be to collect disposable diapers for the **Oasis Pregnancy Center**. Bags will be handed out Sunday, April 15 and returned on Sunday, April 22. All sizes are needed but larger sizes are always in short supply. The Homeless in the Community committee appreciates your support of this ministry.



POETRY AND PRAISE CONCERT, April 28



Spirits on Fire presents -
Poetry & Praise

Saturday night, April 28, 2018 at 7 p.m.

Directed & scripted by Nancy Richardson, writings by Deborah Pedonti and Fred Borchers. The Team will offer their favorites featuring Special guest musicians. A free will offering will be gathered to enhance the sights & sounds of our sanctuary



SAVE THE DATES:

Chili Cook-Off / Pie Baking Contest / Talent Show
Sunday, April 15th at 5 pm
Enjoy dinner, dessert, and amazing talent!
(macaroni-and-cheese, salads, and other goodies will also be available)

\$5/person (tickets sold at door)

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

April 4 to May 16
10AM-12NOON



See and hear the word of God through the faithful witness of this prophet as he reveals what God would say to us. RSVP to Nadine Anderson at Nadine@gracelutherantampa.org



Dear Family of Grace,
You are so important to me and I want to thank all of you for the many prayers for my nephew upon his death and me and his family. To get the flowers from Sunday's Palm Sunday service was very special to me. I remember thinking how pretty they were during service and that was also my first day of feeling better physically & emotionally after 2 weeks. Thank you for your prayers, cards and care.
In God's care, Jerralyne Duncan

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, April 1st – EASTER SUNDAY

6:30	AM	Sunrise Service
8:30	AM	Traditional Service
9:45	AM	Resurrection Celebration
10:00	AM	Spirits on Fire warm-up
11:00	AM	Celebration Service
3:00	PM	Iglesia Evangelica Worship

Monday

10:00	AM	Mah jongg
7:30	PM	Nurses Intervention Program

Tuesday

9:30	AM	Hand & Foot
10:00	AM	Staff meeting
5:30	PM	AA - On the Way Home
7:00	PM	Worship & Music
7:00	PM	Stephen Ministries

Wednesday

5:00	PM	Nurses Intervention Program
7:00	PM	Iglesia Evangelica Bible Study

Thursday

7:00	PM	AA – Alanon/Alateen
7:00	PM	Westpark Preserve

Friday

12:00	PM	AA Ladies Friendship
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Saturday

9:00	AM	Diakonia
9:30	AM	Ancestor Hunters
9:30	AM	Spirits On Fire

Sunday, April 8th HEALTH FOCUS SUNDAY

8:30	AM	Traditional Service Baptism (Perrone)
9:45	AM	Sunday School
10:00	AM	Spirits on Fire warm-up
11:00	AM	Celebration Service
2:00	PM	Grace Girlfriends
3:00	PM	Iglesia Evangelica Worship

Altar Flowers – Kathy Crouthamel in honor of Bert's birthday.
Dave & Muriel Davies for the memory of our parents, Doris & Harry Bennett and Martha & Dick Davies.

McCulloch –

Metropolitan Ministries – Anonymous

Eternal Flame –

Attendance – Sunday, March 25, 2018

8:30 am - 210 11:00 am –116 - **TOTAL – 326**

Treasurer's Report as of February 2018

Category	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Over/Under YTD+(-) to Budget	Annual Budget
Income	43,216	32,592	10,624	459,340
Expenses	34,304	37,388	(3,084)	459,340
		(4,796)		
Profit/(Loss)	8,913	0	13,709	0 -

Total FYTD compared to budget: \$14k favorable.

- Giving to operations to date is favorable to budget by \$10.6k.

- Total Expenses are flat year over year

FYTD Compared to Prior Year: \$8K favorable due to higher giving in Feb.



Youth & Family Schedule

- **Sun 4/1** No foolin'! HS Youth lead the Easter Sunrise Service
- **Fri 4/6 – Sun 4/8** – River Rat Ramble @ Luther Springs (MS&HS)
- **Sun 4/15** – Chili Cook-off/Pie Baking Contest/Talent Show 5pm
- **Sun 4/29** – Pancake Breakfast / Youth Sunday (10 am service)



If you have recently donated baked goods for refreshments or a special event, **PLEASE** check the *kitchen and Connections* to retrieve your dishes **AND** thank you for sharing!

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

Congratulations: To Kent & Alice Fast on the birth of their second grandson, Luke Mariner Fast.

Members: Christopher Shepherd, Wilda Crouse, Rhonda & Savannah Schaeffer, Judy Barber, Betty Freshcorn, Betsy Owers, Kathleen Jenkins, Barbara & Lee Pilcher, Don Stoddard, McCulloch Group Home (especially Karl & Mary), and for our loved ones...

Taylor Rinel	granddaughter of	Sandy Taylor
Dan Gilmore	father of	Judi Dorn
Emilio	cousin of	Christie Kartchner
Elaine Julison	aunt of	Jan Abraham
Adam Cone	son-in-law of	Rev. Jim Cone
Ron Betts	brother of	Bev Harris
Alice	mother of	Jan Hillmer
Barry, Cindy, Suzanne	family of	Julie LaFleur
Nena		& daughter's mother-in-law
Francine Hernandez	mother of	Jane Hernandez
Kiley Cook	granddaughter of	The Richardson's
Shall Adams	daughter-in-law of	Mickey Castor
Molly Kirk-Martinez	daughter of	Maggie Gould
Anna & Steven	mother & son of	Walt Marsicano
Rich	son-in-law of	Mary Threm
Linda Niedermeier	sister of	Judy Copeland
Kimberly Tessmann	niece of	Lois Perrone
Nesam Judima Abraham	relative of	Jayden Sigamani
Vula Walker	sister of	Mary Threm
Diana Dunaway	daughter-in-law of	Jerralynne Duncan
Geraldine Roth	mother of	Maggie Gould
Gordon Lamoree	father of	Maggie Gould
Mack Russell/ Anna	cousin/ 2 nd cousin of	Mickey Castor
Terri Shepherd	sister-in-law of	Laura Shepherd
Richard Taylor	son of	Sandy Taylor
Ramon Ortiz	grandson of	Shannon Donegan
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
Molly Gutcher	sister-in-law of	Allan Gutcher
Sandi Barcarolo	daughter-in-law of	Diane Lofgren
Roberta Larson	mother of	Sally Rojas
Ed Watkins	brother of	Betty Fisher
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

LONG TERM

Members: Grace Ward, Doreen Dahl, Richard & Joan Jesse, Kathy Gjertson, Sharon Olenski, Jo Ann Sipes, Anita Hans, Ruth Rahman, Residents of Arden Courts, Brighton Gardens and Brookdale.

Robin Valder	daughter of	Fred & Betty Freshcorn
Jeannine Jacobson	mother of	Jan Abraham
Anna Witte	mother of	Diana Otterness
Keith Hess	cousin of	Sandy Laettner
Roxie Thomas	mother of	David Thomas

“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 - Kuwait
- ❖ 2nd Lt Timothy Donegan - Fort Rucker, Alabama
- ❖ 2nd Lt. Yadira Donegan – Fort Lee, Virginia
- ❖ Chaplain Major Scott Hagen - Fort Belvoir, Springfield, VA
- ❖ Collin Welch E4 - Alice Deal's grandson- Whidbey Island, Wash. State.
- ❖ Juliana Harrison - Astoria, Jean Harrison's daughter, Oregon as an Avionics Electrical Technician for helicopters in the CG.
- ❖ Staff Sgt. Mark Messina – deployed to Afghanistan, Patti Joannes' grandson and Shannon Donegan's nephew.
- ❖ Captain Kelsey Abert - Seoul, South Korea
- ❖ Captain Devlin Ann Abert – Fort Bliss, El Paso
- ❖ Sergeant Christopher J. Cone - Hawaii
- ❖ Christopher Shephard – Jordan, United States Aid to International Development. (USAID)
- ❖ Captain David Webb – Army - Fort Benning, GA