

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!

Wednesday Bible Study



(8 Week study)
January 17 – February 7, 10AM to 12 Noon
February 14 – March 7, 9:30AM to 11:30AM
At Grace Lutheran Church
Led by Nadine Anderson

The Gospel of Mark is not just good news about Jesus. It reveals, sometimes in surprising and scandalous ways, how Jesus is God's good news to us. This study takes 8 big questions based in the text and challenges participants to explore them thoughtfully together.



Grace Girlfriends will meet TODAY January 14, 2018 from 2:00 - 4:00 PM at the home of Linda Gravatt at 13141 Village Chase Circle in Tampa. During the busy holiday season, we did not have much of a chance to socialize. So at this month's meeting, we will take the time to relax and to catch up. As usual, please bring an appetizer or a dessert to share. Kindly call Linda at 963-0889 to let her know if you will be able to attend.

SAVE THE DATE

ANNUAL CONGREGATION MEETING
Sunday, January 28, 2018
Immediately following the 10:00 am service

The Reverend Pedro Manuel Suarez

As the Fifth Bishop of the
Florida-Bahamas Synod
Of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
12 noon - Saturday, January 20, 2018
St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church
9724 Cross Creek Blvd., Tampa, FL 33647



The Homeless in our Community Ministry would like to THANK our fabulous congregation, Thrivent and the Endowment Committee for your help in being such good stewards in collecting hoodies and light jackets for Raising Hope!

MARK, MY WORD

A study of the gospel of Mark as story

Beginning January 14, 9:45 AM in Grace Chapel

Facilitated by Jeffrey Anderson and based on *Mark as Story: An Introduction to the Narrative of a Gospel* (second edition) by Rhoads, Dewey, and Michie.



HEALTH FOCUS SUNDAY
BP Checks and health conversations
after **BOTH** services.

Youth Fundraiser

Mac 'n' Cheese/Cake Bake-off

Sunday, Jan 21st @ 5 pm

\$5/ticket @ the door



Think your mac 'n' cheese is the best?
Super proud of your mother's cake recipe?
Or maybe you just love to eat them both?

Then come on out and support the youth raise funds for
National Youth Gathering & Luther Springs!!

First Holy Communion classes are open to students in 3rd Grade



and up. A series of classes will be taught on Sunday afternoons beginning February 11th. Students will celebrate their First Holy Communion on Palm Sunday, March 25, 2018.

Call Nadine Anderson to register your child for these classes in the church office 961-8747 or email nadine@gracelutherantampa.org

2018 Sign-up Sheets

are posted in Connections!

Altar Flowers
Metropolitan Ministries
Eternal Flame

Please sign-up for sponsorship of any or all of the above groups. This is a great way to remember a loved one or celebrate an event or special occasion.

McCulloch Group Home
Donations to help defer costs on a daily basis.

Readers
Reading the scripture at the 8:30 am or 11 am church services or on special occasions.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, January 14th – Second Sunday after Epiphany

HEALTH FOCUS SUNDAY / KITCHEN CLOSED

- 8:30 AM Traditional Service
- 9:45 AM Sunday school
- 10:00 AM Spirits on Fire
- 11:00 AM Celebration Service
- 2:00 PM Grace Girlfriends
- 3:00 PM Iglesia Evangelica Worship

Monday KITCHEN CLOSED

- 10:00 AM Mah jongg
- 7:30 PM Nurses

Tuesday KITCHEN CLOSED

- 9:30 AM Dorcas
- 10:00 AM Tampa Pastors Conference
- 5:30 PM AA - On the Way Home
- 7:00 PM Stephen Ministry Class

Wednesday KITCHEN CLOSED

- 7:00 PM Nurses
- 7:00 PM Iglesia Evangelica Bible Study
- 7:00 PM Joyringers

Thursday KITCHEN CLOSED

- 7:00 PM AA – Alanon/Alateen
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir

Friday KITCHEN CLOSED

- 12:00 PM AA Ladies Friendship

Saturday KITCHEN CLOSED

- 9:00 AM Diakonia
- 9:30 AM Spirits On Fire
- 12:00 PM Installation of New Bishop

Sunday, January 21st – Third Sunday after Epiphany

KITCHEN CLOSED

- 8:30 AM Traditional Service
- 9:45 AM Sunday school
- 10:00 AM Spirits on Fire
- 11:00 AM Celebration Service
- 3:00 PM Iglesia Evangelica Worship

Flowers / Connections – Connie Moffatt

McCulloch -

Metropolitan Ministries –

Eternal Flame –

Attendance – Sunday, January 7, 2018

8:30 am - 142 11:00 am – 84 TOTAL - 226

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



Congratulations: To Janna & Devon

Magnusson on the birth of their baby girl, Kaleah Octavia Rose Wilson!

To Tony & Lois Perrone, parents Amy & Justin and big brother Joseph, on the birth of their 2nd grandchild, son and brother, William Beck Weber.

Condolences: To all friends and family on the loss of our own Dian Wright.

To Ron Conrard and his family on the passing of his brother-in-law, Dan Glaser.

To Debbie Noel on the death of her father, "Rocky" Jordan.

Members: Judy Barber, Alice Deal, Susan McCulloch, Betty Freshcorn, Linda Lindgren, Betsy Owers, Sandy Laettner, Kathleen Jenkins, Barbara & Lee Pilcher, Maggie Scott, Ron Lofgren, Don Stoddard, Louise McMonegal, McCulloch Group Home (especially Karl & Mary), and for our loved ones...

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| Judy Shaw | mother of | Tom Shaw |
| Adrian Kilbride | brother of | Adrienne Decker |
| Nesam Judima Abraham | relative of | Jayden Sigamani |
| Vula Walker | sister of | Mary Threm |
| Linda Broderick | sister-in-law of | Linda Gravatt |
| Diana Dunaway | daughter-in-law of | Jerralyne Duncan |
| Eleanor Adams | aunt of | Bob Barry |
| Geraldine Roth | mother of | Maggie Gould |
| Molly Martinez | daughter of | Maggie Gould |
| Gordon Lamoree | father of | Maggie Gould |
| Mack Russell/ Anna | cousin/ 2 nd cousin of | Mickey Castor |
| Michelle | aunt of | Suzie Velez |
| Terri Shepherd | sister-in-law of | Laura Shepherd |
| Richard Taylor | son of | Sandy Taylor |
| Ramon Ortiz | grandson of | Shannon Donegan |
| Pr. Bill Timm | uncle of | Chris & Shell Timm |
| Nancy Long | cousin of | Julie LaFluer |
| 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 |
| Doreen Betts | sister-in-law of | Bev Harris |
| 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, Marion Bennett, Ruth Rahman, Residents of Arden Courts, Brighton Gardens and Brookdale.

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| 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 |
| 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 - Kuwait
- ❖ 2nd Lt Timothy Donegan - Fort Rucker, Alabama
- ❖ Chaplain Major Scott Hagen - Fort Belvoir, Springfield, VA
- ❖ Collin Welch E4 - Alice Deal's grandson- Whidbey Island, Washington State.
- ❖ Juliana Harrison - Astoria, Jean Harrison's daughter, Oregon as an Avionics Electrical Technician for helicopters in the Coast Guard.
- ❖ Staff Sgt. Mark Messina - Fort Carson, Colorado, Patti Joannes' grandson.
- ❖ Captain Kelsey Abert - Seoul, South Korea
- ❖ Captain Devlin Ann Abert - Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri
- ❖ Sergeant Christopher J. Cone - Hawaii
- ❖ Christopher Shephard – Jordan, United States Aid to International Development. (USAID)
- ❖ Captain David Webb – Army - Fort Benning, GA



Youth & Family Schedule

- **Fri 1/12 – Sun 1/14** Confirmation Retreat @ Luther Springs
- **Sat 1/20** 12 pm Bishop Suarez Installation (HS attending)
- **Sun 1/21** 5 pm Mac-n-Cheese/Cake Bake-off Fundraiser
- **Sun 1/28** Youth Sunday (one service at 10 am)
- **Fri 2/2 – Sun 2/4** Family Retreat @ Luther Springs