



Worship and Parish Notes

Week of January 24, 2021

We gather to worship in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Welcome to all, dear family of Christ!

✠ PRAISE AND INTERCESSION ✠

Give thanks as you pray with thanksgiving that God has called and equipped us to join in His mission to seek and save the lost. Ask God to give you courage to be His witness in your daily life.



2021 NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK

National Lutheran Schools Week provides more than 1,900 preschools, elementary schools and high schools with the public opportunity to proclaim and celebrate God's work among us in schools of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

We thank God for the opportunity to provide excellent academic preparation for the children we serve. We are most grateful for the opportunity to share Jesus' amazing love with children and their families.

National Lutheran Schools Week gives us an opportunity to proclaim these great blessings within the communities we serve.

Our schools are amazing incubators for faithful witness of God's love for us through Christ by teachers and students alike.

NURSERY...We love children at Grace Lutheran! Even during COVID-19, we continue to have a **STAFFED NURSERY** for children, infants thru Pre-School, **next to Trinity Hall**. Your children are always welcome to remain with you for worship or with the attendant in the nursery, which is available during worship, fellowship and Bible class times. Please know that the nursery and all toys are thoroughly cleaned before and after being used.

HANDICAPPED ACCESS...Handicapped parking is available for those who need easy access to the church building due to physical limitations. The handicapped parking spaces are located on 4th Street, Avenue C, and in the parking lot across from the sanctuary. Ramp entrances to our sanctuary are located on 4th Street, on Avenue C, and off the patio.

LIVE STREAMING OF OUR WORSHIP SERVICE...The 10:45 AM worship service of Grace Lutheran Church is available to be viewed LIVE from our website (or anytime after the service); go to <https://www.glwh.org>, and click on the "Live Streaming" button. **BE SURE TO TUNE IN AT 10:40 AM FOR SOME PRE-WORSHIP INFORMATION.** If you want to print out the worship service, worship & parish notes, and/or prayer list, go to <https://www.glwh.org>, and click on the worship tab on the top of the page and then click on live streaming. You can also watch our live streaming from Facebook; search for **Grace Lutheran Winter Haven Florida Media Now**, or watch from **YouTube**, and search for **Grace Lutheran Winter Haven Florida**.

TUESDAY 5:30 PM EVENING PRAYER SERVICE...in the Sanctuary each week offers a quiet time of prayer for body, mind, and spirit. All are invited. Holy Communion is served. You are requested to take precautionary measures by wearing masks and using hand sanitizer upon entering the Narthex.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR broadcast next Sunday, 31, on WONN Radio, Lakeland, 1230 AM at 9:30 AM, will feature Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler on the topic "**Under the Impression.**" The Lutheran Hour is also available on Sunday mornings on WFLF Radio, Maitland, 540 on the AM dial at 7:30 AM. **You can also listen to The Lutheran Hour on Sirius-XM Family Talk 131 Sundays at 10:00 AM.** To read, listen, or to print the four-minute daily devotions by Lutheran Hour Ministries go to WWW.LHM.ORG and under MEDIA PROGRAMS click on DEVOTIONS. To sign-up to receive the devotions every day go to CONNECT and SUBSCRIBE.

SUNDAY MORNING STUDIES FOR ADULTS FOLLOWING FELLOWSHIP

Trinity Hall Bible Study - Questions and Answers regarding daily Bible readings. Led by Pastor Charles and Vicar Duffy in Trinity Hall.

Revelation, Worthy Is the Lamb - A Bible Study by Dale E. Griffin, Julene Dumit, and Rodney L. Rathmann. This study is amplified by additional content from the Concordia Popular Commentary on Revelation by Louis Brighton. Led by **Dr. Threlkeld - Luther Room**

Ongoing Group Bible Studies at Church Please join us in studying God's Word!

Friday Morning Bible Study - Video Series: The Promised Land

Every Friday

10:00 AM

MM

Contact: Pastor Meyer

Want to connect with our community
and learn more about what we believe?

Here is your invitation to **“Discover Grace”**

Child care is available!

Conversational classes take place over four Wednesday evenings in the Mary-Martha Room from 6:30 to 8:00pm; or a Virtual Class at the same time using Zoom Meeting number 750-7335-6844, Password: 02721

Dates:

1/27

2/3

2/10

Weekly Topics:

The God of Grace

Who is God? • Who is Jesus? • Who is the Holy Spirit?

Delivering Grace

Baptism • Communion • Confession & Absolution

Living in Grace

The Church • Worship • Prayer • Christian Life

Please use the parking lot on Bates Ave SE.
Follow the “Discover Grace” signs to the Mary-Martha Room.

Questions? We're here to help connect you to the answers!



Grace Lutheran Church, Office Phone: 863.293.8447

Vicar Duffy: mduffy@glwh.org or

Jeff Wittcop, Director of Outreach: jwittcop@glwh.org

Altar Flowers



Placing flowers on the altar is a beautiful way to thank God for the special blessings of birthdays, anniversaries, and personal remembrances. If you would like to grace our sanctuary in this manner, please look for the flower chart just inside the church entrance and sign up for the Sunday nearest your special date.



Small Groups This Winter

This winter, Grace’s small groups will take a look at the gifts Christ gives us at the cross. Groups are encouraged to begin meeting the second week of January. Register using the form below or the link on our webpage for the winter

session if you would like to join a small group this session. In *He Chose the Nails*, a five-session video Bible study, Max Lucado examines the gifts that Christ gave at His crucifixion. These include not only the gift of the cross, but also the gift of the nails, and the empty tomb. The cross is rich with God’s gifts of grace, and as we unwrap them, we will hear Him whisper, “I did it just for you.” Go to www.glwh.org/smallgroups and fill out the registration page, or fill out the form below and drop it off at the church office front desk. Feel free to order your own copy or email us at frontdesk@glwh.org and we’ll order one for you. We will soon have copies available for \$12 each in the church office.

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Small Group Registration

“He Chose the Nails” (Winter 2021)

Name(s): _____

Additional names of family members who would like to be in the same group as you:

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Circle your available days/times (select at least three):

Days	Times (Group facilitators will share specific times and locations.)				
	Sunday	NA	Afternoon	Evening	Digital - Zoom
Monday	Morning	Afternoon	Evening	Digital - Zoom	In Person
Tuesday	Morning	Afternoon	Evening	Digital - Zoom	In Person
Wednesday	Morning	Afternoon	Evening	Digital - Zoom	In Person
Thursday	Morning	Afternoon	Evening	Digital - Zoom	In Person
Friday	Morning	Afternoon	Evening	Digital - Zoom	In Person
Saturday	Morning	Afternoon	Evening	Digital - Zoom	In Person

Circle your preferred group type (if any):

Parents Couples Singles Young Adults Seniors Men Women

_____ I will need childcare (please list ages ____)

_____ I want to help! (circle one or all!)

Facilitate group discussions Host a group in my home Organize a service event

Provide childcare Assist with various tasks

WOMEN'S MINISTRY LWML NEWS

During the months of January and February, the Women's Ministry will be collecting items for "comfort kits" to be given to the One More Child organization of Lakeland which works with the problem of sex trafficking of kids. The items needed include: hand towels, washcloths, large bars of soap (no Irish Spring), medium or large size shampoo (with conditioner), deodorant, toothbrushes, medium size toothpaste, medium size hair comb (NOT men's pocket comb), non-metal nail file. Collection containers will be in a couple of places throughout the church for the entire month of January. These items will be given to the organization at our next Women's Ministry Zone Rally.

Crafters needed!!!! Do you own a Cricut? Do you like to paint? We need help decorating some newly purchased treat boxes for our upcoming Valentine's Day Chocolate Sale. If you can (or want to learn) how to paint or apply vinyl to glass cookie jars or plastic Tupperware containers, we would love your help! Sharpie makes some great acrylic pens for glass application (there are lots of YouTube videos of some fun designs). If you can help, you can sign out some containers from the Mary-Martha Room starting **NOW!!!** We need the containers returned back to the Mary-Martha Room by February 7 for our Chocolate sale on February 13 and 14. Call Krista Bernthal, 803-269-9919, with any questions you may have.

Save the Dates

The Annual Grace Lutheran Church Women's Guild Book Review Series

Tuesdays in January

SANCTUARY (Location change from last week) - 11:15 AM

Please plan to join us at **11:15 AM on Tuesdays** in January 2021 for the 43rd Annual Grace Lutheran Book Review Series. One does not need to have read the book to enjoy the review. Our final book review is:

January 26 - Book: *An Age of Brotherhood - a story of brothers who find adventure and danger at every turn. Their tale is both frightening and endearing as it draws you into their lives, their home, and their small community, Frankenmuth, Michigan. Offering a nostalgic look at life as it was lived in the 1950's and 1960's, the story follows the five brothers through evolving relationships. As they build an enduring "Bond of Brotherhood", all the world takes on a new perspective. Written and reviewed by Grace member Dan Trinklein.*

**DUE TO COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS, WE WILL NOT BE SERVING LUNCHESES.
THANK YOU FOR UNDERSTANDING!**



FEBRUARY 6

Please volunteer anywhere!
If you are flexible and
have no preference,
we will assign you to a site. Call the
church office, 293-8447, to sign up!

**Saturday
February 6**

8:30 - 12:00

**Something for
everyone and
every age.**

Please sign up!

**Call the
Church Office
293-8447**

- 1. Meals on Wheels** Site Leader: Linda Long
Job: Kitchen prep and staging area cleaning, yard work
Info: mealsonwheelspolk.com
- 2. Our Career Centered Academy** Site Leader: Steve Griffith
Job: Outside raking/playground cleanup
Info: www.ourcareer.org
- 3. The Mission** Site Leader: Dan Trinklein
Job: Prepare & serve breakfast & cleaning
Info: themissionwh.org
- 5. Anchor House** Site Leader: Vicar Michael Duffy
Job: Cleaning and hauling things to the dump
Info: anchor-house.org
- 6. Life Choice Pregnancy Center** Site Leader: Dy Krueger
Job: Pressure washing & cleaning
Info: lifechoicepregnancycenter.com
- 7. Public Education Partnership** Site Leader: Linda Aceto
Job: Cleaning & book organization
Info: whpep.org
- 8. Haley Center** Site Leader: Rhonda Wise
Job: Organizing and unpacking in their new location
Info: thehaleycenter.com
- 9. Hearts for Winter Haven** Site Leader: Lou Marinelli
Job: Interior painting
Info: heart4wh.org

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Jan 24 Judith Richter, Jack Watkins
Jan 25 Tiffany Cross
Jan 26 Kennedy Fellows-Coffey, Krista Mahalak
Jan 28 Cynthia Butt, Jackie Stine
Jan 29 Mike Drousche, Virginia Hundt
Jan 30 Wanda Anderson, Elizabeth Sowders

GIFTS TO GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

We thank the following who have given special gifts to Grace Lutheran Church in memory of

Verna Kingery by Beth Beasley, designated to Tim Beasley Memorial Fund

SPONSORING STUDENTS IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In memory of **Verna Kingery** by Mr. & Mrs. Arlin Arbeiter

In memory of **Edwin Spaun** by Mr. & Mrs. Ron Kirin

SCHOOL ENDOWMENT FUND

Mr. & Mrs. Ken Richter



Grace Lutheran Church Sunshine Club News

Our February gathering is Thursday, February 4

10:00 AM - Noon Trinity Hall

***Enjoy a special Valentine's Day themed gathering
with a great movie, "The War Room."***

***A seemingly perfect family looks to fix their problems with the help of
Miss Clara, an older, wiser woman who encourages the couple to find
happiness through prayer.***

We look forward to seeing you on the 4th.

Please remember to wear face coverings and practice social distancing.

One of the most active groups in our church community, Sunshine Club focuses on individuals and couples, providing social interaction, support and spiritual growth. Join us the first Thursday of the month for food and fellowship.

	CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK	
Sunday January 24	<i>NLSW (National Lutheran Schools Week) Kick-Off</i> <i>Contemporary Worship Service - Sanctuary</i> Fellowship, Bible Study & Sunday School <i>Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary</i>	<i>8:30 AM</i> 9:30AM <i>10:45 AM</i>
Monday January 25	Staff Devotions Small Group Bible Study - Luther Room Women's Bible Study - Mary-Martha Room Business Management - Mary-Martha Room Board of Directors - Mary-Martha Room	7:30 AM 10:00 AM 10:30 AM 5:30 PM 6:30 PM
Tuesday January 26	Church Staff Meeting Book Review - Sanctuary Small Group Bible Study - Luther Room <i>Prayer Service - Sanctuary</i> American Heritage Girls - Trinity Hall Executive Elders - Pastor Reich's Office Praise Band Rehearsal - Chapel	10:30 AM 11:15 AM 5:30 PM <i>5:30 PM</i> 6:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:15 PM
Wednesday January 27	Uniform Sale - Trinity Hall Small Group Bible Study - Mary-Martha Room Early Release Youth Group - Youth Room Discover Grace - Mary-Martha Room	7 AM - 6 PM 11:00 AM 12:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM
Thursday January 28	Quilters - Women's Center Kidz Choir - Music Room Trinity Bells - Sanctuary Grace Chorale - Music Room	9:00 AM 3:00 PM 6:00 PM 7:15 PM
Friday January 29	Bible Study w/Pastor Meyer - Mary-Martha Room	10:00 AM
Saturday January 30	Women's Ministry Craft Day - Mary-Martha Room Soup Kitchen @ First Presbyterian Church <i>Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary</i>	9 AM - 12 PM 2:30 - 5:30 PM <i>5:00 PM</i>
Sunday January 31	<i>Contemporary Worship Service - Sanctuary</i> Fellowship, Bible Study & Sunday School <i>Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary</i>	<i>8:30 AM</i> 9:30AM <i>10:45 AM</i>

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