Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

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DEAR PARTNERS,

GraceVision Revised!

In 2008-2009, the congregation of Grace went through a complex and exciting visioning process involving all members of the congregation and staff. The result was a completely new organizational structure and new ministry goals. The governing document, *GraceVision*, was approved by the Congregation in late 2009 as our long-range plan for mission and ministry.

Six years later, in 2015, the Congregation Council appointed a task group to revise the *GraceVision* document to include new goals for each ministry. The task group included the chairperson of each of the six Ministry Councils, two staff members in addition to the two pastors, Congregation Council representatives and two members of the congregation at large. The revised *GraceVision* document was approved by Congregation Council at the March meeting.

Copies of the revised edition of *GraceVision* will be available on the table in the narthex for members to pick up and will be distributed to all Ministry Councils.

Where do we go from here? Congregation Council plans to lead the congregation through a new long-range visioning process involving the whole congregation in the next couple of years. In the meantime, *GraceVision* continues to serve us well, reminding us that God is calling us to be participants rather than spectators; that all people of Grace are ministers with unique gifts given by God for the sake of the mission of the Gospel. We continue our mission - *Proclaiming God's Love and Serving God's People!*

Your Partner in Christ, **Pastor Martha Sims**

Stewardship and Our Facilities

This month we offer thanks for the stewardship of the Grace facilities which support many of the elements of the church mission and provide numerous, varied spaces for the congregation. Grace has been blessed with significant facilities that include the main Sanctuary, the Administration and Sunday School building, the GMOC, CEC and Grace Preschool buildings, the Godfrey Miller Fellowship Center and the Old Church Wall, Memorial Garden and Old Lutheran Cemetery at Mt. Hebron. All of the facilities require ongoing maintenance, repair and renovation through their course of varied uses by both the congregation

and the community.

The Property Committee, under the direction of the Congregation and the Congregation Council, seeks to support facility activities and maintain the facilities condition, which ensures their ability to meet the needs of the church now and in the future. The annual property operating budget, the special project capital reserve fund, volunteer efforts and individual personal respect for the facilities all enable the buildings and grounds to be maintained at the level needed to fulfill the church mission. As good stewards of the facilities, the congregation has always done what is necessary to meet our facility's responsibilities, and we give continuing thanks for this support.

OUR WORSHIP THIS MONTH

Saturday, April 2, 2016 – Grace Place – 6:00 p.m. – We gather in the Easter Season for an informal Holy Communion service with hymns and a liturgy setting with Celtic influences. All are welcome.

Sunday, April 3, 2016 - The Second Sunday of Easter - The unprecedented events of the day of resurrection continue as the risen Jesus appears to His fearful disciples in the Gospel reading, John 20:19-31. A week later, after Thomas worships Jesus, Jesus pronounces that the blessings of the resurrection are also for those who "have not seen and yet believe." Other readings are: Acts 5:27-32, Psalm 118:14-29 and Revelation 1:4-8. We gather for two services of Holy Communion at 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.



Saturday, April 9, 2016 - Grace Place - 6:00 p.m. - We gather in the Easter Season for an informal Holy Communion service with hymns and a liturgy setting with Celtic influences. All are welcome.



Sunday, April 10, 2016 – Third Sunday of Easter – The disciples make a big splash and breakfast with the risen Jesus in the gospel. Wading in the water (remembering our baptism) and eating with Jesus (celebrating the holy communion) is our weekly encounter with the risen Christ. Jesus asks us, with Peter, again and again: Do you love me? And Jesus invites us, again and again, to follow him, bringing the Easter life to others. The readings are: Acts 9:1-20, Psalm 30, Revelation 5:11-14 and John 21:1-19. We gather for two services of Holy Communion at 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Saturday, April 16, 2016 – Grace Place – 6:00 p.m. – We gather in the Easter Season for an informal Holy Communion service with hymns and a liturgy setting with Celtic influences. All are welcome.

Sunday, April 17, 2016 - The Fourth Sunday of Easter - In John 10:22-30. Jesus responds to questions about his identity with the remarkable claim that he and the Father are one. Those who understand this are his sheep; they hear his voice, follow, and will never be snatched from his hand. Other readings are: Acts 9:36-43, Psalm 23, Revelation 7:9-17. We gather for two services of Holy Communion at 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Saturday, April 23, 2016 - Grace Place - 6:00 p.m. - We gather in the Easter Season for an informal Holy Communion service with hymns and a liturgy setting with Celtic influences. All are welcome. On this day, we also celebrate the



Sunday, April 24, 2016 - Fifth Sunday of Easter - Easter initiates a new day. It anticipates a new heaven and a new earth. The risen Lord is making all things new. In the mystery of holy baptism God has made new people of us. Today the Lord Jesus invites us to see everyone in a new light—through the lens of love. The readings are: Acts 11:1-18, Psalm 148, Revelation 21:1-6 and John 13:31-35. We gather for two services of Holy Communion at 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Saturday, April 30—Grace Place – NO GRACE PLACE due to Apple Blossom Festival accessibility. Join us at 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Sunday morning, May 1, 2016.

Mission Endowment Fund

The Mission Endowment Fund Board (MEFB) met on Tuesday, March 8th to decide how to distribute the 2015 earnings of \$10,734. The following is a list of those distributions:

The Village at Orchard Ridge - \$ 1,980

The balance of our promised gift of the baptismal font for the Chapel.

Caroline Furnace Lutheran Camp, Fort Valley, VA - \$ 2,000

Extensive kitchen repair / replacement in the Retreat House

Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary - \$ 1,000 Lutheran Studies Professorship

Service and Outreach Ministry Council - \$ 2,837

Habitat for Humanity Interfaith Build in Winchester

Grace Global Mission Team- \$ 1,367

Gift toward the congregation's commitment (\$7200 per year) to support 20 children at Bethania Kids orphanage in India.

Erin Cottos / Medical Mission in Haiti - \$ 1,000

To help pay for the cost of salary for an equipment technician.

T.E.A.M. Grace - \$ 550

New educational books for lending library, educational games, art supplies.

John Henry, Mission Endowment Fund Board Chair

| Our Stewardship of Worship | Sunday School | Grace Place | 8:15 | 11:00 |
|----------------------------|---------------|-------------|------|-------|
| February 21 | 117 | (2/20) - 28 | 105 | 104 |
| February 28 | 90 | (2/27) - 33 | 102 | 105 |
| March 6 | 118 | (3/5) - 31 | 107 | 137 |
| March 13 | 100 | (3/12) - 36 | 105 | 122 |



FOR THE RECORD "Growing in the Grace of Giving" Report of Offerings for 2016

| | Anticipated Each Week | Given Each Week | | | Anticipated | Given | |
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| | | Feb. 21 | Feb. 28 | March 6 | March 13 | Year-to-Date | Year-to-Date |
| Promised Offerings Pledged Envelope Giving \$423,716 budgeted for 2016. | \$8,148 | \$6,766 | \$4,405 | \$13,179 | \$5,462 | \$89,628 | \$79,546 |
| Grace Offerings Non-pledged Envelope Giving \$64,000 budgeted for 2016. | \$1,231 | \$1,255 | \$1,332 | \$1,181.75 | \$1,243.80 | \$13,541 | \$13,564.90 |
| Faith Offerings Loose Cash/Check Giving \$14,000 budgeted for 2016. | \$269 | \$125 | \$292 | \$210 | \$251 | \$2,959 | \$12,207.86 |
| Covenant Income Income from fees, interest, grants, \$6,200 budgeted for 2016. | \$119 | \$2,634.93 | \$o | \$o | \$o | \$1,309 | \$2,634.93 |
| Revell Trust Income \$298,622 budgeted for 2016. | \$5,743 | \$5,743 | \$5,743 | \$5,743 | \$5,743 | \$63,173 | \$63,173 |

FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH NEWS

Faith Formation events for adults . . .

Young Adult Gathering—"- Sunday, April 3, 2016, at Pastor Martha Sims' home, 5:00-7:00 pm. All young adults, 21-35 are invited.

pm. Piccadilly Brew Bub - 125 E. Piccadilly Street in Winchester to share dinner and faith, connecting Scripture with current events. All are welcome to attend. For more info. please contact one of the Pastors at 662-6678.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study- 7:30 am Continental Breakfast served. Come together and prepare for worship on the coming Sunday by studying the Scripture readings ahead of time. Studying together helps Scripture come alive – Leaders: Pastor Martha Sims and Pastor Jonathan Boynton. ALL ARE WELCOME!

<u>Women of Grace</u> will meet on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>April 19</u>, <u>2016</u> - 10:30 am in the GMOC Assembly Hall. This study continues to be led by Pastor Boynton and Pastor Sims with the resource the *Book of Ruth*. All Women of Grace are encouraged to attend. Class resources can be found in the Staff Room or by seeing one of the Pastors.



Apple Blossom Seats offered by the Youth of GRACE! We give thanks to Terry Frye and David Look for providing 24 South Washington Street for perfect parade watching. Seats are offered for \$5 for Fighters Parade and \$8 for Grand Feature. Please contact T. Lehman at 662-6678, if you are interested in seats and to support the Youth of Grace!

W.I.L.D. Women - Willing * Inviting * Loving * Disciples!

W.I.L.D. Women will meet on Monday, April 11th 6:00 pm G.M.O.C. Assembly Hall
All women of Grace are encouraged and welcomed to join us.
If you are able to attend, please contact T'. Lehman at 662-6678 or tlehman@gracewin.org



Spring Prayer Retreat

Saturday, April 9, 2016 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Prayer & Compassion, the connection between spirituality and action.

Lunch will be provided.

Please R.S.V.P. to Pastor Martha Miller Sims at msims@gracewin.org

FAITH FORMATION AND YOUTH NEWS

Faith Formation Adult Sunday School Offerings

During the Sundays of Easter, we will be using **Animate: Practices for Adult**

Education. Please join **Pastor Boynton** as we explore the Bible with perspectives from many thoughtful leaders around the country. It is our hope that the curriculum will help us to have an engaging, nuanced, hopeful and positive relationship with the sacred texts of the Bible. We will begin on April 3rd in the Christian Streit Room.

New Member Class - April 10 - May 8, 2016

This class is for those who are thinking about identifying with Grace by becoming members, those who have questions about the Christian faith or about the Lutheran Church, or members who want a refresher. Come and learn about what it means to follow Christ in this place. New Members will be received in worship on Pentecost Sunday, May 15th. Leader: Pastor Martha Sims in the GMOC

<u>SUNDAY SCHOOL OPENING FOR ALL</u>... We meet the first Sunday of every month in the GMOC Assembly Hall for fellowship, refreshments and announcements. Our next opening will be on Sunday, April 3, 2016. We can always use volunteers! See you at 9:45 am!

YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS:

Friday, April 1st – Youth will help serve the meal at the annual Community Dinner and Special Chimers Concert hosted by the Service and Outreach Ministry Council. Please wear your *Black and White* for serving. Please arrive no later than 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 3^{rd} – Jr. and Sr. High youth Group, 12:15-2:00 p.m. – *Faith and Fiesta* at Grace.

Sunday, April 17th – Jr. and Sr. Youth Group, 12:15~2:00 p.m. at Grace – Event to be an-nounced.

Sunday, April 17th – First Communion class for children. At12:15 p.m. children meet with the pastors; parents join us at 1:30~2:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Please contact T. Lehman to sign up and receive the workbook ahead of time.

Friday, April 22^{nd} 6:00 p.m. -Saturday, April 23^{rd} 6:00 p.m. - FEED THE NEED – an ecumenical youth event located at Winchester Church of God on Rt. 522 North. Sponsor a Youth ~ \$50 will sponsor a youth to participate in this significant event. All contributions are appreciated. See T. Lehman to sign up!

In Our Prayers

Members who have been in the hospital or are in need of our prayers:

Betty Dunlap, Theresa Merkel, and Marian Miller.

Prayers for Comfort

Christian Sympathy is extended to Karen Schmitt and all the family and friends of **Howard Schmitt. Howard** has served on the staff of Grace for years, faithfully, as Assistant Treasurer. He will be much missed.

Hospital Visits and Privacy Laws

Pastoral Care is an important part of the ministry of the pastors of Grace, and that includes visiting when members are in the hospital or are going to have surgery. Because the hospital is not able to give out information about patients because of privacy laws, please call the church office (540-662-6678) to let the pastors know when you are in the hospital.

For pastoral care emergencies after hours, please call the pastors at home:

Pastor Sims - 540-545-8410; **Pastor Boynton** - 540-868-8711.

VOTING MEMBER NEEDED FOR VIRGINIA SYNOD ASSEMBLY

The Congregation Council is seeking **one** voting member of the congregation to serve as "voting members" from Grace to the annual Virginia Synod/ELCA Assembly to be held at Roanoke College Friday, June 10-12, 2016. If you are interested in serving as a voting member to our annual synod assembly, please contact **Jonathan Hornbaker**, Council President, or speak to **Pastor Sims or Pastor Boynton**. Congregation Council will elect the member at their meeting on Sunday, April 10, 2016. Grace is entitled to five lay/non-ordained voting members. All expenses for lay voting members are covered by the congregation and synod provides partial coverage of a travel expense.

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Joyful Notes from Daniel



HYMNS OF MARTIN LUTHER

The reformer Martin Luther regarded music and especially hymns in German as important means for the development of faith. As we approach the world-wide celebration of the 500th anniversary year of his posting of the 95 theses on the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany, effectively starting the Protestant Reformation, we will be using some of this space monthly to focus on some of the hymns of Luther.

Luther wrote songs for occasions of the liturgical year (Advent, Christmas, Purification, Epiphany, Easter, Pentecost, Trinity), hymns on topics of the catechism (Ten Commandments, Lord's Prayer, creed, baptism, confession, Eucharist), paraphrases of psalms, and other songs. Whenever Luther went out from existing texts, such as the Bible or previously existing Latin and German hymns, he widely expanded, transformed and personally interpreted them.

Luther, no slouch of an amateur musician, also worked on the tunes, sometimes modifying older tunes, in collaboration with his musician friend Johann Walter. Hymns were published in the Achtliederbuch, in Walter's choral hymnal Eyn geystlich Gesangk Buchleyn (Wittenberg) and the Erfurt Enchiridion (Erfurt) in 1524, and in the Klugsches Gesangbuch (Klug hymnal) in 1535, second edition in 1543 (Klug II), among others.

For the current season, we begin with an Easter hymn, Jesus Christ, Our Savior, published in Erfurt in 1524, and original to Luther both in text and tune. It has unfortunately never been generally known in English, but an English translation of the first stanza by George MacDonald follows:

> Jesus Christ, our Savior true, He who Death overthrew, Is up arisen, And sin hath put in prison. Kyrieleison.

In the *Enchiridion* it appeared as seen in the next column.



The Castle Church in Wittenberg, and Luther's monastery and ordination church in Erfurt, are included on the tour to Germany and Prague I am leading this October 11-21. Other sites after landing in cosmopolitan Berlin include his birth- and deathplaces in Eisleben, his childhood home and Wartburg Castle hideaway in Eisenach, the church of his marriage and preaching as well as his home in Wittenberg, Leipzig (where he debated Eck regarding the divine origin of the papal supremacy, and viewing Bach's St. Thomas Church as well). Augsburg is the site of Melancthon's presentation of the VERY Lutheran Augsburg Confession, and Prague's multicentury architecture is simply beyond description (think "jewels"). Depart after a grand tour of Munich. \$3379, all inclusive. Please see Daniel, and soon!

Historical Tidbit: When did our church receive the Eugene B. Smith print of the Old Church Wall?

"The east wall of the original church built by German Lutherans still stands in the Lutheran Cemetery portion of the Mount Hebron Cemetery, Winchester, Virginia. The corner stone to the original church building was laid on Monday of Holy Week, April 16, 1764."

This is the caption on the reverse of a notecard bearing the watercolor print created by artist Eugene B. Smith of Winchester. The original watercolor was commissioned by the Ann Kerr Pepper family as part of the 250th Anniversary Celebration of Grace Lutheran Church.

On Wednesday of Holy Week, April 16, 2003, members of the congregation gathered at 7:00 p.m. in front of our sanctuary on Boscawen Street to process to Mount Hebron Cemetery. A liturgical service at the base of the Old Church Wall included historical notes from *This Heritage* by Dr. William E. Eisenberg describing the chronology of the original church from the laying of the corner stone in 1764, to the dedication in 1793, through its many uses for worship, its location for the formation of the Virginia and Maryland Synod in 1820, and on to its destruction by fire in 1854.

The group recessed to the front of the present sanctuary and then gathered for a reception in Eisenberg Hall. The special unveiling by Eugene B. Smith and Ann Kerr Pepper of the Old Church Wall painting was met with much joy by all present. The soft greens and grays of the framed print capture the sacred site and allow us to keep it close within our current facility. It hangs proudly on the east wall of the narthex.



Mary Froehlich Archivist

The Meaning of the Stephen Series Logo

The logo's most dominant feature is the cross of Jesus. It reminds us that Christ is at the center of Stephen Ministry and all Stephen Ministry relationships.

The broken person behind the cross symbolizes how we are all broken people, broken by our own sin and imperfections.

The Stephen Series logo tells the story of a care receiver's journey from brokenness to wholeness through the transforming power of the cross of Jesus. It serves as a simple reminder that it is not the Stephen Minister who restores a person to wholeness. Rather, it is only through the cross of Jesus that a person can be made whole.

The whole person in front of the cross signifies the wholeness we encounter through the transforming power of the cross of Jesus. It is only through Jesus and his life, death on the cross, and resurrection that we, who are broken people, are made whole.

The circle is a symbol of God's eternal and never-ending love for us. God's love surrounds us, holds us, heals us, with the cross of Jesus at the center of that love. For it was Jesus, God's Son, who allowed himself to be broken on the cross to save us from our sin and give us the opportunity to be restored to wholeness through him.

Congregation Council Meeting Highlights

The Congregation Council met on Sunday, March 13, 2016. The following are highlights of the meeting:

- A revised edition of the *GraceVision* long-range plan document (approved by the congregation in 2009) was approved by Congregation Council to be used by all Ministry Councils as a guide for ministry going forward. It includes new goals for each ministry (see article in this issue of *TIDINGS*).
- Elected lay voting members for the Virginia Synod Assembly, June 10-12, 2016: **Meg Bachman**, **Scott Boswell, Jonathan Hornbaker, Jeff Keller**. We are eligible for an additional adult (see page 6) and two Youth representatives to Youth Assembly. Also attending Assembly will be both pastors, and **Mairi Bachman** as a member of the Synod LYO Board.
- Approved the Audit Committee Report for 2015 books.
- Changed the May Congregation Council meeting to the third Sunday, May 15th.
- Appointed members of Congregation Council to serve on the Membership Review Task Group with **Pastor Sims: Gail Rush, Wendy Rizzo**.
- Approved facilities use requests.

Thank You

I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all the families who so

graciously consented to open their homes and hearts to being the papa hosts and mama hostesses for the Lenore-Rhyne Choir. Along with their amazing voices, the personalities of these charming choral young adults spoke to our hearts with warmth and love as the host families did for them. You all were God's blessing and I (Sue Towley) Thank you.

TABLES OF GRACE

Sunday, April 17 Brunch at 12:30 p.m.

At

Godfrey Miller Fellowship Center 28 S. Loudoun Street (within a block of the church) Winchester, VA

Come one, come all to a tasty brunch (\$14.00 + gratuity), and learn more about the facility and programs. Turn left when you exit the church, take a right at the walking mall, the Godfrey Miller Center is 1/2 block on the left.

RSVP to Kay Hallett Khallett2@comcast.net (703) 795-0740

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



The Habitat for Humanity Interfaith Build, an opportunity to work with other communities of Faith in service, is happening! The house will be built for a single mom and her teenage daughter, who has cerebral palsy. They will finally have a place to call home which will be designed and adapted with her needs in mind. No building experience needed – they provide the tools, training and safety gear. All those age 16 and older are welcomed. Grace's dates are 5/14, 5/19, 6/11 and 7/16. They want a group of 6 for each day, from 8:00-3:00. Please consider signing up, on the sheets in the narthex, with a friend or two. Or make it a family day of service and fun together! Check off which date(s) you can come. We are blessed to live in our homes.....let's help someone else to do the same.

Service and Outreach Ministry

GRACE LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL



SCHOOL SPIRIT TASTES GREAT

Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Grace Lutheran Preschool.

Come in to the Chipotle at 2012 S Pleasant Valley Rd in Winchester on Monday, April 4th between 5:00pm and 9:00pm.

Bring this page, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 50% of the proceeds will be donated to Grace Lutheran Preschool.





The preschool is now selling Apple Blossom parade seats in 2 locations: (in front of our preschool and Gerrard St.)
Seats are \$5 for Friday night and \$8 for Saturday.
Please contact the preschool at 540-678-0635 for more information.

T.E.A.M. GRACE UPDATE

Summer break is just around the corner at T.E.A.M. Grace and WHERE has the time gone?! March was quite a busy month, with a theme of health and wellness. Our Profession of the month was Healthcare Professional. Thanks to **Keith Brobst** and the Clarke County Lions, the kids had free eye exams. We also had a visit from Dr. Yang to discuss good health and participated in Jazzercise classes by Rebecca Gibson.

Program Assistant Adam Yang continued to teach our Core Values, with HOPE as our monthly word. He has also incorporated fun math and language arts programs. Program Assistant Brittany has kept the kids entertained with art projects, including Cat in the Hat hats to celebrate the Birthday of Dr. Seuss. Music activities include the instruction of **Mr. Dan** on the recorders and Ms. Pat teaching songs accompanied by the piano. We took an imaginary trip to Ireland, in honor of St. Patrick's Day and finished off the month with an Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt.

The theme for April is Art/Cooking with FRIENDSHIP being the Core Value word. The Profession of the Month will be Artist, and will include a private art lesson from a local Artist. The Winchester Art Market will host us in their gallery for a hands on display. The kids will plant herbal seeds and coax a plant to grow. Seed donations would be greatly appreciated (mint, thyme, mint, basil, etc). We are planning a demonstration from a local Chef who can show the kids that Cooking is Art. If you know a local Chef (ok, a good cook who loves kids will do) who may be available in April, please contact T.E.A.M. Grace Director, **Reidonna King** (540) 450-1576.

The Handley Library will provide a tour and story time. This will assist us in teaching the kids proper procedure for our new T.E.A.M. Grace Lending Library.

Our imaginary trip will be to Guatemala with a presentation by **Kate Simpson.**

I am **thankful** for the generosity of time and funds, from the congregation and the community! Donation requests for April are: Herbal Seeds, Bananas, Oranges, Cheese (sticks, sliced or cubed) Milk ,Loaf bread, Small rolls (to accompany spaghetti), 100% juice products, and 50z. cups



Save the Date 19TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY DINNER

Friday, April 1 5:00 p.m.

Plan to be a part of this special evening in the life of our congregation!



CHANCEL FLOWERS

Opportunities for donating Chancel Flowers are available - April 17, and 24, and May 1, 15, and 22, all of June.

Call Joan in the church office (662-6678) to reserve your Sunday!



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GODFREY MILLER FELLOWSHIP CENTER SCHEDULE

April 1—30, 2016

Mon. 4/4—
10:00 am Party Bridge
10:00 am Hand and Foot
11:00 am Lunch and Hot
Topics

2:00 pm Arthritis Strengthening Class 7:00 pm Bowers Bridge

Tues. 4/5—

10:00 am Mahjong! 12:00 noon Bowers Duplicate

Wed. 4/6—

10:00 am Dominos, Party Bridge 12:00 noon Linda's Lunch 12:40 pm Chair Yoga 2:00 pm Arthritis Strengthening Class

Thurs. 4/7—

10:00 am Mahjong!
11:00 am Party Bridge
12:00 noon Linda's Lunch
12:30 pm Fall Prevention
Exercise Class

Mon. 4/11-

10:00 am Party Bridge
10:00 am Hand and Foot
12:00 noon Old Town
Kiwanis
2:00 pm Arthritis
Strengthening Class
7:00 pm Bowers Bridge

Tues. 4/12-

10:00 am Teddy Bear Hugs 10:00 am Mahjong! 12:00 pm Bowers Duplicate

Wed. 4/13-

10:00 am Dominos, Party Bridge 12:00 noon Linda's Lunch 12:40 pm Chair Yoga 2:00 pm Arthritis Strengthening Class

Thurs. 4/14—

urs. 4/14—
10:00 am Mahjong!
10:30 am Computer Class
"Intro to Windows 10"
11:00 am MOBB
11:00 am Party Bridge
12:00 noon Linda's Lunch
7:00 pm Private Tour

Sun. 4/17-

12:30 pm Tables of Grace Lunch and tour of Historic Home Mon. 4/18—

10:00 am Party Bridge 10:00 am Hand and Foot 2:00 pm Arthritis Strengthening Class 7:00 pm Bowers Duplicate

Tues. 4/19-

10:00 am Belle Amies Book Club 10:00 am Mahjong! 12:00 pm Bowers Duplicate

Wed. 4/20-

10:00 am Dominos, Party Bridge 12:00 noon Linda's Lunch 12:40 pm Chair Yoga 2:00 pm Arthritis Strengthening Class

Thurs. 4/21—

10:00 am Mahjong!
10:30 am Computer Class
"Intro to Windows 10"
10:30 am Mahjong! Class
11:00 am Party Bridge
12:30 pm Fall Prevention
Exercise Class

Mon. 4/25-

10:00 am Party Bridge 10:00 am Hand and Foot 12:00 noon Old Town Kiwanis 2:00 pm Arthritis

2:00 pm Arthritis Strengthening Class 7:00 pm Bowers Bridge

Tues. 4/26-

10:00 am Mahjong! 12:00 pm Bowers Duplicate

Wed. 4/27-

10:00 am Dominos, Party Bridge 12:00 noon Linda's Lunch 12:40 pm Chair Yoga 2:00 pm Arthritis Strengthening Class

Thurs. 4/28-

10:00 am Mahjong! 10:30 am Computer Class "Intro to Windows 10" 10:30 am Mahjong! Class 11:00 am Party Bridge 12:00 noon Linda's Lunch

Thursday, May 5th at 11:30 am ~ Mothers Day Tea'"

- GraceVision Revised 2016
- Stewardship and the Facilities
- Community Dinner ~ Friday, April 1, 2016 at 5:00 pm
- New Member Class ~ April 10—May 8, 2016
- The Meaning of the Stephen Ministry Logo
- Habitat for Humanity Build is coming
- Preschool and T.E.A.M. Grace Update
- April Calendar and Worship Assistants

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James H. Utt - Retired, Pastor Emeritus

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Worship Service: 8:15 and 11:00 a.m. Holy Communion is celebrated at all services.

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Grace Place: Saturdays - 6:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS 8:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m. Monday -Friday

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Prayer Chain

We invite all who are interested in sharing their faith, by putting it to work in a way that will benefit others and themselves while experiencing the joy of seeing God at work, to join the Prauer Team.

Contact Becky Swanson Stern, at prayerchain@gracewin.org The work is rewarding as it leads you to Grow in Grace.

Prayers for those in our **Military Services** should include: Mitra Haines, Gary Headings, Tyler Manuel, Ryan Massonneau, Brandon Reeve, **Captain Christine Sears.** and Danny Smith.

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