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NEWSPAPER TREATMENT

CALENDAR - April 13-19

Friday

Sunrise Bible Study/Creed—Parlor6:30 a.m.
NA Home Group—Stafford Room 9:00 p.m.

Saturday

Campbell Funeral—Nave11:00 a.m.
Worship—Chapel6:00 p.m.

Easter 3

Acts 3:12-19, Psalm 4

1 John 3:1-7, Luke 24:36b-48

Worship—Nave7:45 a.m.
Kyrie Bells—Balcony8:30 a.m.
Christian Formation9:00 a.m.
Worship—Nave10:30 a.m.
Matu—Chapel1:00 p.m.
MFE Concert—Nave3:00 p.m.
Umpires—Auditorium7:00 p.m.
NA Home Group—Fellowship Hall7:00 p.m.

Monday

Staff Mtg.—Office10:00 a.m.
Gloria Bells—Balcony6:30 p.m.
Council—Stafford7:00 p.m.

Tuesday

ESL Class—3rd Floor Ed Building10:00 a.m.
Lanc. Flute—Fellowship Hall7:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Community Meal—Fellowship Hall5:30 p.m.
Sanctus Bells—Balcony6:30 p.m.
Renovation Mtg—Library7:00 p.m.

Thursday

ESL Class—3rd Floor Ed Building10:00 a.m.
Small Group—Stafford10:00 a.m.
Child Care Family Event—Fellowship Hall ..5:30 p.m.
Grace Choir—Balcony7:15 p.m.
Band Practice—Stafford8:30 p.m.



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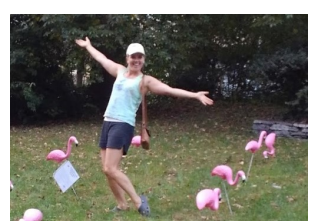
(click on the calendar link at the top of the page)

<u>Attendance for Worship</u>	
Worship	17 / 38 / 113 = 168
Sunday School	47



Isaacs Gift Cards are still available following each of our weekend services!

\$10.00 each!



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\$20.00



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He Is Risen Indeed!
Alleluia!

Welcome to the Grace Church Family!



Welcome to the children who were baptized at the Easter Vigil

(center) William Soyei, son of Erin & Joseph Longenecker, brother of Lucie

(bottom left) Frances Markley, Margaret Katherine, and Samuel Thomas Mumma children of Tom Mumma

(right) Gracelyn Elaine, daughter of Barbara and Gregory Rice, sister of Madelyn

(top left) Daniel James Zimmerman, son of Christina and Thomas Zimmerman, brother of Zachary

Welcome to those who joined by Affirmation

Greg Gable, Les & Gretchen Lindeman, Susan Mull, and Jeremy Stoltzfus

**Official Notice—Annual Congregational Meeting—May 6th
at 9:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall**

Up-Coming Events



The "Music for Everyone Community Chorus" presents a concert, "Songs of Hope," Sunday, April 15, 3:00 PM.

Director, Jonathan Schoff, selected songs born out of celebration as well as tribulation, exploring how music can be both a source and an expression of hope in all circumstances. The concert is free. Bring your friends! This will be the first of four concerts this spring.

***Due to Urgent Care hours of operation - Parking will be available
in the Owl Hill lot and the former YMCA lot ONLY!***

Mark your calendars!! The Youth are sponsoring a Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, April 21st.

Don't miss this opportunity to support our youth attending the Youth Gathering in Houston Texas!

Join us for a fun evening of food and fellowship. There will be two seatings - one at 5:00 p.m. and another at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are now on sale after each of our weekend services. The suggested donation for the evening is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children. Under 3 are free!



The menu will include spaghetti with meat sauce, spaghetti with marinara sauce, salad, bread, and beverages.

The youth will have a variety of desserts for sale following the meal.

If you would like to reserve your tickets by phone - you may call the church office at 397-2748.



Register for Team - Grace Lutheran at <https://ywcalancaster.org/raceagainstracism/>

Once again Grace Church will be sending an team of walker/runners to the annual Race Against Racism. We would love to have you join us. You may register using the link above. Remember to sign up for Team Grace Lutheran.

The race is held rain or shine. The 5K run/walk kicks off at 9 a.m. and starts and ends at Musser Park, located at East Chestnut and North Lime streets in downtown Lancaster. *Humanity Fest* runs in conjunction with the Race Against Racism from 7 – 11:30 a.m. in Musser Park. Explore the cultural diversity of our community through food and locally handmade crafts. Multiple food trucks will be on site.



Saturday May 12, 2018 8:30 a.m. Annual Spring Clean-Up at Grace Lutheran Church!!

**Your help is needed! Please come for all or part of the day.
Lots of jobs to do - fun for the entire family!
Inside, outside, all around the church!**

This is a wonderful opportunity for a family service project! Jobs for every age and ability! Join our property team for a day of service. Many hands make quick work!

We hope to see you there!



Stewardship Snippet

April 15, 2018 (3rd Sunday in Easter, Year B)

1 John 3:1a – See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are.



Our identity – who we really are – forms the hub of our lives as steward-disciples. Our actions and thoughts revolve around that hub. And John reveals that we are children of God almighty. When you understand and live, really live, as a child of God, everything else falls into place.

STEWARDSHIP

Caring for God’s World—Earth Day is Sunday April 22

Green Cooking & Cleaning Tips

- Lemons have antibacterial qualities and will leave your kitchen smelling fresh. Tough stains on countertops can be removed by simply leaving lemon juice on the stain for a few minutes, and then wiping it away with a wet cloth.
- To maintain a sparkling clean toilet, use a mixture of baking soda and vinegar rather than harmful bleach.
- To clear a clogged sink drain, try using a combination of baking soda and vinegar. Let the vinegar mixture sit for 15-30 minutes, and then run some hot water down the drain.
- Coffee grounds are an easy, greener alternative to pest repellents. Sprinkle some around any areas of the home that are prone to ants and get rid of a pesky problem.
- Use coffee grounds to help remove grease and stuck-on food from pots and pans. Just mix them with a little water and the abrasive, acidic properties of the grounds will making cleaning quick and painless.



Grocery Card Ministry



WHERE ELSE can your money earn a guaranteed 5% return these days?

Purchase of grocery cards has contributed to many of the important ministries here at Grace.

Missionary support, disaster relief, our youth, and LWR school and health kits to name a few.

THANK YOU for your purchases of shopping cards!

Grocery cards are available every Sunday morning or by calling ...
Duane and Kitty Weiss at (717) 464-2536.



Prayer List

Please Keep in Your Prayers For healing from illness or surgery this week: Murray Foreman
Lucie Hellberg, Chris Payonk, Lorraine Steele, Nancy Weiss

Grace folks who have asked for our continued prayers: Gloria Ashby, Bonnie Beecher, Mary Bitts, John & Dolores Byers, Barbara Elder, Rose Fasig, Kristin Freiberg, Ruth Galebach, George & Judy Hansalik, Ellen Hines, Peggy Hull, Krisi Johnson, Barbara Kline, Flo Koenig, Barb Krimmel, Pat Long, Jan Lutz, Tom Miller, Jeremy Morant, Jim Morant, Mary Ann Nagley, Joseph Nolt, Mike Ober, Myrna Pierson, George Ries, Ann Ross, Jean Schaum, Dave Schober, Corey Smith, Jay Smoker, Mike Snyder, Harvey Stewart, Pat Stewart, Emma Stumpf, Peter & Suzanne Verkouw, Carolyn Wenger, Janet Wood

Christian Sympathy



Dear Members of Grace,

We give thanks for the life and witness of Catherine Schnader, who died Sunday, April 8, 2018. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to her husband Carl and their family and friends.

A memorial service is planned for Wed. April 11, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at Grace Church.

Please keep Catherine’s family in your prayers.

Worship News



Easter Fountain Flowers

Opportunities to share plants and flowers for the fountain will be available beginning Sunday, April 15th and continuing through May 13th.

Families may buy plants and flowers to decorate the Fountain on the Sunday they choose, delivering them to church Saturday morning or afternoon, and following the Sunday services, take their plants home to be planted in their own garden.

Please call the church office @ 397-2748 with questions or to sign up for a Sunday.

Free parking is now available in the North Queen Street Garage !

As you enter, take the ticket from the machine. Walk the half block to church, worship, and on your way out, stop by the visitor’s desk in the narthex and pick up an exit card. When leaving the garage, insert your garage ticket first; then the free parking ticket. The gate will go up.”

Please be sure to fill out the sign out sheet with your name, date and time of service attended—this will help us determine our future needs for parking.

We are still working with the Lancaster General Hospital to negotiate some limited sharing of their facilities, but please know that you always have the option to use the clean, safe garage in the 400 block of North Queen Street. Thanks to the Lancaster Parking Authority for their help!

Deborah/Elizabeth Circle Meeting April 17th at Luther Acres

The Deborah/Elizabeth Circle will gather on Tuesday, April 17th in the Round in the Muhlenberg Building for the final session of the Bible study “Multiple Meanings”.

The focus will be on the story of the Prodigal Son found in Luke 15: 11-32. At about 11:30 we will conclude with lunch together.

Adult Christian Formation

Ever wondered if some texts were intentionally excluded from the Bible and why?

In Lost Books? we look at why some ancient writings failed to make the cut for inclusion, why other texts most definitely met the standard, and why others, including those "gospels" found in the last century, came up short.

In Lost Books?, host Rev. Gregory Seltz, Speaker of The Lutheran Hour, asks, "Were books intentionally excluded from the Bible? What if more information about Christ's life was buried for centuries? Are there books that should be in the Bible, but aren't?" Are these questions important? Absolutely!

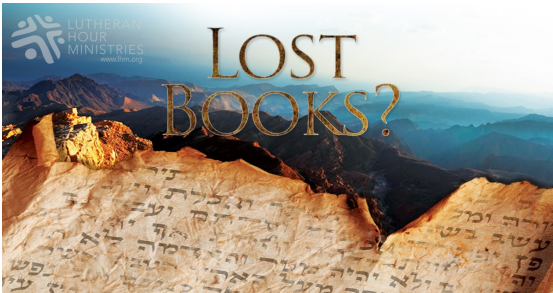
Often, these types of questions are directed to believers, putting them at a loss to answer those who wonder why the Bible should be believed over other ancient writings. In fact, many Christians have the same questions themselves.

Addressing these queries and several other issues are Dr. Paul Maier (professor emeritus, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo); Dr. Jeffrey Kloha (associate professor of exegetical theology, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis); Dr. Randall Price (executive director of the Center for Judaic Studies, Liberty University, Lynchburg, Va.); and Joel Lampe (international director, The Bible Museum, Goodyear, Ariz.) Together these biblical experts will explore the fascinating and cryptic world of the Apocrypha, pseudepigrapha, and the Nag Hammadi codices.

They will also consider topics like biblical inerrancy, Gnosticism, alternative gospels, divine inspiration, the supposedly lesser-known sayings of Jesus, text selection, and more. They will show why the 66 books of the Bible are considered the inerrant Word of God-a trustworthy cover-to-cover revelation from God to man.

By: Rev. Gregory Seltz

Please join us on Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the Auditorium during April and May for a fascinating video series and discussion.



Grace Family - Spring News Update

Easter blessings to you all!

A big thank you to everyone who participated in all of the beautiful Holy Week services. I hope that you found your experience spiritual and inspirational.

We only have 7 more weeks of Sunday school, so I pray that you will commit to attending all or most of those precious gatherings - that is 10 ½ hours of age appropriate spiritual and emotional education for the small price of getting to church by 9 am! What a deal! Our teachers are wonderful and creative, dedicated to your children. If you have sleepover guests bring them along! If your kids are every other week - it is still important for them to attend.

Kathy Verboon

Coming up

End of Sunday School Year Celebration: May 20th from 9 - 10:15 am.

SUNDAY SCHOOL We play games, sing, enjoy yummy snacks, thank our teachers and pray all together, toddlers through 5th grade!

At the same time the adults, confirmation siblings and other interested people are encouraged to support Naomi Main, Danielle Oatman and Paloma Bolt who will be presenting their confirmation projects in fellowship hall.

Pentecost Worship: May 20th at the 10:30 worship the children will parade with Pastor. The Sanctus Singers will sing for the last time until the fall and will confirm three of our youth. Fire, wind, and the color red will abound, all representing the gift of the Holy Spirit, !

Sanctus Singing Dates: April 15 and May 20th. We sing at the beginning of the 10:30 am worship.

“Celebrating God’s Creation” Vacation Bible School: June 17-21 from 6-8:15 pm.

VBS is always a special experience. It is also a great time to invite friends.

Contact person - Angie Smith - email: graceelcaapd@gmail.com or 717-397-2748.

Church Picnic: June 23rd at Long’s Park. Come out to the pavilion at 4:00 p.m. to enjoy food, fun, games and outdoor time with your church family.

Easter Sunrise Surprise

He is not here; he has risen! Luke 24:6a (NIV)
The puzzle is based on Luke 24:1-12 (NIV).



Living	Rolled	Dead
Women	Spices	Bowed
Faces	Entered	Remember
Morning	Body	Day
Tomb	Risen	
First	Away	
Stone	Ground	
Week	Fright	

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