



GraceNotes Express

A publication highlighting the people and ministries of Grace.

The Week of August 26, 2007

Undy Sunday

Today is the last Sunday to donate new socks and underwear (but if you want to bring some in tomorrow, we can still take them then.) Collection boxes have been placed in the narthex and Fellowship Hall for your donations of new socks and underwear for needy school children in Collier County. New underwear (sizes 6-12) are needed and checks to fill in sizes are also very welcome. Please be as generous as you have been in past years so that every child can be proud to start school with new basics.

Special points of interest:

- Nursery care is available during the services. Please as an Usher for directions.
- We are equipped with Williams Sound hearing devices to aid persons wanting to improve the audio of the church service.
- Please ask any usher if you wish to receive a large-print bulletin.
- Please turn off any cell phones, pagers, beepers, and other audible electronic devices.



Prayer Requests

Please call Jean Hennink if you have a request for our prayer chain at 261-8697.

Substitutes Needed Sept. 10-21

Substitutes are needed to answer the phones and greet visitors while the secretary is away the week of Sept. 10th and the week of Sept. 17th. You may come for a morning or an afternoon or for a whole day if you can spare the time. Please call Ruth at 261-7421, ext. 4 to volunteer. Thank you!

Confirmation Orientation Meeting

There will be an orientation meeting for seventh and eighth grade confirmation students and their parents on Wednesday, September 5th, at 6PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Adult Information Class

A new Adult Information Class begins in September. The class will meet once a week for one hour. You may attend at either 5:00PM or 6:00PM each Thursday evening, beginning September 6th. This class, taught by Pastor Reetz, covers the basic teachings of the Christian faith. People who are interested in membership are invited to attend as well as members who want a review. There is no obligation connected with this class.

Bible Studies

Wednesday Morning

A men's Bible Class meets each Wednesday morning at 7:30 in the Fellowship Hall of the church. The group is currently studying the book of 1 John. All men are welcome!

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

We invite you to join us for this adult Bible study that meets in Fellowship Hall taught by Pastor Reetz. Everyone is welcome to this informative class.

Teachers Needed!

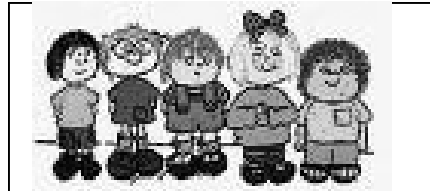
We are looking for Sunday School teachers who will volunteer their time to tell children about Jesus' love.

If you are able to commit for one year or six months, that's great!

Please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex or contact Kami Jo with any questions.

Sunday School!

Sunday School classes will begin September 9th for all ages. This year's curriculum will focus on children experiencing Scripture through hands-on activities in the classroom that are exciting and educational.



Please sign your child's name and information on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex.

Questions? Contact Kami Jo.



Preschool Is Starting!

It's back to school for our 3 and 4-year-olds and we look forward to the new preschool year with them. This year in addition to Julie Crews and Harriet Manning, we welcome Marijane Lobaugh, our new teacher for three-year-olds, and Laurie May and Deann Segars, teacher assistants.

As always, we love to have volunteers come and read to our children. If you've never forgotten your childhood favorites or love the look on the faces of children listening to a good story, please call

Extensions and Emails

- 1—Times of service
- 2—Directions to the church
- 3—Pastor Reetz
revpreetz@graceofnaples.com
- 4—Church secretary (Ruth)
secretary@graceofnaples.com
- 5—Music Director (Jonathan)
musicdirector@graceofnaples.com
- 6—Preschool Director (Julie)
preschooldirector@graceofnaples.com
- 7—Director of Christian Education
(Kami Jo)
- 8—Preschool emergency
- 0—Operator (Ruth)
- # —Replays the menu



Tell Them You're Ours!

If you are admitted to a local hospital, please make sure to put Grace Lutheran Church as your church. If you only put down Lutheran, they won't let us know you're a patient there. We want to visit you so tell **them** you belong to our church family and then also tell **us** directly that you're in the hospital.

Thank you!

"We are twice blessed by your gift of kindness and by this feeling of gratitude you have brought to our hearts. Thank you very much for your thoughtfulness. It was truly appreciated."

Lothar and Renata Branz

Stewardship Corner 13th Sunday after Pentecost August 26, 2007

Hebrews 12:4-24: Our Epistle reading of Hebrews 12 speaks about the need and benefit of discipline in our lives. This is true in family settings, in our church activities and the use of our God-given resources to move God's kingdom forward. Good stewardship involves good planning and good discipline to stay on track. May we always be maturing stewards who do the right things for the right reasons.

Attendance (8-19-2007)

9:30am Divine Service	153
9:30am Communion	123
Adult Bible Class	45