



# GraceNotes Express

A publication highlighting the people and ministries of Grace.

The Week of January 27, 2008

## A Warm Welcome!

We welcome Pastor James Timmons as our guest preacher this morning. Pastor Timmons is a son of our congregation at Grace who left the business world to enter the seminary. He now serves Living Waters Community Lutheran Church in Sanford, FL. His wife Sherry served as director of Grace's pre-school. We are happy to have them back with us today.

### Special points of interest:

- Nursery care is available during the services. Please ask 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.

## Moving Forward by Faith

Pledge cards will be received during today's service. Additional cards are available at the visitors' station. If you didn't offer your pledge card today, please bring it to next Sunday's service. Your support is needed.

## Mite Box Sunday

Today is Mite Box Sunday. A member of the Women of Grace will be in the Narthex before each service to collect the filled Mite Boxes and pass out replacements to fill and return at the end of next month. (Sunday February 24<sup>th</sup>). We are starting the new year off in the right direction and have already collected \$20.94 since the beginning of 2008.

Mite offerings are above and beyond the support given to the congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Contributions amount to of millions of dollars that fund district and national mission grants and implement programs of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. Thank You.



## 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.

### Prayer Requests



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



### Kids Corner

Today in Sunday school, children will learn about the news of Jesus spreading to others. The key point of the day is that Jesus wants everyone to know Him. At home, ask your children how people heard about Jesus.

### A Study on the Book of Revelation!

The theme for the course will be "*The book of Revelation, what does it all mean?*" Starting Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, we will meet at the Barnes and Noble on 41 and Pine Ridge to grab a cup of coffee and study the book of Revelation. Come and try out this new Bible study and bring your friends.

Contact DCE Kami Jo with any questions.

### Women's Bible Study

This women's Bible study has begun and will go to Easter, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. With Lent and Easter approaching, the theme for the study will be Jesus ministry leading up to the crucifixion. Classes will begin Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am at Sunburst Café (2430 Pine Ridge Road, by Target).

Contact DCE Kami Jo with any questions.

## **Camp Matz!**

We have received our dates for this summer's mission trip to Camp Matz! Our week of serving at Camp Matz will be **July 6-11<sup>th</sup>**. Camp Matz is a week long trip on a unique outdoor campground that is fully accessible to people with cognitive and physical disabilities. Youth will work with the campers throughout the week, serving them with their time and talents. Contact DCE Kami Jo with any questions.

## **News about Mailboxes**

### **Do you have a mailbox?**

**If you're a member**, you have a mailbox.

**If you have offering envelopes**, you have a mailbox.

**If you come regularly, either in the winter or all year round**, you almost certainly have a mailbox.

Please look and see if you have a box and if you don't and you'd like to receive church information, please call the office and request one.

Contribution statements are put in the mailboxes as well as information on missions and church events and activities. It's also a handy place for people to leave you notes and cards so be sure to check yours today.

## **Wednesday Night Suppers!**

Come at 5:15 on Wednesday when our mystery chef will prepare one of the "specialitees de la maison"! Relax with family and friends and enjoy a delicious meal made just for you. A hot savory meal, followed by a luscious dessert is just the thing when the weather is chilly. See you Wednesday!

### **Come to eat — AND STAY TO HELP!**

We love having you for supper, but we also **NEED your help afterwards. Please stay and help us straighten up.** Remember how your mother always told you to ask if you could help with the dishes when you went to Aunt Abigail's for dinner.? Well, she was right. Glad-den the hearts of the people who worked so hard to make that good food. Help them with the dishes. You'll get more than soft hands (we use Palmolive). You'll get the grateful thanks of our chefs!

## **CALLING ALL WOMEN**

The Women's Leadership Institute is sponsoring a luncheon for women on February 5, 2008 at the Bonita Bay Club in Bonita Springs, FL. Lunch will begin at 11:30, followed by an uplifting presentation by Dr. Mary Hilgendorf, Director of the Women's Leadership Institute (WLI) and Professor of Education at Concordia University Wisconsin. Her topic is "Esther Moments: Women's Ways of Leading." Tickets are \$28 per person. Please contact Linda Buuck at (239) 390-1399 by January 28, 2008 to RSVP or for more information.

## SCRIP NEWS

Don't forget to order Burger King. Every card ordered gives CCLS a chance to win \$500 from Great Lakes Scrip Co.

Remember that PUBLIX is available at a 3% discount in \$50, \$100, and \$200 denominations. This is available "cash and carry," no advance ordering required.

Do you want to "double dip" benefits for CCLS? Go to SchoolPop.com and look at the list of retailers, including Land's End, LL Bean, Amazon, and many others. Many of these retailers ALSO participate in Scrip! If you order from them through SchoolPop, and use Scrip for payment, you make two contributions to the school!

As always, if you have questions or comments, you can call or e-mail. 239-384 9089. [glanderktf@comcast.net](mailto:glanderktf@comcast.net)

## Donate to Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity's home store is now accepting donations of construction materials as well as appliances.

If you or someone you know is getting a new refrigerator, stove, dishwasher, washing machine or dryer, let us know. We'll pick up the old one if it's in good shape and sell it in our store.

In addition, if you are renovating, we will take your old cabinets, countertops, doors, windows, even your old hurricane shutters.

Contact Mike Werner at 455-8439 if you have any questions.

## Extensions and Emails

**Church Phone—261-7421**

**Church fax # - 261-9337**

**Church website:**

**[www.graceofnaples.com](http://www.graceofnaples.com)**

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



## Stewardship Corner Third Sunday after Epiphany January 27, 2008

1 Corinthians 1:10-18: Who are God's modern-day wise stewards? They are the people of God who do all they can to live in peace and unity with fellow Christians so that the wonderful work of the Lord is fully supported.

### Attendance (1-20-2007)

8:00am Divine Service	149
10:30am Divine Service	185
8:00am Communion	125
10:30am Communion	140
Adult Bible Class	66

## HYMN NOTES

*from*

One Hundred and One Famous Hymns  
By : Charles Johnson

The Church's One Foundation  
Samuel John Stone 1839-1900

When in 1866 Bishop Colenso attacked the historical accuracy of the Pentateuch, Bishop Gray deposed Colenso, issuing a strong defense of church doctrine. As the controversy raged Samuel Stone, Curate of Windsor, wrote twelve hymns based on the Apostles' Creed, the ninth of which was *The Church's One Foundation*.

Samuel Stone was born in Whitmore, England, the son of an Anglican minister. He was educated at Charterhouse and at Pembroke College, Oxford. Ordained in the Church of England in 1862 he held pastorates at Windsor, St. Paul's and All-Hallows-On-The Wall, London, where he remained until his death. During his life he published five collections of poems and hymns and a

### **Addresses for the New Year**

If you're missing some of our members who have moved away and would like to keep in touch, we offer their new addresses below.

Dorothy VanKerschaver  
1865 S. Beverly Street, #233  
Casper, WY 82609

Lou and Julie Juracek  
23 Traditionals Blvd.  
Southbury, CT 06488

## ANTHEM

He Comes to Us as One Unknown  
By:  
Timothy Dudley-Smith & Donald Busarow

He comes to us as one unknown,  
A breath unseen, unheard:  
As though within a heart of stone,  
Or shriveled seed in darkness sown,  
A pulse of being stirred,  
A pulse of being stirred.

He comes when souls in silence lie  
And thoughts of day depart;  
Half seen upon the inward eye,  
A falling star across the sky  
Of night within the heart,  
Of night within the heart.

He comes to us in sound of seas,  
The ocean's fume and foam;  
Yet small and still upon the breeze,  
A wind that stirs the tops of trees,  
A voice to call us home,  
A voice to call us home.

He comes in love, In love as once  
he came By flesh and blood and birth;  
To bear within our mortal frame  
A life, a death, a saving name,  
For every child of earth,  
For every child of earth.

He comes in truth when faith is grown;  
Believed, obeyed, adored:  
The Christ in all the Scriptures shown,  
As yet unseen, but no unknown,  
Our Savior and our Lord,  
Our Savior and our Lord.

## Lenten Devotions Available

A Lenten devotions booklet from Lutheran Hour Ministries is in your mailbox. If you don't have a mailbox or wish to take a large-print version of this booklet, please go to the visitors' center for a copy.

## BEING A DISCIPLE: ST. MARK'S SURPRISE

The Lenten Bible Study which meets at 10AM each Wednesday will seek to understand what it means to be a disciple of Jesus on the basis of St. Mark's Gospel. To understand what Mark means by being a disciple, we will take a close look at the people who are portrayed in the Gospel and see how the disciples, other characters and the crowd relate to Jesus. To help us answer the question, we will also closely look at Jesus' journeys through the Holy Land. At the conclusion of the study a surprise awaits everyone who will join us on this Lenten expedition into the Scripture. Your walk with Jesus will take on new meaning.

## Lenten Worship Opportunities

Ash Wednesday is February 6th. There will be two worship services that day, the first at 1:00PM and the evening service at 6:30PM. Communion and imposition of ashes will be offered at both services.

Each Wednesday during Lent there will be Lenten prayer services at 1:00PM and 6:30PM.

March 16th, Palm Sunday, begins Holy Week. Mark your calendars so you can attend Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services as well as the celebration of Easter on Sunday, March 23rd.



**Come to Kyrgyzstan!**  
**February 5 at 1PM**

The Women of Grace will meet Tuesday, February 5, 2008. The meeting begins at 11:00AM. Following the meeting, lunch will be served by Sharon Walther, Betty Yock, Jean Freche and Jane Lange.

The program begins at 1PM. Pastor Carl Roemer will be our speaker. Pastor Roemer spent three weeks in Kyrgyzstan in January of last year teaching in our school's seminary which prepares local men to become pastors in the churches that have been established there by our missionaries. Kyrgyzstan is located next to the south eastern border of China, twelve time zones away. He will describe the work of the mission, the missionaries involved, the class he taught as well as the life, culture and geography of this exotic land.

The Women of Grace invite the entire congregation to join us and Pastor Roemer as pictures and stories will abound, making real the incredible work that is being done in that far corner of our earth to bring Christ to the nations.

*Spring Taste Luncheon*  
*Saturday, February 23, 2008 at 11:30AM*  
*at Emmanuel Lutheran Church,*

Members and friends of Grace,

Please come out and support the annual CCLS fund-raiser. This event is being organized by Carolyn Faust from Emmanuel Lutheran Church.

The lunch will be held at Emmanuel on Saturday, the 23rd of February, 2008 at 11:30AM.

Tickets are \$15.00.

The committee is requesting donations of a dish to share and taste. It should be enough for approximately 90 people to have a small taste. The recipes should be submitted by January 30 to Carolyn (phone: 262-3614; fax # for recipes 262-3096) so that it can be published in the cook book given out at the luncheon.

Donations for the silent auction would be appreciated. Donations may include baskets, jewelry, baby clothes, crafts, gifts that you might have received that can be used as a charitable donation. Together we can make this a successful event.

Please contact Ruth Dishop (262-7137) or Carole Patterson (254-10