

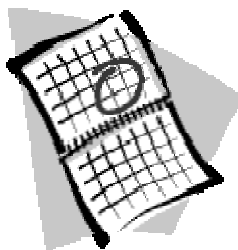


GraceNotes Express

A publication highlighting the people and ministries of Grace.

The Week of May 13, 2007

Service and Bible Study Schedule Changes



Next Sunday, May 20, 2007 the service schedule will change to one service at 9:30am. Bible Study and Sunday School will be held after the service at 10:30am. Children from 4 years old through sixth grade will meet in the courtyard for Sunday School. Middle School and High School students will meet at the parsonage for Bible Study.

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.

Table of Six

The Table of Six groups are posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. The Table of Six Newsletter which contains further information may be picked up at the Welcome Center. Thank you to all who are participating.

Ascension Service

An Ascension Service will be held at Grace at 7:00 this Thursday, May 17th. Togo (West Africa) missionary Frederick Reinhardt will be our speaker for the evening. There will be a spaghetti dinner in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 served by the Youth.

Prayer Requests

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



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Children and Youth

**FAMILY OF FAITH
SUMMER SUNDAY
SCHOOL
BEGINS
NEXT SUNDAY,
MAY 20TH**

Ushers and Greeters

Ushers and Greeters are needed for the 8:00am and the 10:30am worship services. If anyone is interested in volunteering their time to assist with Sunday morning services and be part of the Grace Lutheran Church team, we need you. Please contact Marty Root at 595-2552 if you can help. Thank you.

Name Tags

We encourage members and guests to wear their nametags every Sunday. Nametags may be found inside your mail box. After worship they may be placed in one of the baskets labeled "Name Tags" on your way out. Not a member? Forgot or misplaced your nametag? Stop by the Welcome Center to receive a new nametag. The use of nametags will give us an opportunity to get to know each other as brothers and sisters in Christ.

Sunday School-

Be sure to come next Sunday for the start of Family of Faith Summer Sunday School at 9:30AM. We look forward to seeing you there!



Does your student need community service hours??-

Students can earn up to 20 community service hours by volunteering to help with our VBS and Music Camp. Let Becky know if you are interested!

Lock-In-

There will be a lock-in for middle and high school students beginning on May 18th at 6:30 p.m. and ending at 8:30 a.m. on May 19th. Check the bulletin board and Youth News for more information.

Summer Sunday School Teachers-

We are in need of teachers for Summer Sunday School. This would be a one-week commitment. Teachers would lead a multi-age group in a brief Bible Story Time. Teachers may sign up for as many weeks as they are available. Sign up sheet is located on the bulletin board in the Narthex!

Wednesday Night

Choir rehearsals will continue for Cherub Choir as well as a combined rehearsal for the Grace Chorale and Choristers.

Wednesday Evening Activities

3:30—Cherub Choir Rehearsal
7:00—Grace Chorale and Choristers rehearsal



CCLS SCRIP Fund

Let the CCLS SCRIP program help you with all your May gift-giving. Whether it's Mother's Day, Confirmation, Graduation or planning a summer vacation, with over 600 merchants, SCRIP can be your source of gift cards to restaurants, salons, movie theaters, department/sporting/home improvement/stores, Disney, and hotels.

CCLS PTO thanks all of you for making SCRIP such a success this school year with over \$200,000 in gift cards sold earning nearly \$8,000 for the PTO, Scholarship Fund, and tuition credit.

Orders placed today will be available at the school on Friday, or at church next Sunday. Call Jennifer L. with a



The Gift of Sight

Grace has the opportunity to become part of an overseas mission by simply bringing in your old prescription glasses and sunglasses and placing them in the box located in the Fellowship Hall for the Gift of Sight program.

Lenscrafters will make them good as new and hand-deliver them to those in need around the world. Gift of Sight has helped more than five million people with a goal of helping 7 million people by 2008. Let's be a part of that goal and help the world to see.

Bingo-May 20

Bingo night will be held at 6:00pm on May 20, 2007. All are invited to join members and friends of Grace for an evening of fun. A light dinner will be served before Bingo begins. The evening will conclude at 8:00pm.

Prizes include gift certificates from First Watch and other fun items.

This is an opportunity to get to know each other and we encourage you to invite family and friends. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Bible Studies

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

We invite you to join us for this adult Bible study that meets in Fellowship Hall. Pastor Reetz is teaching a series on Islam. Everyone is welcome to this informative class.

Tuesday Morning Women

Join other women for Bible study each Tuesday morning at 9:30am. The group meets at the Sunburst Café in the Target shopping center at the corner of Pine Ridge Road. For more information, please call Lori Wallace at 250-1933.

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!

Thursday Night Women

Join us as we study the lives of women of the Bible. We meet in the parsonage at 7:30pm.

The Youth News and the Outreach Newsletter are available on the bulletin boards located in the Narthex.

The CARE Program

The Caregiver Assistance and Regional Education Program will be held May 15, 17, 22 and 24, 2007 from 1-4PM at St. William Catholic Church (Ministry Center), 750 Seagate Drive.

The CARE Program was designed to provide caregiving individuals and family members free comprehensive education and pre-admission emergency respite

Counseling. This program will enable caregivers to provide better care for their loved ones and at the same time better maintain their own emotional and physical health and well-being. For information or to sign up, obtain respite services, please call toll-free

1-866-231-0921.

CONGRATULATIONS!

We congratulate Janice McNeal on being named Nurse of the Year at Naples Community Hospital.

Janice was baptized and confirmed in Grace; she is the daughter of Jules and Jean Hennink.

Our sincere congratulations to Janice!

The Week of May 13, 2007

ANTHEM

Lullaby
By: Natalie Sleeth

Sleep now, rest now, close your eyes,
Rocked by loving lullabies.
Sleep now, rest now, dream a while,
Safe beneath your mother's smile.

[Refrain] God will bless thee through the night,
Ever keep thy good in sight,
Sleep now, rest now, slumber on,
All too soon will come the dawn.

Sleep now, rest now, while you may,
From your side I shall not stray.
Sleep now, rest now, have no fear,
Nought can harm thee, sheltered here. [Refrain]

This anthem was written by Natalie Sleeth specifically with Mother's in mind. It reminds us that mothers are God's tool for keeping us safe and secure as we grow in faith in Him. Thanks be to God for mothers!

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- # —Replays the menu

A BIG "THANK YOU!"

Many thanks to the congregation of Grace Lutheran Church for your kind generosity to our military through Thrivent Financial for Lutherans' Collier County Chapter #30728 "Hands On Day."

May 5th was an extremely successful endeavor with nine participating Lutheran churches in Naples, numerous volunteers and an abundance of contributions for the service men and women in Iraq and Afghanistan. Thank you!

Beverly Fritz and Barb Hillier

Vacation Bible School Volunteers Needed!

We still need volunteers June 4th through June 8th to help with the Drama Team, Bible Story Leader, and Playground Leader. We already have fifty kids registered with more registrations coming in every day! Won't you help us to share the love of Christ with these children? Please contact Becky if you are able to help us with this ministry opportunity!



Stewardship Corner

Scripture for this Sunday
May 13—Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:9-15: Lydia was one of the first converts to Christianity in Philippi, a city in northern Greece. Her new life and faith showed themselves in acts of love, like extending hospitality to Paul and his companions. Today God's stewards continue to give evidence of their faith through living and giving.

Attendance (5-6-2007)

8:00am Divine Service	110	Communion attendance	91
10:30am Divine Service	165	Communion attendance	130
Adult Bible Class	53	Sunday School	18