Adult Sunday School Classes at 9:30 am Today

Pastoral Bible Study – Exodus -- FLC Lobby
Young Adults – Brian Kaul – Room 206
Joel Roettger – Book of Mark – FLC Classroom 113
Laurie Martin – Martin Luther's Reformation -- FLC 111
Women Seeking Wisdom –- Reading the New Testament – FLC Classroom 114
Guys in the Garage – Book of Acts – FLC Classroom 115
Middle School & Senior High — Youth Room
Sunday School Classes at 11 am Today

Bible 101 – "Be Encouraged" – led by Dave Harjala — Room #206 Hot Topic – A Peek into the Apocrypha -- led by Chuck Christiansen – Room #203

2018 Offering Envelopes are now in your church mailbox.

Mailboxes are located down the hall from the Coffee area.

Contribution statements for 2017 will be available by the end of January.

Seasoned Adults – *Wednesday*, January 3 at 11:30 am (Please note the different day for this month only)

The program featured is something that effects **everyone** of us. FBI Agent Joyce McCants, will speak on **Scams**, **Frauds**, **and Senior Safety**. Some of us are seniors, but ALL of us know seniors. Scams and frauds abound, and many target the "elderly" by focusing on their lifestyles and savings. Furthermore, **gangs** and their activities, are occurring not only in our area, but throughout our country. What precautions to take, and how we can help law enforcement agencies to protect us, will be discussed. **Deadline for reservations is DECEMBER 29.** You do not need to be a "seasoned adult" to attend. CONTACT: Freia Micha, Bev Knipp, or Dot Ryan to let them know you will attend the luncheon.

Upcoming Birthdays...12/17 Megan Gardner (16); 12/18 Amanda Newport, Blake Thompson; 12/19 Mitch Fisher, Dale Henderson, Joyce Satterfield, Gary Scott; 12/20 Zoe Butler (13), Susan Dusky, Randy Hatfield, Blakely and Brooklyn Hicks (1), Betty Metz, Zak Smith, Pat Varhol, Anna Vick (1); 12/21 Diane Nichols; 12/22 Gregory Koenig; 12/23 Finn Knoernschild (2), Aaron Schoenike, Larry Voorhees; 12/24 Bob Kurtz; 12/25 Steve Jergesen, Carol Plyler, Mary Schultz; 12/26 John Beeler, Christi McIlwain; 12/27 Georgene Pitcher; 12/29 Sarah Smithey; 12/30 Traci Roth; 12/31 Grace Schoenfelder (10), Susan Wright.

Upcoming Anniversaries...12/20...Gwen & Jim Erpenbach (9), Cecil & LuAnne Peters (32), Andrew & Jamie Wolfe (9); 12/27 Erick & Christi McIlwain (20), Jesse & Laura Smithey (14); 12/28 Cindy & David Plummer (43); 12/29 Alex & Nancy DeTrana (16); 12/30 Doug & AdriAnne Kothe (34), Robert & Linda Schmid (5), Mickey & Kristi Tunstall (23); 12/31 Micah-John & Shannon Beierle (5)



The Graceland Express Sunday School Christmas Program TODAY at 5 pm in the Family Life Center

Don't miss this musical Christmas program featuring the talented children at Grace (as well as a few surprise guests!) The Graceland Express is a mashup of some popular Christmas movies and songs all while explaining the true meaning of Christmas.

Advent Worship Services This Week
12 noon worship with childcare -- lunch follows
Mexican chili with cornbread muffins
(freewill offering)

6:30 pm worship service
Supper is before the service and begins at 5:15 pm
Ham and bean soup, rolls and salad
\$4 per adult, \$2 per child, \$10 per family maximum

Grace Lutheran Parent's Day Out!

Who: Infants 13 months - pre-k

What: Tuition based pre-school sessions.

Bible-based program for young children;

staffed with well-qualified teachers and aides.

The love of Jesus shared in this safe and happy environment! When: WINTER/SPRING session to begin January 10th 2018.

All days are 9:00am-1:00pm

Where: The Children's Wing nursery and classrooms

Cost: Winter/Spring Session - \$100.00 Monthly plus

\$60.00 Registration/Supply Fee for January 10th-May 16th

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Parade of Tables - Saturday, March 3, 2018

Parade of Tables is a luncheon for women. The hostesses decorate their table to a theme. This year the theme is: "Your Dream Vacation Destination". All proceeds from the sale of tickets goes to a charity chosen to benefit. This is a very popular event here at Grace and usually sells out. Mark your calendars now and start thinking of how you can decorate a table and be a hostess!

A couple from the Chicago area that has visited with us is retiring and building a home here in the area. They are looking for a place to rent in the West Knoxville area as they travel back and forth while their house is built. If you can help, please contact the church office (691-2823) for more information and the contact information.

A pair of black framed reading glasses in a grey case were found in the parking lot on Wednesday. Please call the church office if they are yours.

++++++Serving at Our Worship Services Today+++++

8:00 am Traditional 9:30 am Blended Sam Jones Craig Emerson Worship Assistant: Larry Voorhees Dave Harjala

Erin Colbert, Steve Peterson. Readers: Steve Jergesen,

> Kevin King Carmita Wright

Altar: Amy Johnson and Maggie Geithman..... Davis Masters Morgan Schmidt Acolyte: Roslyn Turner, Barbara Laneman Kristin McGee Greeters: Ushers: Allen Schultz. Steve Jergesen Jack McGee

Elder:

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WELCOME TO GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Our Church Activities for This Week of December 17, 2017

Today	8:00am 9:30am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am 12:30pm 5:00pm 9:30am	Traditional Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary Blended Worship Service with Holy Communion, Sanctuary Sunday School for Children, Bible Studies for Adults Contemporary Worship Service with Holy Communion, FLC Adult Bible Studies Rings of Grace, Sanctuary Sunday School Christmas Program, Family Life Center MOPS, Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	9.50am	MOF 3, I ellowship i lali
Wednesday	9:00am	Parents Day Out
Woundday	12:00pm	Advent Worship, Sanctuary (lunch follows)
	5:15pm	Supper begins, Family Life Center
	6:30pm	Advent Worship Service, Sanctuary
	7:30pm	Adult Choir, Sanctuary
	7:30pm	Prayer Team, Sanctuary
Thursday	7:00am	Mens Bible Study
•	6:30pm	GraceNotes Handbell Choir, Sanctuary
	6:30pm	ESL, Fellowship Hall



Christmas Worship Schedule

10 am - Worship Service in Sanctuary with Holy Communion Sunday, December 24

> Christmas Eve Worship -- 4 pm and 7 pm 11 pm with Holy Communion

8 am, 9:30 am and 11 am - Regular Worship Services Sunday, December 31