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

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!

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.

Happy New Year to you all!

We celebrated the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ and now we need to proceed in doing what He has called us to do. My job as president of the Grace Lutheran Women in Mission is to gather the women on Saturday, January 13, 2018 at 9:30 AM, in the Fellowship Hall for Bible study and fellowship. Please join us for some food, fellowship and time in His Holy Word. We have a blank slate for our February and March meetings so some input and suggestions would be welcome. If child care is needed, please contact Sandie Harjala, 865-201-2244, by Wednesday January 10. I look forward to seeing you!

Birthdays this week...12/31 Grace Schoenfelder (10), Susan Wright; 1/1 Randi Ray, Allen Scraggs; 1/3 Diane Chaffey, Bob Miller, Kristin Tunstall; 1/4 Karl Kennedy, Jack McGee; 1/5 Patrick Angelino (14); 1/6 Kaylen Teague (10), Jon Treffert

Anniversaries this week...12/31 Micah-John & Shannon Beierle (5)

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. You do not need to be a "seasoned adult" to attend. CONTACT: Freia Micha, Bev Knipp, or Dot Ryan TODAY to let them know you will attend the luncheon.

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

CONTACT: FRIEDA GUTHRIE - DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES -@865-691-2823

EXT#114, CHILDRENSMIN@VISITGRACE.ORG OR

BRENDA GADDIS - NURSERY COORDINATOR 865-539-2154

New Classes this January...

Adult Inquiry Class (AIC) begins Tuesday, January 16... from 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace begins Tuesday, January 23...6:30 – 8 pm

Dave Ramsey's Legacy Journey begins Thursday, January 25...6:30 – 8 pm

Visit our website, <u>www.visitgrace.org</u> for more information.

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

A Holy Land Pilgrimage is being hosted by Rev. Michael Wolfram, Spirit Lake, IA, and Teacher Timothy Wolfram, Seacrest FL. from February 4-13, 2019. This 10 day Biblical tour of Israel will feature stops at locations highlighting Jesus' ministry. For more information about this faith enriching opportunity contact Rev. Wolfram at 515-988-4324 (C) or email him at mcwolfram@aol.com or contact Tim Wolfram at 865-522-0951 or email him at timwolfram@bellsouth.net. Early Bird registrations begin going away incrementally on January 15, 2018.

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

8:00 am Traditional 9:30 am Blended Elder: Sam Jones Craig Emerson Worship Assistant: Larry Voorhees Dave Harjala Carol Haase..... Altar: Reader: Byron Mahan Gary Schneider Elizabeth DeTrana Addie Scraggs Acolyte: Peggy Harvey, Toni Nivens Linda Sturk Greeters: Dennis Nivens. Dennis Laneman Richard Sturk Ushers:

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WELCOME TO GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Our Church Activities for This Week of December 31, 2017

Today Monday Tuesday	8:00am 9:30am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am	Traditional Worship, Sanctuary Blended Worship Service, Sanctuary Sunday School for Children, Bible Studies for Adults Contemporary Worship Service, FLC Adult Bible Studies Church Office closed
Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday	11:30am 7:30am 9:00am 9:00am 8:00am 9:30am 9:30am 11:00am 11:00am 5:00pm	Seasoned Adults, Family Life Center Mens Bible Study Womens Bible Study Mid-South Treasurers Workshop, Fellowship Hall Traditional Worship, 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 We Care Grace Group at Schultz's

There will be no worship service or children's or youth activities this coming Wednesday.

Everything will start up again next Wednesday, January 10 with all our service, activities and supper.

See you then!

Prayer Request Cards
Our "pink" cards are no longer pink.
They are white with our blue and green logo on it.
They can be found in your pew rack with attendance cards.
Please feel free to hand in a prayer card for our Pastors and our prayer team who pray for the requests on these cards. We can also send a card to the person or persons we are praying for if you would like.