

Sharing God's Grace

Living His Word

Sunday School – 9:10 am Sunday Divine Worship – 10:30 am Monday Divine Worship – 7:00pm Grace in Action

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For the Week Beginning March 26, 2017

<u>Holy Communion</u> is celebrated today *after* the divine service. When you see the sanctuary doors close, come back in. Take a registration slip from a pew, fill it out and go to the altar steps. You are encouraged to use pages 329-330 in Lutheran Service Book to aid in your preparation for this sacred meal.

We Welcome Into God's Eternal Family through Holy Baptism Cora Reese Patterson and Sloan Ainsley Patterson, children of Kyle and Kelly Patterson. Cora's sponsors are Ginny Gohlke, Cody Gohlke. Taylor and Casie Ward. Sloan's sponsors are Burt Gohlke, Vance Gohlke, and Taylor Gohlke. The Lord bless their baptismal journey!

<u>Need A Prayer:</u> for yourself or someone else? In the entryway our Stephen Ministers are available and easy to spot. Just look for their blue nametag. Remember the power of prayer!

Monday Service is tomorrow at 7pm. Who are you inviting?

Door Offering: Today is the last day to help support "The Way Retreat Center," a much-needed ministry facility in Midland. The basket is in the entryway.

<u>Graceful Seniors</u> meets Tuesday at 10am in the Community Room as we continue our study of Matthew.

<u>The Places of the Passion</u> Lenten services are Wednesday at noon and 7 pm. This week is about "The Courtyard" as our theme is "A Place of Renewal."

<u>LifeDate:</u> The Spring 2017 edition is now available. We are proudly pro-life, so pick up your copy in the new resource rack.

April Newsletter is available today. Pick yours up.

Portals of Prayer: The latest edition is now available on the Usher's stand in the back of the sanctuary. Take one for yourself and one or more to give as a witness to your Lord.

<u>Wednesday Meal:</u> Is at 5:00 during Lent. The menu this week is of soups & sandwiches sponsored by B.A.S.I.C. A free-will offering is appreciated to help cover expenses.

<u>Focal Point 2.0:</u> meets TODAY from 6-7:30 pm in the Youth Room. This is for Junior High youth only.

<u>Preteen Event:</u> "Hamilton Backyard Adventures" hosted by Hunter Hamilton and his parents, Ryan & Tiffani at their home, 2501 Texland Circle, **TODAY – 4-6pm.** Friends are welcome to join the adventure!

Associate Pastor Call Update: We have issued a designated Call for a Candidate Concordia, Ft. Wayne. He is 26 years old, married with a young child. He also has some Texas roots Keep praying!

Easter Lily(ies): Would you like to provide a lovely lily or two for our Easter Sunday Divine Service? Make sure to fill out your envelope with your dedication. Cost is \$12 each. Last day to order is **Palm Sunday**, **April 9**th. Envelopes are on ushers' stand by the *Portals of Prayer*.

Blanket Sunday: The deadline has been extended until April 30th. Please leave your blanket on the table in the foyer. See our April newsletter for more details or contact Jerry Penick at 694-1497.

<u>College Connection:</u> Help fill the Spring College Connect Boxes. Check out the display for suggestions. Place your items in the drop box by **April 10**th. Contact Cindy Hilton 639-7159 with questions. The Board of Missions & members of S.O.S. thank you for supporting this ministry.

Endowment Funds: Grace members are reminded of available Scholarship financial support from certain endowment funds. Please see our April newsletter for complete details.

<u>Ladies of ALL Ages:</u> Save the date – *Sunday, April 30th*! Following our Divine Service we will be having a special event for ladies, including our young ladies in grade school. More details to come soon.

Young Adults Kick-Off Social: Six young adults have been meeting on Tuesday nights during the month of March for Turbo Training in preparation for a new Connection Group for post college/pre-children age adults. The Young Adults group will "Kick-Off" with a Social on April 18th. Time TBA. Attending these leadership training sessions are Ashley Bains, Austin & Sarah Holley, Meg McCown, RJ Pase, & Stefan Parsley. Hosting the Turbo sessions are leaders from existing Connection Groups.

<u>Faces of the Reformation</u> is the subject of Pastor's Sunday School class. Next week: *Philip Melanchthon*.

Christmas in Action: Looking for an opportunity to put your faith to work? Literally? Then come paint with us. Our CIA day is coming up at 410 E. Dengar Ave. 4/21, day to prep & 4/22, day to paint. About 9am both days. 4/22 lunch provided and child care if needed. Please note that most work will be done from a ladder. Contact Jeff Turner 626-991-6308 or Greg Gannaway 432-212-2596 for more details. Use the Pink Sheet to let us know you will be serving.

<u>Church Directory Pictures:</u> Have you made an appointment to have your picture taken? **TODAY** is the last day to sign up. Have questions? Contact any member of the Public Relations Committee. Sharon Burks, Nicol Benton, Vicki Byars, Evelyn Gunter & Kathy McCown.

Servants, Grace Needs YOU! Check the MIT Board in the east hallway for the 2017 sign-up sheets or use the Pink Sheets. Tellers & Worship Delivery Service needed for April. Thanks to Mina Fitting for signing up for Teller & Jeff Turner for Worship Service Delivery in March.

2017 Flower Chart is located "at the Grace bulletin board in the south hallway." Sign up for your special Sunday today and be sure to take a dedication/payment envelope!

<u>Today's Light Bible Week Sixty-Five:</u> This week as we continue to read through Ezekiel daily pause and pray, giving thanks for the privilege we have been afforded to gather together in His house to be fed by Him.

<u>Connection Groups</u> is what we call small groups of 4 to 12 people. We have Connections who meet twice monthly on Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays in age or interest related Groups. For more information, please contact Ryan or Tiffani Hamilton, Chad or Lisa Dalager, Bill or Carolyn Hartzoge, Carol Massie, Gene or Millie Abel, Pastor Pase, or check out the MIT board in the long hallway across from the restrooms.

Life Quote: "The trap of a human philosophy and society shaped by merely utilitarian aims will always (and I mean 'always') lead to horror and hatred. Always. No matter how smart we get, how advanced our technical skills, how 'scientific' we think we are, the human person is more than what we can see. If we weren't more than that, there would be no art, no beauty, no poetry. We are more than what we see!" Fr. Barnabas Powell, Cumming, Georgia – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

<u>The Lutheran Hour:</u> "Freedom in the Spirit" *Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz.* Jesus frees you to be the person you were created, redeemed, and called to be. (*Romans 8:1-11.*) The Lutheran Hour airs at 7:30am on KWEL AM 1070 & 107.1 FM

<u>Family Shield Ministries:</u> "Why I Left the Watchtower Society" Dr. Jeff Schwehm, an ex-Jehovah's Witness. Family Shield airs at 8:00am on KWEL AM 1070 & 107.1 FM.

<u>Listen....God is Calling:</u> Psalm 142:5 — I cry to you, O LORD; I say, "You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living." The Lord is our portion, our refuge, our everything. His mercy preserves through all our days in the land of the living. This confidence frees us from the fear that so often leads to sins of greed and coveting. We have the Lord, we have a Father, He is in control – so we can follow His Word in confidence.

Stephen Ministry: Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for your brothers, love one another deeply from the heart. I Peter 1:22

Last Week at Grace

Sunday Divine Service (03/19)	124
Sunday School Attendance (03/19)	57
Monday Divine Service (03/20)	12
Wednesday Lent Worship (Noon 3/22)	23
Wednesday Lent Worship (7pm 3/22)	
First Fruit Giving (03/13 & 03/19)	
Wednesday Lent (03/15)	
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Sunday Morning Sunday School/Faith Formation

Coffee, juice, & donuts are se	erved at 9:00
Adult	Fellowship Hall
Faces of the Reformation	Pastor Pase
Adult	Community Room
Growing in Christ	Will Krueger
AdultRoo	om 10 West Hallway
Sunday Lessons Bradley Bai	ins & Pete Lufholm
Grades 7-12	
	Chad & Lisa Dalager
Adventure Zones in Bibleville	Bibleville
Age	es 3 years- 6 th Grade
Little Lambs (Ages 0-2)	Room 14
	Lauren Schwalbach

Graceful Living This Week

This Sunday 03.26.17
7:30
8:00Family Shield KWEL AM 1070 & 107.1 FM
9:10 Sunday School
10:30Worship
2:00Legacy Ranch Service
4:00
6:00
Monday
6:00Joyful Tones
7:00Worship
Tuesday
10:00Graceful Seniors
2:00-9:00 Directory Pictures
6:00
7:00
Wednesday
6:45 SonRise Women/Men of Grace
Noon
5:00 Dinner - Soups & Sandwiches
5:45
5:45Midweek Ministry
6:00
7:00 Lenten Service
7:45
Thursday
9:30Quilters

Our ECP is Built Up In Him. Please study *John 10, Psalm 23 with us this week.*

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2:00Legacy Ranch Service



Next Sunday

