



✚ Sharing God's Grace

✚ Living His Word

✚ Making Disciples

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

Grace in Action

3000 West Golf Course Road
Midland, TX 79701
432.697.3221

www.GraceLutheranMidland.org
office@gracelutheranmidlandtx.org

For the Week Beginning April 15, 2018

Communion: We celebrate Holy Communion today. **Please read carefully the statement concerning Holy Communion** provided in the worship folder. In faithfulness to God's Word we practice close communion. It is our privilege and responsibility to prepare for this sacred meal. You are encouraged to use pages 329-330 in Lutheran Service Book to aid in your preparation for this sacred meal.

Need A Prayer: 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!

Welcome to Grace's Family: Today we welcome Irene Greenhall, coming by way of transfer from Grace, Hobbs NM and the Keeley family, Frank, Robin, Joshua, Gabriel and Ethan who come by way of Profession of Faith.

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.

LifeDate: The Spring 2018 edition is now available. We are proudly pro-life, so pick up your copy in the new resource center.

Sharing Newsletter: The March copy from LCMS World Relief and Human Care is in the resource center. Get your copy today.

College Connect: Today is the DEADLINE to drop off items for the College Connect Care Boxes for our college students.

Please sign the cards and add a Bible verse for each student. Please keep Brensen Bains, Maleigha Barber, Natalie Keese, Margeaux Mahmoud, Brittany Price, Ryan Shultz and Casey Werner in your prayers. Many thanks for supporting this ministry.

LWML West Texas Zone Spring Workshop: Is today at 2pm. The host is Alive in Christ Lutheran Church in Big Spring.

Parish Planning Council is rescheduled to meet this evening in the Community Room at 6 pm. All officers and Board chairs are to be present.

Monday Service is TOMORROW at 7pm! Who haven't you seen in a while? Reach out and invite them to come with you.

Wednesday Ministry Activities: Are at 6:30pm. There's a place for YOU at Grace on Wednesdays too!

Wednesday Meal: Is at 5:15 in the Fellowship Hall. The menu this week is **Chicken Strips**. A free-will offering is appreciated to help cover expenses.

Newsletter Deadline: for May's edition is this Friday at 2 pm.

Confirmation Cards: are still available in the greeting card display in the east hallway. Please make your checks out to *Grace Guild*.

Peru Foro Meeting: Pastor Pase will be attending the meeting of the partners with our Lutheran mission in Peru Friday through Monday. This trip isn't to Peru though. He is traveling to Mission Central in Mapleton, Iowa. This is the location where the missionaries and partners seek to widen the support for this mission.

Slate of Nominations: Check the MIT Board in the east hallway for the 2018-2020 nominations as they currently stand.

Voters' Assembly is scheduled to meet next Sunday after the divine service. Among the business items is the election of officers/board members as well as a report from our Polity Committee. Good news about the columbarium should also be ready to be shared. All voters are reminded of their responsibility. Lunch will be served.

Furniture Available: We have given new décor to the parlor and entryway too. We have a sofa, coffee table and chair available for you. A donation to the organ improvement fund is asked in lieu of payment. Talk with Pastor Pase. First come, first served.

Organ Improvement Project: We have already received in gifts and pledges over \$73k for this much needed project. All the details are in your newsletter. Pledge forms are to be turned into the church office or given directly to Pastor Pase. Your prayers are greatly appreciated.

ECP Book Fair: is April 23rd – 27th. Please stop by to see this year's exclusive selection for all age groups. Remember, it's buy one, get one FREE.

Coming Soon – ECP Book Fair: Buy 1, get 1 free. Help the *Lutheran Literacy Project* when you buy books. Buy 1 and donate your free one. Buy 1 and donate it and the free one to the Project. Watch for the designated collection space.

Endowment Committee News: This is a reminder that college scholarship financial aid is available to members of Grace who are attending or planning to attend an accredited four-year institution. The aid is \$1,000 per year. Complete details will be in your April newsletter. Stay tuned!

Stephen Ministry: It's polite to say thank you when you receive a gift. God has given us the greatest gift of all—eternal life and unconditional love in Jesus Christ. How can you say thanks? Stephen Ministers are sharing the love they have received with others who may feel unloved and alone in their troubles.

Extreme Makeover...in HIS Image: 1 John 3:2 – “Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.” There is the essence of our sanctification: becoming like our Lord. As St. John notes, this will only be completed in the Resurrection. But until then we are called to trust His grace and to grow into His image more and more.

Life Quote: “When people question the value of a life lived with disability, I share God’s Word concerning the body of Christ in 1 Corinthians 12:22 (NIV): ‘On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable.’ Note it does not say those that are weaker, but those that ‘seem to be weaker are indispensable!’” *Mona Fuerstenau, director of Lutheran Ministry Partnerships, Bethesda Lutheran Communities – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

The Lutheran Hour: "Peace to You" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer. Christians often say, "The Lord be with you." What does that look like? And how do you know Jesus is indeed with you? Jesus' visit to His first disciples shows us the how and what of confidence in Christ. (Luke 24:36-49)

Family Shield Ministries: “TBA” Airs at 8:00am on KWEL AM 1070 & 107.1 FM.

Last Week at Grace

Sunday Divine Service (04/08) 136
 Sunday School Attendance (04/08)..... 75
 Monday Divine Service (04/09)..... 8
 First Fruit Giving (04/08) \$9,520.00

Sunday Morning Sunday School/Faith Formation

Coffee, juice, & donuts are served at 9:00

Adult..... Fellowship Hall
Isaiah Pastor Pase
Adult..... Community Room
Growing in Christ Pastor Allman
Adult..... Parlor
Sunday Lessons Pete Lufholm
Grades 7-8..... Youth Room
..... Ryan & Tiffani Hamilton
Grades 9-12..... Youth Room
..... Chad & Lisa Dalager
Adventure Zones in Bibleville Bibleville
..... Ages 3 years – 6th Grade
Little Lambs (Ages 0-2)..... Room 12
..... Kelly Patterson & Larissa Keller

Graceful Living This Week

This Sunday **04.15.18**

7:30 *The Lutheran Hour* KWEL AM
 1070 & 107.1 FM
 8:00 *Family Shield* KWEL AM
 AM 1070 & 107.1 FM
 9:10 Sunday School
 10:30 Divine Service w/Communion
 11:45 Board of Youth
 2:00 WTX Zone LWML Workshop
 2:30 Legacy Ranch
 6:00 PPC

Monday

9:15 Board of Ed.
 6:00 Joyful Tones
 7:00 Divine Worship w/Communion

Wednesday

6:45 Men of Grace
 5:15 Meal – Chicken Strips
 6:30 Midweek Ministry
 6:30 Joyful Chorus

Thursday

9:30 Quilters
 11:30 Polity Committee

Friday

2:00 **Newsletter Deadline**

Next Sunday **04.22.18**

7:30 *The Lutheran Hour* KWEL AM
 1070 & 107.1 FM
 8:00 *Family Shield* KWEL AM
 AM 1070 & 107.1 FM
 9:10 Sunday School
 10:30 Divine Service
 11:45 Voters’ Assembly
 2:30 Legacy Ranch

Our ECP continues to *Shine* this week.
 You are invited to read
 Matthew 28:16 – 20, Acts 1:1 – 11
with us this week.

