Grace Announcements

For the Week of February 13th

**Notes for Worship**

**Welcome GUESTS!** We are SO GLAD to be able to gather again to praise our Lord together in His house and receive His gifts.

**Children’s Bulletins** are available on the table in the narthex for kids ages 3 & up, and 7 & up. Help yourself!

A quick summary of Grace’s current **COVID-19 church policy**:

*- Wearing masks is* ***optional*** *yet encouraged.*

*- Alternating pews will be* ***roped off*** *in the front of the sanctuary.*

*- Households are encouraged to sit* ***socially distant*** *from other households. Shaking hands is discouraged.*

*- Pastor will wear a* ***mask*** *during Children’s Messages and a* ***mask and gloves*** *during Holy Communion.*

*-* ***Offering plates*** *will be placed in the narthex.*

*- Pick up a copy of the* ***worship service*** *in the narthex – instead of using a hymnal.*

- *During* ***Holy Communion*** *the Usher will dismiss people (starting with the left side) to the* ***tape crosses*** *(on the carpet) during Holy Communion. People may choose to kneel.* ***Individual cups*** *will be distributed and can be discarded into the baskets along the walls.*

*- Coffee hour is suspended for the time being.*

For the time being, parents (or grandparents) are invited to teach their own children **Children’s Church**. A table, lesson, and supplies will be provided in the Fellowship Hall. Or, parents may choose to keep their children in worship throughout the service and pick up a **“Children’s Church To Go Bag”** afterwards in the Fellowship Hall.

This morning **Myles and Giovanna Bremke** are bringing their son **Robert Edward Bremke** to the saving waters of Holy Baptism. **Matthew Bremke** and **Stephanie Landgraf** are serving as sponsors.

**Happenings at Grace**

**February Voter’s Meeting packets** are delivered this weekend through your email or church mailbox. If you didn’t receive one and would like to, please contact Pastor Josh. If you did receive one, please read it before our next meeting.

**FREE lightbulbs** are available on the table in the Fellowship Hall. They were previously used in the sanctuary, but were switched out. Please take what you like. Rest to be donated.

Pastor’s Sunday morning **Adult Bible Class** meets again in 3 weeks on March 6th at 9 am.

We need someone with a digital camera or good camera phone to **take pictures** of the church leaders after worship NEXT Sunday. If willing, please talk to Pastor Josh.

The **2022 Flower Chart** has been posted in the hallway. If you’d like to bring or buy flowers for an upcoming Sunday, please use it to sign up; recalling the updated policy posted.

If you would like an end of the year **church offering report**, please contact Sue Walker. You can call, text or email. 440-822-9323 or suze204@hotmail.com.

**THIS WEEK AT GRACE**

 Mon. 2/14 Confirmation Class 3:30 pm

 Sun. 2/20 Voters’ Meeting 11:20 am

**SERVING THE LORD AT GRACE**

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| **DATE** | **Usher** | **Acolyte** | **Greeter** | **Counters** | **Altar Guild** | **Lay Reader** |
| **Feb. 14, 21** | Paul Castle | Carter Jones | Lisa Lalonde | Glen F. & Jan Koepp | Kathy Knipper | Paul C. & Anita S. |
| **Feb. 27, Mar. 6** | Tom M. | David Jones | Sue W. | Jan Koepp & Lisa L. | Karen Huston | David Jones |

The **January 23rd** attendance was **9** with **7** communing.

The **January 30th** attendance was **32** with **22** communing.

The **February 6th** attendance was **29** with **19** communing.

**1+1+1 Giving Program**

The plastic donation container on the narthex table is for the **1+1+1 program**. All English District members are encouraged to participate by simply donating $1 (above and beyond their usual church offering), From today through August 31, 2022 all the monies donated toward this program will go to two new mission-start congregations: **Blessed Sacrament Lutheran Church** (Hayden, ID) & **St. John Lutheran Church** (Clarksburg, WV). Check out the flyer on the plastic container or go to englishdistrict.org/1-1-1-dollar-missions for more info.

**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

**Myron Bremke** (Keystone Pointe) - shut-in, general health

**Mary Dodson** (home) – shut-in, general health

**Micki Jones** (Lorain Community Hospital) – heart

**Communion Statement** of

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

A congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS)

 At Grace we come to the altar to receive the gift of the Lord’s Supper. In the Lord’s Supper those who are baptized receive through faith the true body and true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ “in, with and under” the bread and wine for their personal forgiveness and strengthening of faith (Matt. 26:26-28; John 6:51-55). We examine ourselves beforehand, mindful of our need for repentance (1 Cor. 11:27-79). In the Lord’s Supper we are united with Christ and His body the Church, and also reflect the unity we have as a congregation with a common Christian, biblically-based confession (1 Cor.10:16-17); see also John 6:56; Acts 2:42; Romans 16:17. Therefore, those who come forward to receive the Lord’s Supper should be united with us in our understanding of the Lord’s Supper, the real presence of Jesus therein, and the Lutheran Faith. We ask that any visitors who wish to be our guests at the Lord’s Table please talk to the Pastor before the worship service.

 Note: the cups of wine in the inner circle, which are a different color than the others, are non-alcoholic.