

# THIS WEEK AT GRACE

March 20, 2017



A message from Pastor Rebecca,

*John 4:19-21 The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem."*

Family ties run deep. While Samaritans and Jews did not "share things in common" in Jesus' day, they shared a common heritage at one time. Jesus, in his conversation over the well with a Samaritan woman bridged a huge divide. He offered her living water, and proclaimed to her the good news of the Messiah come near. Their interaction meant that Jesus stayed with people he was traditionally not supposed to get along with, and was a catalyst for many people becoming believers. When we follow Jesus' example, and go out of our way to reach out and show love, we are putting into motion love greater than we can imagine. Like the Samaritan woman, we can begin a conversation, and invite people to come and see, but then be able to step back, and watch the amazing work Jesus can do in a simple gesture.

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**STEWARDS OF GOD'S GRACE** - Your Stewardship Invitation was sent out on February 27. Please prayerfully consider how you will respond to God's invitation, and return your RSVP card in the basket at the altar when you come to the communion table. If you need another RSVP card, some are available in the Fellowship Hall. Be sure to write your response to "What you think we could do in ministry if we had an additional \$50,000?" on the door in the Fellowship Hall. Also, please take a "Stewards of God's Grace" keychain!

**STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY** - is **April 2**, with **ONE SERVICE** at **10:00 AM** (blended contemporary and traditional) with a celebratory brunch immediately following in the Fellowship Hall. Mail your RSVP card by March 24, or sign up on Sunday's Tear and Share.

**LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS** - continue on **March 22** with Worship and Music hosting soup and bread at **6:15 PM** in the Fellowship Hall. Come, enjoy a simple meal with church family and stay for Lenten worship.

**LENTEN HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER SERVICES** - After supper, gather in the Sanctuary for Holden Evening Prayer at **7:00 PM**. This year's reflections will be based on Martin Luther's Small Catechism, continuing with the Lord's Prayer on March 22.

**EASTER BREAKFAST** - Please join us for Easter Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall on Easter morning, **April 16**, from **9:00 to 11:00 a.m.** We will be serving quiche/breakfast casseroles, hash browns, fruit, mini muffins, orange juice, tea and coffee. We always have a big turnout for Easter Breakfast; therefore, we ask that you please sign up on the tear and share or call the office indicating how many people will be attending. Also, if you would like to donate a quiche/breakfast casserole for the breakfast, please indicate that as well. If you bring a quiche to share, please make sure it is heated before you bring it. Hope to see you at Grace's Easter Breakfast. We will have a free will offering to cover the cost of food and drinks.

**SOFTBALL** - Grace's Co-ed Softball team has started practicing. Contact Larry Wunsch if you would still like to be a part. The first games are scheduled for March 21 at 6:45 PM and 7:50 PM at Cherry Park.

**EASTER BASKETS OF BLESSING** - Please pick up an egg in the Fellowship Hall and provide a basket of goodies for seniors in our community. There is a list of suggested items on the back. Baskets are due back on April 2.

**GIFT EASTER EGG HUNT** - We are collecting candy for the GIFT children's Easter Egg Hunt April 2. Please drop donations by March 26 in Pastor Rebecca's office.

**SAVE THE DATE** - Parents of children ages 2-5, the next Milestone Ministry is right around the corner. We will hold the **PRAYER Milestone** on **Saturday, May 6th** at **9am** in the **fellowship hall**. There will be a sign up sheet in the fellowship hall beginning Sunday, March 19th. We can't wait to share this precious Milestone with you and your child.

**LUTHEROAD (JUNE 5-9) AND VBS (JULY 24-28) SIGN UP SHEETS** - are posted in the Fellowship Hall. Please stop by to sign up your child(ren) and pick up registrations forms.

## GRACE CALENDAR

### MONDAY - March 20

1:30 PM Newcomers KnitWits (Common)  
4:30 PM Children's Music (Music)  
5:30 PM Grace Ringers (Sanctuary)  
6:00 PM York County Quilters (FH)  
6:30 PM Cub Scouts (Youth)  
7:00 PM Grace Alone (Sanctuary)  
7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #540 (106-107)

### TUESDAY - March 21

5:30 PM Chrysalis (Conf)  
6:00 PM Vision Team (109)  
6:30 PM WELCM (WH)  
6:30 PM AA (101)  
6:45 PM Softball (Cherry Park, Field 3)  
7:50 PM Softball (Cherry Park, Field 3)

### WEDNESDAY - March 22

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Chrysalis Safety Training (Conf)  
9:30 AM Grace-C Quilters (103)  
11:30 AM Robinson Funeral Meal (FH and Kit)  
1:00 PM Margaret Robinson Funeral (Sanc)  
6:15 PM Soup Supper (Worship & Music) (FH)  
6:30 PM AA (101)  
7:00 PM Holden Evening Prayer (Sanctuary)  
7:30 PM Parish Choir (Music)

### THURSDAY - March 23

7:30 AM Centering Prayer (Prayer Room)  
12:30 PM - 5:00 PM Chrysalis Safety Training (Conf)  
6:00 PM Champions in Motion (FH)

### FRIDAY - March 24

#### Pastor Rebecca Vacation

#### Wild Women Weekend

5:30 PM AA (101)

### SATURDAY - March 25

#### Pastor Rebecca Vacation

#### Wild Women Weekend

6:30 AM Bite it Up Blue (FH & Kitchen)  
9:00 AM Council Retreat (Grace)

### SUNDAY - March 26

#### Pastor Rebecca Vacation

#### Wild Women Weekend

8:30 AM Contemporary Worship  
9:45 AM Coffee Fellowship  
9:45 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Traditional Worship  
5:30 PM GYM (Youth)  
7:00 PM AA (101)

## Sunday, March 26th Worship Assistants

#### **Hospitality:**

Classic Bible Study Class

#### **Muggers:**

Robin Ketner and Doug Gay

#### **Nursery:**

Patti Saunders

#### **Tabulators:**

Hester/Winsch

#### **Altar Guild:**

Frances Davis and Melissa Tucker

#### **8:30 AM**

*Lector:* Steve Johnson

*Communion Assistant:* Sig Huitt

*Petitioner:* Michele Minor

*Acolyte:* Tyler Stegall

*Greeter:* Sig Huitt

*Ushers:* Dan Bartel, Tom Stuniolo,

Earl Gatlin, Harold Williams

#### **11:00 AM**

*Lector:* Don Horst

*Communion Assistant:* Debbie Gignac

*Petitioner:* Dee Westbrook

*Acolyte:* Dawson Harbert

*Greeters:* Don Horst

*Ushers:* Wally Seigler, Eric Waataja, Chad Seigler

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### **MARCH 2017**

Holden Evening Service

Wednesdays in Lent – 7:00 PM

Seniors@Grace

March 30, Carolina Copy Cats

### **APRIL 2017**

April 2 – 10:00 AM One Worship Service

April 2 – 11:30 AM - Stewardship Brunch

April 13 - Maundy Thursday Service - 7:00 PM

April 14 - Good Friday Service - 7:00 PM

April 16 - Easter - 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM

April 23 - 30 - Family Promise

### **MAY 2017**

Child Protection Training - May 21

SC Synod Assembly - May 21 - 23

### **JUNE 2017**

Lutheroad - June 5 – 9

LCY Convention - June 16 - 18

Confirmation Camp - June 18 - 24

### **JULY 2017**

GYM Mission Trip - July 9 - 14

VBS - July 24 - 28

### **OCTOBER 2017**

Women's Retreat - October 21-23 - Lutherock

