

# THIS WEEK AT GRACE

April 10, 2017



A message from Pastor Chris,

On Sunday we began our journey through Holy Week to the cross. The journey takes place from a field near Bethany in Jerusalem, from Jerusalem to the Mount of Olives, from there back to Jerusalem, from Jerusalem to Golgotha, and finally there is the journey to Calvary and the tomb. Each one of these journeys is a major journey in itself. Each of these journeys draws us into a world of darkness, betrayal, naked power, cowardice, and death. Perhaps that is why many try to avoid Holy Week altogether. For those of us who like things the way they are a comfortable pew, joy, peace, and love, and who find illness, separation, betrayal and darkness offensive, we may well be uncomfortable with the reality of this world. We know the journey will get to Easter morning. We will arrive at the empty tomb, but holy week looms ahead in all of its darkness and despair. Jesus had to make the full journey and so do we. It should be a weighty task and one to which careful attention is paid. The cross and then the crown. There will be no resurrection with death. I invite you to join us for worship on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday at 7 PM, as we journey with Jesus to the Cross, for there can be no resurrection without the crucifixion.

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**FLOWERS FOR EASTER CROSS** - Don't forget your cut flowers from your gardens next Sunday, we will be decorating the Easter Cross and appreciate all donations. Thanks in advance. ~ Worship and Music

**EASTER BREAKFAST** - is on Easter morning, **April 16**, from **9:00 to 11:00 a.m.**, with quiche/breakfast casseroles, hash browns, fruit, mini muffins, orange juice, tea and coffee. Hope to see you at breakfast.

**PEANUT BUTTER NEEDED** - EBENEZER AVENUE ELEMENTARY is in need of small peanut butter jars to send home in children's bags for the weekend. We will be collecting these through the month of April. Please place them in a box in the Fellowship Hall!

**SOFTBALL** - Grace's Co-ed Softball team has started playing. Contact Larry Wunsch if you would still like to play. The next games are **April 11 at 8:55 PM** at Cherry Park. Come cheer on our team!

**PRAYER MILESTONE** - Parents of children ages 2-5, the next Milestone Ministry is **Saturday, May 6th at 9am** in the **fellowship hall**. We can't wait to share this precious Milestone with you and your child.

**COLLEGE STUDENT CARE NOTES** - The Milestone Ministry will be collecting monetary donations for our college student finals care letter. Please consider sending these students some monetary TLC from Grace during finals. Donations can be placed in the blue mailbox in the Fellowship Hall.

**NEW MEMBER'S CLASS** - Grace will offer a New Member's Informational Class and Lunch on **Sunday, April 23, 2017**, from **12:00 PM - 2:00 PM** in the **Fellowship Hall**. The class will explore the central teachings of the church as Lutherans understand them. We will also cover the many forms that Grace's ministry takes in and beyond Rock Hill, and opportunities for you to become involved in this congregation. New members will be received into fellowship on **Sunday, April 30**. Nursery available upon request. Please sign up on the Tear and Share, or call/email the office (803-324-5295 or [graceluthch@comporium.net](mailto:graceluthch@comporium.net)) to register.

**LUTHEROAD - June 5 through June 9, 2017.** Day Camp is a five-day program where many of the benefits of camp at Lutheridge come right to Grace. The program includes fun, worship, games, Bible study, fellowship, crafts, sharing and prayer, without having to stay away from home. Lutheroad is for rising K - 6th grade students, and is staffed by counselors from Lutheridge, working closely with members of Grace. Cost for the week is \$100: **DEPOSIT of \$25.00** is due Sunday, April 23, and the **BALANCE of \$75.00** is due Sunday, May 7. Pick up registration forms from the Youth Table in the Fellowship Hall and return the completed form to the office. Feel free to contact Amy Gamerl at [gracekids@comporium.net](mailto:gracekids@comporium.net) with any questions you may have.

**FIRST COMMUNION** - First communion instruction will be at **9:00 AM on Saturday, April 22**. Please sign up on the tear and share, or email Pastor Rebecca ([pastorlord@comporium.net](mailto:pastorlord@comporium.net)) if you are interested in having your child participate. First Communion will be celebrated at both services on **April 30**.

**SENIORS@GRACE** - Come and join us on **April 20 at 11:00 AM**. At 11:30 AM Annie-Laurie's Winthrop University Acting Student will perform "Who's Line is it Anyway", with a little help from our group of seniors. Program first, followed by a catered lunch. Sign up on the Tear and Share and plan to come to this fun event.

## GRACE CALENDAR

### MONDAY - April 10

10:00 AM P. Rebecca's Mutual Ministry (WH)  
5:30 PM Grace Ringers (Sanctuary)  
6:00 PM Campus Ministry (WH)  
6:30 PM Cub Scouts (Youth)  
7:00 PM Grace Alone (Sanctuary)  
7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #540 (106-107)

### TUESDAY - April 11

#### COUNCIL REPORTS AND NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE

1:30 PM Newcomers KnitWits (Common)  
6:00 PM Vision Team (109)  
6:30 PM WELCM (WH)  
6:30 PM AA (101)  
6:30 PM SCWW (105)  
7:30 PM Bridge Group (102)

### WEDNESDAY - April 12

9:30 AM Grace-C Quilters (103)  
5:30 PM Outreach (108)  
6:30 PM AA (101)  
7:00 PM Parish Choir (Music)

### THURSDAY - April 13

#### MAUNDY THURSDAY

7:30 AM Centering Prayer (Prayer Room)  
6:00 PM NO Champions in Motion (FH)  
7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Worship (Sanctuary)  
7:00 PM Main Street Theater (Common)

### FRIDAY - April 14

#### GOOD FRIDAY

5:30 PM AA (101)  
7:00 PM Good Friday Service (Sanctuary)

### SATURDAY - April 15

9:00 AM Sanctuary Clean Up (Sanctuary)

### SUNDAY - April 16

#### EASTER SUNDAY

8:00 AM Contemporary Easter Worship  
9:00 AM Easter Breakfast (FH)  
9:30 AM Festival Easter Worship  
11:00 AM Traditional Easter Worship  
5:30 PM NO GYM (Youth)  
7:00 PM AA (101)

## HOLY WEEK

### Worship Assistants

#### **MAUNDY THURSDAY - APRIL 13 - 7:00 PM**

*Lector:* Bill Davis  
*Communion Assistant:* Nora Sliney  
*Petitioner:* Kathy Schwandt  
*Read the Psalms:* Pam Kirby  
*Crucifer:*  
*Acolytes:*  
*Ushers:* Sig Huitt, Wally Seigler

#### **GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 14 - 7:00 PM**

*Lector:* Eric Schmidt  
*Crucifer:* Sig Huitt  
*Acolyte:* Cameron Tuck  
*Ushers:* Sig Huitt, Wally Seigler

#### **EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 16**

##### **Hospitality:**

Easter Breakfast

##### **Muggers:**

Martha Hester and Larry Winsch

##### **Nursery:**

Katie Romero

##### **Tabulators:**

Landsly/Stonebraker

##### **Altar Guild:**

Nora Sliney, Ellen Cafarella, April Peterson

##### **8:00 AM**

*Lector:* Skeeter Mills  
*Communion Assistant:* Earl Gatlin  
*Petitioner:* Pam Kirby  
*Crucifer:*  
*Acolytes:*  
*Ushers:* Bob Wasserman, Jack Lockwood,  
ShirLee Alfors, Jim Alfors

##### **9:30 AM**

*Lector:* Pam Wise  
*Communion Assistant:* Cameron Tuck  
*Petitioner:* Ruth Wasserman  
*Crucifer:*  
*Acolytes:*  
*Ushers:*

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

*Lector:* Dennis Legg  
*Communion Assistant:* Debbie Gignac  
*Petitioner:* April Hershey  
*Crucifer:* Josh Corbett  
*Acolytes:* Jacob Corbett and Dawson Harbert  
*Ushers:* Chris Cassidy, Kenny Meetze,  
Larry Winsch, Michelle del Castillo