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Receiving Christ Continually as God's People through Word and Sacrament

## Grace Lutheran Church

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod  
Heart of the Tri-Cities

### LARGE PRINT FUNDRAISER

The Large Print Ministry is having a fundraiser. It is at Auburn Hotel on January 29, 30 and 31st. You will need to present a coupon and we will receive 10% of your food bill. Give some coupons to your friends and family!! Coupons are in the narthax.

### THURSDAY A.M. FRIENDS

Join us Thursday, January 28th for a fun morning of cards, games and fellowship at 10:00. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m.



### BRUNCH AND PANTRY SHOWER

The installation of our Kantor Nathan Beethe, on Sunday, January 31, will be followed by a Brunch and Pantry Shower in the gym. The whole congregation is invited to attend and warmly welcome the Beethe family into our midst. There is no charge for the Brunch; however, to support them in their move we ask that you bring to the gym **Pantry Items** to stock their pantry. This might include non-perishable foods with no expired dates; such as canned goods, cereals, rice, or pasta; or paper products; like paper towels, napkins, foils, saran, or wax paper; or soaps and cleaning products, or a gift card to an area grocery store. See you there as Tom Wegener, our master of ceremonies, "**passes the PIPE**" to our new called and commissioned worker, Kantor Nathan Beethe.

Also, if you are able please consider bringing breakfast rolls, breads, desserts, or salads for the brunch. Thank you for helping, as we work together to make this a day of celebration and new beginnings for God's plan for ministry at Grace.

### LIFE SUNDAY CELEBRATION AND BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG

This Sunday we celebrate God's gift of Life both eternal and physical. Rev. Dr. James Lamb, former executive director of Lutherans For Life has stated, "If the life issues are merely political issues, then we need not discuss them in church. But if they are matters of the heart that touch people's souls and put our brothers and sisters in need, and we have what it takes to deal with matters of the heart -the Gospel of Jesus Christ-but close our hearts to doing so, how can God's love abide in us?" We thank God that at Grace the life issues are addressed as matters of the heart in sermons, Bible classes, and in the deeds of its members. As you consider the eternal and spiritual Gifts of Life God has given you, please consider giving generously to Beacon of Hope with your baby bottle. Extra bottles are available in the narthex and can be returned to the flannel-covered box by February 7. Thank you for your generous support.

### LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

This Sunday in your bulletin is a flyer and donation envelope highlighting the ministry of Lutherans for Life, a Recognized Service Organization of the LCMS, which serves to educate Lutherans on the life issues and equip Lutherans to be Gospel-motivated voices For Life. Visit the table in the narthex to view free information to support someone you know who may have had an abortion, information on how to talk to our children about life issues, and brochures on end-of-life decisions. This ministry is supported entirely by individual donations and would appreciate your help.

### DO YOU SEW, KNIT, OR CROCHET?

If you do, Beacon of Hope can use your help. They are always in need of baby quilts, knitted hats and sweaters, burpers, and receiving blankets for the Birth Gifts that they give each new mom and baby. These can be placed in the white plastic tub marked "Baby items for Beacon of Hope" in the church narthax or drop them off yourself and see their beautiful new facilities at 2360 Midland Road, Bay City (west of the Carriage House).



### SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Lessons for this coming Sunday  
**Sanctity of Life Sunday**  
**Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10**  
**1 Corinthians 12:12-31a**  
**Luke 4:16-30**

### PRAYER REQUESTS

**Larry Keidel** and **Don Pfannes** (contending with ALS), **Ralph and Janice Fogg**, **Bob Schmidt**, hospitalized.

### Worship Services

This Sunday 9:00 a.m.  
Divine Worship  
Includes Children's Bible Time

Divine Worship 7:00 p.m.  
Every Wednesday

### NOTICES

- The Executive Board will meet January 25 at 7:00 p.m.
- There is a Voter's Meeting on February 7th after the service.

### Birthdays/Anniversaries

#### Birthdays

**Don Pfannes**, 22nd; **Paul Wood**, 23rd; **Elsie Hughes**, 25th; **Edyth Ousterhout**, 25th; **Jim Prahl**, 25th; **Sheryl Seaver**, 25th; **Debi Stieve**, 25th; **Elaine Prahl**, 26th; **Connor Hughes**, 27th; **Emma Kubiak**, 29th; **Debbie Garcia**, 30th;

### WINTER FELLOWSHIP

Mark your calendars for the Evangelism/Stewardship Boards annual winter fellowship gathering. It will be Sunday, February 21 and will again be a euchre tournament. We will start with a chili dinner from 4:30 to 5:30 followed by a brief devotion. Then the games begin. Tell your friends and neighbors. We had 48 people last year, we are expecting more this year. So come on out and enjoy some midwinter fun. A free will offering will be accepted and anything we collect above our costs will go to Beacon of Hope which we have supported for the past several years.



### SOUP AND SANDWICH SUPPER

Trinity, St. James in Munger is having an All You Can Eat Soup and Sandwich Supper. It is today from 4-7 p.m. The cost is \$7.00 (children 5 and under free). The menu includes beef vegetable, bean and potato soup, ground bologna, egg salad, and peanut butter & jelly sandwich, dessert and drink.



### ISSUES, ETC.

EQUIPPING THE PRIESTHOOD OF ALL BELIEVERS...Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: Exorcism, The Diet of Worms, The Conversion of Paul, The Boy Jesus at the Temple and more. You can listen on-demand at [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org) and on the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

### THANK YOU

Thank you to the Grace congregation for your prayers, cards, and memorial gifts following the passing of Annette Frank's father, Frederick Kausch. Also, a special thank you to all of our friends who attended the memorial service and provided food for the meal. Your presence really made the day memorable.

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*"God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work."*  
2 Corinthians 9:8

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