PARISH NOTES

Pastor Appreciation Month!

The entire month of October gives us the opportunity to thank our pastor for his ministry! We are so very blessed to have Pastor Bill and his family as a part of our family.

We appreciate you, Pastor Bill, Lori, Rachel and Elie!

Pastor Appreciation Day!

Grace Church is celebrating Pastor Bill **TODAY**, **Sunday**, **October 13th**! We are blessed with both his leadership and his friendship. We thank him for being true to God's Word and for being a reflection of Jesus' love. We ask for God's blessing on his family and the sacrifices they make to share him with us. Please join us for a special reception after each service in the Wesley Parlor. There will be a basket in Wesley Parlor for cards.

Laity Sunday!

Grace Church is celebrating Laity Sunday this year on **October 20th**. This is the day we celebrate all Christians as their lives are empowered for ministry through the Holy Spirit. We pause and consider our own unique calling within the community of believers.

Laity Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to infuse fresh voices into worship. Our laity is welcome to participate in any part of the service. We look forward to a warm camaraderie of servants!

Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are available in Wesley Parlor. Shoeboxes are due back **November 17**th. CREW will be packing shoeboxes also. If you'd like to donate items for them to pack, place donations in the labeled box in Wesley Parlor.



Help us welcome Bishop Sandra Steiner Ball to the Western PA Conference!

Clergy Gathering: Tuesday, October 29th; 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM; Olmsted Manor Retreat Center (lunch available; \$12 per person) Laity and Clergy Gathering: Tuesday, October 29th; 6 PM to 8 PM; Warren: Grace UMC (light refreshments available) Must registration https://wpa-reg.brtapp.com/BishopsDayEMKD and closes on Tuesday, October 15th.

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, October 13

- 8:30/9:30/11:00 a Worship
- 9:30 a Agape Sunday School, Winger Parlor
- 9:45 a Children's Sunday School
- 6:00 p Community Worship at The Crossing
- 6:00 p Forgiveness Study, Library
- 8:00 p Forgiveness Study, Zoom

MONDAY, October 14

- 5:15 p Christian Yoga
- 6:00 p Worship, Library
- 6:30 p Wesley Parlor Reserved
- 7:00 p Ping Pong, Gym

TUESDAY, October 15

- 12:15 p Christian Yoga
- 6:00 p Finance, Library
- 6:00 p Pickleball

WEDNESDAY, October 16

- 7:00 a Men's Ministry Breakfast
- 5:15 p Christian Yoga
- 6:00 p Madrigals
- 6:30 p Choir
- 6:30 p CREW (Youth Group), Gilfillan Room

THURSDAY, October 17

- 10:00 a Disciple 2A, Library
- 6:30 p Handbells
- 8:00 p Disciple 2A, Zoom

FRIDAY, October 18

- 9:30 a Yarn Angels, Library
- 11:15 a Fitness Class
- 12:15 p Christian Yoga

SATURDAY, October 19

9:00 a – Praise Team



The Food Pantry is in need of **instant oatmeal**, **cereal**, **powdered milk**, and **jelly** at this time. Thank you to all who contribute!

LAST WEEK'S TITHES AND OFFERINGS

| WORSHIP ATTENDANCE (in person) | TOTAL |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| 8:30-23 $9:30-81$ $11:00-68$ | 172 |
| WORSHIP ATTENDANCE (online) | TOTAL |
| 9:30-102 $11:00-100$ | 202 |
| TITHES & OFFERINGS | \$7,528.38 |

SEPTEMBER'S BUDGET INCOME & EXPENSES

TOTAL INCOME \$32,556.29

\$31,751.95 TOTAL EXPENSES

NET INCOME (LOSS) \$804.34

Evelyn P. is working to earn her bronze award for Girl Scouts while also helping the community by collaborating

with the food pantry that she enjoys working with. She is collecting items to create a "Christmas **Experience Kit**" so that families can enjoy baking and decorating Christmas cookies together. She's looking for the donation of the following items



from the congregation: Cookie Cutters, Pre-Made Vanilla Frosting, Sugar Cookie Mix, Sprinkles, Small Spatulas, and 13 **x 9 Cookie Sheets.** Donations accepted from October 13 until November 17. Items can be dropped off in Wesley Parlor or contact Laura Phillips at 614-787-1829.

The Outreach Team is hosting a Rummage Sale on Saturday, November 2nd. Please drop off your donation items at the church from 4pm to 6pm on

Friday November 1st. Children's clothes are welcome, but please no adult clothing. If you have any questions, please contact Chuck Keeports at 814-688-8534.

In response to Hurricane Helene, UMCOR is coordinating with affected areas to help with relief efforts. To help support this and other US disaster response efforts, you can donate online at https://umcmission.org/advance-project/901670/



October 13, 2024 WELCOME TO GRACE CHURCH

AND A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS! It is our desire and goal for you to know Christ and to make Him known as part of

Members, Guests, and Visitors:

this worship experience. If you are looking for a church home, please consider us.

Please fill out a YELLOW CARD including any prayer requests or comments on the back. If you wish your prayer request to be confidential, please indicate that on the card.

PLEASE NOTE: Handicapped seating for those in wheelchairs and their families is available in the sanctuary – just in front of the sound booth.

<u>DVDs</u> of each Sunday's service are available. Call the church office.

LARGE-PRINT HYMNALS are available on the literature tables for your use each week.

WATCH Sunday's services live at 9:30 and 11 am on our YouTube channel www.youtube.com/GraceLiveWarren or our Facebook group www.facebook.com/groups/embracegrace

To Know Christ and To Make Him Known! Our Core Values

Extravagant Generosity We give joyfully of our time, talent, and treasure.

Authentic Engagement

We want to shine the light of God's love in our whole community.

Transformational Discipleship

We seek God's will and God's way for our lives.

Extraordinary Grace

We are all sinners seeking God's grace together.

Word-Centered Mission

We believe the Word of God provides the foundation for all that we do.