

# Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

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# **DEAR PARTNERS,**

On Sunday, April 11, Congregation Council approved the hiring of **Jason Gottschalk** as our new Director of Music and Organist, beginning May 10, 2021. The Search Committee unanimously made this recommendation to the Council after receiving 17 applications and interviewing the three top candidates (by Zoom).

Jason is an accomplished church musician. He has served as Director of Music in Lutheran congregations in Bethesda, MD, Greensboro and Conover, NC. For seven years he served as Ar-



tistic Director and Conductor for a regional community choir, Dei Laudes Choir, Inc., that toured nationally and internationally. He, also, has teaching experience.

His music education includes an A.B.D. and an M.A. in Musicology at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; a D.M.A. in Choral Conducting at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, an M.S.M. in Organ and Choral Performance at St. Olaf College and Luther Seminary, Northfield and St. Paul MN., and a B.M. in Organ Performance at Wheaton College and Conservatory of Music in Wheaton, IL.

Jason's other work experience uniquely qualifies him for the position of Director of Music/Organist. He served at The Village at Rockville, a National Lutheran Community as the Community Arts, Music and Worship Specialist and Director of Life Enrichment before becoming the Executive Director of the community. In addition to his passion for church music, Jason currently works in real estate.

Jason's favorite part of church music is leading the congregation in song. We look forward to partnering with Jason and welcoming him to Grace.

We are thankful for the Search Committee members, who have served faithfully and well: Gail Rush, Co-Chair; Linda Milburn, Co-Chair; Matthew Marsden; Betty Cunningham; Mark Lindgren; Scott Crumpler; Pastor Jonathan Boynton; Pastor Martha Sims.

Your Partner in Ministry,

**Pastor Martha Miller Sims** 

### **OUR WORSHIP THIS MONTH**

In addition to digital worship on YouTube, outdoor worship at Mount Hebron Cemetery is offered at 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. for those who feel comfortable gathering inperson. Due to restrictions there is a maximum attendance limit. To participate, please sign up in response to email announcement or through the website. Masks, physical distancing, and all precautions will be required.

Watch Constant Contact emails and the website for the most up-to-date information (for help signing up for emails, call 540-662-6678).

**Sunday, May 2, 2021 – The Fifth Sunday of Easter** – The risen Christ shares his life with us is the image of the vine. Christ the vine and we the branches are alive in each other, in the mystery of mutual abiding described in the gospel and the first letter of John. Baptism makes us a part of Christ's living and life-giving self and makes us alive with Christ's life. As the vine brings food to the branches, Christ feeds us at his table. We are sent out to bear fruit for the life of the world. The readings are: Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 22:25-31; 1John 4:7-21 and John 15:1-8.

**Sunday, May 9, 2021 – The Sixth Sunday of Easter** – In the Gospel reading, John 15:9-17, on the night of his arrest, Jesus delivers a final testimony to his disciples to help them in the days ahead. Here, he repeats the most important of all his commands, that they love one another. The other readings are: Acts 10:44-48, Psalm 98 and 1 John 5:1-6.

**Sunday, May 16, 2021 – The Seventh Sunday of Easter**—The Gospel reading from John is from the long prayer Jesus prays for his followers on the night before his death, and always includes Jesus' desire that his followers will be one as he and the Father are one. This oneness is not mere doctrinal agreement or institutional unity, but mutual abiding, interpenetrating life, mutual love, and joy. This oneness is the work of the Spirit whom we have received but also await. Come, Holy Spirit! The readings are: Acts 1:15-17,21-26, Psalm 1, 1John 5:9-13, and John 17:6-19.

**Sunday, May 23, 2021 – Day of Pentecost** – Fifty days after Easter, we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. Crossing all boundaries that would separate us, the Spirit brings the wideness of God's mercy to places we least expect it—to a crowd of strangers of different lands and tongues, to dry bones, to our weak hearts. Jesus promises his disciples that they will be accompanied by the Holy Spirit, and that this Spirit reveals the truth. We celebrate that we too have been visited with this same Spirit. Guided by the truth, we join together in worship, and then disperse to share the fullness of Christ's love with the world. The readings are: Acts 2:1-21, Psalm 104:24-34, Romans 8:22 -27, and John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15.

**Sunday, May 30, 2021 – Holy Trinity Sunday**—When we say God is the triune God, we are saying something about who God is beyond, before, and after the universe: that there is community within God. Our experience of this is reflected in Paul's words today. When we pray to God as Jesus prayed to his Abba (an everyday, intimate parental address), the Spirit prays within us, creating between us and God the same relationship Jesus has with the one who sent him. The readings are: Isaiah 6:1-8, Psalm 29, Romans 8:12-17, and John 3:1-17.

# Sunday Mornings

8:00 AM	Digital Worship Posted on YouTube and Website
8:30 AM	Outdoor Worship at Mount Hebron Cemetery and FaceBook Live Service
10:00 AM	Outdoor Worship at Mount Hebron Cemetery
10:30 AM	Grace Café on Zoom
11:00 AM	Adult Sunday School on Zoom
11:30 AM	Holy Communion Pickup in the Church Alley

### **TAX TIP**

Do you have a traditional IRA (not Roth)? Are you at least 70½ years old? Do you pledge or do you give a set amount to Grace each week, month or year? If you answered yes to those questions, please read this:

Money from an individual retirement account (IRA) donated to the church will allow you to avoid paying taxes on the amount withdrawn. Contact the institution where you have your IRA and tell them that you are interested in making a "qualified charitable donation." Tell them the amount to contribute and for what time period (week, month, year). They will write a check to Grace in the amount you have decided.

If you itemize deductions on your tax return (Schedule A), you would not be able to deduct this contribution. However, if you take a standard deduction, the amount you contributed through your IRA will not be included in your income—this will lower your adjusted gross income and lower your taxes.

If you any questions, contact Roger Milburn, Treasurer (<a href="mailto:lrmilburn@yahoo.com">lrmilburn@yahoo.com</a> or 540-336-0700)

Online Worship Attendance (ELCA standard = unique visit x2, in 7 days)				
Date	Туре	Attendance		
3/14/2021	Sunday	254		
3/17/2021	Wednesday Lent Zoom	52		
3/21/2021	Sunday	266		
3/24/2021	Wednesday Lent Zoom	60		
3/28/2021	Palm Sunday	588		
3/3/2021	Wednesday Lent Zoom	55		
4/4/2021	Easter Sunday	1197 Total 205 In Person		

Holy Week Attendance				
Date	Type	Attendance		
3/29/2021	Monday	140		
3/30/2021	Tuesday	90		
3/31/2021	Wednesday	96		
4/1/2021	Maundy Thursday	194		
4/2/2021	Good Friday	260		
4/3/2021	Holy Saturday	166		

# **In Our Prayers**

# **Prayers for Healing**

Members who have been in the hospital or are in need of our prayers of healing: **Polly Manuel**, Owen Hollingsworth, **Brooks Nanna**, **Dave Stern**, **Barbara Auer**, **Mary Froehlich**, and **Sheila Miller**.

### **Prayers of Comfort**

Christian Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Pastor Rudolf J.S. "Rudy" Keyl.

# **Prayers of New Life**

We rejoice in the birth of Owen Patrick Hollingsworth, son of **Amanda** and Brandon **Hollingsworth**, grandson of **Dick and Susan Helsley**; and Huntley John Frye, son of **Ben** and Tabbe **Frye**, grandson of **Tim** and **Janet Frye**.

### Thanks

Dear Brothers and Sisters at Grace, Please accept my heartfelt gratitude for the cards and prayers during the past month. My new left knee and I are doing quite well. Thankfully, I followed the recommendations of those who went before me and secured an excellent surgeon and physical therapist. Your prayers and my hard work should have me at full recovery by summer. Godspeed and thanks again to all.

### **Brooks Nanna**

### **COVID Relief Fund**

In February, the Congregational Council approved and established a COVID Relief Fund designed to help those in need because of the Pandemic. We established a special appeal for gifts and appointed a task group to oversee the fund. Through this effort, we have been able to confidentially provide assistance to families in the congregation.

If you have been negatively impacted by COVID-10 economically and need assistance, or you know about needs in our church community, please contact either Pastor Sims or Pastor Boynton. As always, discussions of this nature will be kept confidential.

If you would like to make a contribution to this fund you may do so by sending a check payable to Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church with "Covid Relief Fund" in the memo line, and mail to: Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 26 W. Boscawen Street, Winchester, VA 22601. You may also contribute to this fund electronically through VANCO designating "Special Appeal: COVID Relief Fund." For those who are new to electronic giving, go to the church website, <a href="www.gracewin.org">www.gracewin.org</a>, and use the link, "Give".

# A New Website is Coming!

A completely new website will soon be rolled out. It is a work in progress, as we continue to update and populate all the pages. The new format will be more visitor friendly and interactive including the ability to participate in digital worship directly from the website. An email will be sent out to announce when the new site is live. We invite you to explore and watch it grow.

The address will remain the same as the current site: www.gracewin.org.

### CONSTANT CONTACT

Please sign up! If you have not signed up with Constant Contact email list, please do so at www.gracewin.org (link bottom left – "Join our email list".) This is an important way for us to stay in contact quickly and efficiently communicate with you, and also, where you will find links to our online worship services!

If you find you are not receiving the email, please check your junk/spam email folder, sometimes it gets placed there.

# FAITH FORMATION AND YOUTH NEWS

# **FAITH FORMATION VIRTUAL Opportunities:**

<u>Wednesday Morning Bible Study</u> - YOU CAN PARTICIPATE through ZOOM! Email jboynton@gracewin.org for more information. Dwelling In The Word - 7:30 am Come together and prepare for worship on the coming Sunday by studying the Scripture readings ahead of time. Studying together helps Scripture come alive – Leaders: Pastor Jonathan Boynton, Pastor Martha Sims and lay leaders from the group.

# Wednesday Evening Digital Book Study on zoom - 7:00 - 8:00 pm

We will read and discuss *The Way of Love: Holding on to Hope in Troubling Times*, by Bishop Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church. Through stories of his life and faith, Bishop Curry teaches that the way of love is essential for addressing the seemingly insurmountable challenges facing the world today: poverty, racism, selfishness, deep ideological divisions, competing claims to speak for God. In we are invited to discover the gifts we need to live the way of love: deep reservoirs of hope and resilience, simple wisdom, the discipline of nonviolence, and unshakable regard for human dignity. Bishop Michael Curry is well known for his sermon on the redemptive power of love delivered at the royal wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle. Leader: Pastor Martha Sims and group participants.

Or contact Pastor Martha Sims, msims@gracewin.org. Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85467932432?pwd=UldBWDlTdHVuSnFRZTMzUHlaWUl4UT09 Meeting ID: 854 6793 2432

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Youth Zoom Meetings - We will meet the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 4:00 pm. Please watch your email to receive the Zoom link from Pastor Boynton & T. Shafferman. Mark your calendars for May 5th & 19th. Watch your mail for the May 5th activity. If you are apart of our Pen Pal Project, please remember to write you member of the congregation. If you would like to participate, please contact T. Shafferman 540-327-5190. Watch your email for your zoom invite.

W.I.L.D. Women Spring Fling Meeting In Person- Will meet again on Monday, May 10th, at 7:00 pm at the home of T & Anna. Please join us in our garden for a brief socially distant gathering. If you are interested in joining WILD Woman, please send an email to tshafferman@gracewin.org or call me at 540-327-5190.

<u>Women of Grace Zoom Meeting</u> - The third Tuesday of the month at 10:30 am. We will meet again on Tuesday, May 18th, please let us know if you would like to join this group.

G.L.O.W. Kids Zoom Meeting — On the first Sunday of the month at 2:00 pm. Next meeting is Sunday, May 2nd we will meet to check in and have a little fun together. This month we will play Love My Neighbor Bingo. If you have a child in K-5th grade, please join us for GLOW Kids (God Lights Our Way). Watch your email for the zoom invite. At the end of the GLOW Kids meeting, if anyparents would like to join in the fun, plan to stay on and let us check in with you too. Thanks. In Person Socially Distant GLOW Kids Event planned for July 11th 2pm - 3:30 pm more details to follow.

**Bible & Brew** - Meets on the first Monday of the month. Come bring your favorite beverage and enjoy a program and fellowship. We will gather virtually on Monday, **May 3rd at 6:00 pm**. If you are interested in great conversation and fellowship from the comfort of your on home, contact one of the Pastors or T. Shafferman to get signed up. Look forward to seeing you there.

**20/30's Group** - Young Adult Group to meet May 2nd for fellowship & book study. You can join for just the fellowship portion or stay on the zoom call for **The Ragamuffin Gospel** by: Brennan Manning. *Most of us believe in God's grace in theory. But somehow we can't seem to apply it in our daily lives. We continue to see Him as a small-minded bookkeeper, tallying our failures and successes on a score sheet. Yet God gives us His grace, willingly, no matter what we've done. Join Pastor Jonathan Boynton through zoom for this study. Please contact him for more information or to signup at jboynton@gracewin.org. Thanks!* 

# Adult Sunday School by Zoom Walking Home

# Sunday Mornings at 11:00 AM

after outdoor worship at Mt. Hebron offered at 8:30 am & 10:00 am (signup required) with Grace café on zoom at 10:30 am

Gather with us on Sunday mornings on Zoom (Watch Constant Contact for Zoom Link) for discussion using the resource, *Walking Home: From Eden to Emmaus*, by Margaret Guenther.

Guenther retells the "walking stories" of Scripture and unpacks the truths they reveal about spiritual life: Jesus walks everywhere with his disciples -- always arriving, departing, on the way somewhere else. Adam and Eve walked out of the garden, Lot and his daughters walked out of Sodom, Abraham and Isaac walked to Mt. Moriah, the Israelites walked for forty years to the promised land, the Prodigal Son walked home barefoot, the disciples walked to Emmaus.

The spiritual life is oftentimes about putting one foot in front of another, always on the way, never home, until crossing another new threshold. However, the point of all our walking -- whether tedious or joyous, rambling or goal-oriented -- is getting home. The pastors will be leading this study.

Topic: Adult Sunday school Time: 11:00 AM Eastern Time

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81599704843?

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Meeting ID: 815 9970 4843

Passcode: 634416 One tap mobile

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# YOU CAN JOIN IN AT ANYTIME— Hope to see you in Adult Sunday school!

# **FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS CHANGED FOR SUMMER 2021**

As we continue to social distance during this time apart. We, your staff and Faith Formation Ministry Council, have made the difficult decision to cancel our normal camp opportunities. This includes Gift Camp, VBS, Confirmation Camp and our Youth Beach Trip. We continue to hold the safety of our congregation and community first and foremost.

Now for the good news! We will be offering our Faith Formation Totes monthly during the summer. They will be available for pick-up on **Saturday**, **June 5th 10:00 am - Noon**, **Wednesday**, **June 30th 4:30 - 6:30 pm, & Saturday**, **August 7th 10:00 am - Noon**. <u>Please come to church alley for pick-up</u>. We, also, have an in person GLOW Kids Event planned for Sunday, July 11th 2pm - 3:30 pm. More details to follow.

For now, we plan to kick-off Fall Sunday School Programs Virtually on **Sunday, September 12th.** 

# **Faith Formation Survey Report**

In March, we asked our at home Sunday school participants to take a survey helping us better track how the Faith Formation Totes were being received. The results are as follows:

Are you enjoying the Faith Formation Totes and the resources provided? 100% yes.

Are you using the resources provided for your household? 100% yes

What has been your favorite resource provided? 17 responses for Crafts, 8 responses for Lessons are engaging, 3 responses for Working on a project as a family, making gifts for friends and family with resources provided, 1 response for love the extra story books, 11 responses for art supplies. One family wrote: The all inclusive crafts have been wonderful because the kids just get their kits and get to work. We can't thank you all enough for the opportunity you provided the kids with extra crafts to create Christmas Presents for those they love. What a great way to pass on Gods love by allowing the kids to do special things for the family members they love.

What else could we provide to help support your faith journey? 2 responses for occasional live zooms with break out rooms maybe twice a month, also zoom meetings for the parents, No other suggestions the resources have surpassed my expectations, Nothing Send weekly reminders of video lesson to parents.

This input was greatly helpful. We are so very thankful for the parents and grandparents that are providing Sunday school at home for their families. We never imagined that we would almost more than double our Sunday school participation offering our Faith Formation Totes, but we have. We have gone from 52 youth and children participating to 106. Doing Sunday school differently has given us the opportunity to minister to children that might not have had faith based materials accessible. You, the members of Grace, have made this possible. Your support of our Faith Formation Programs has always been tremendous and even during a pandemic your support is unwavering. The joy and excitement of the families shows their gratefulness. Thank you for assisting in providing God's love to those who needed a "bright spot in a darken time." Thank you - thank you and I so look forward to seeing you all soon.

# T. Shafferman

# Would you like to be a Faith Formation Volunteer Minister?

Please contact T. Shafferman at tshafferman@gracewin.org or 540-327-5190. We need folks to prepare craft kits for our Faith Formation Totes - counting, sorting, bagging, Bulletin Board pieces cut, Birthday cards & Cheer Cards sent.

Please contact T. to get involved in these opportunities you can do in your own home.

Thanks!

# **Congregation Council Highlights**

Congregation Council met for a regular monthly meeting on Sunday, April 11, 2021, by Zoom. The following are highlights:

- Approved a Consent Agenda which included minutes from previous meetings, the Stewardship Committee report, and the Faith Formation Ministry Council report.
- Received the Treasurer's report. March expenses were higher than January and February. Income in March was lower than January and February, which is not unexpected, as January and February income included some full-year gifts. A total of \$25,000 has now been given to the Organ Renovation Fund, and the COVID-19 Relief Fund now has a current balance of \$7,800.
- Received reports from the pastors including an update on outdoor in-person worship. There
  was discussion about future steps as the risk involved with COVID-19 lessens. The conversation on this topic will continue in Executive Committee and Congregation Council meetings.
- Approved the hiring of Jason Gottschalk as the new Director of Music / Organist and the compensation package. He will start May 10, 2021.
- Approved Synod Assembly Voting Members for Assembly, June 12, 2021, to be held on Zoom:
   Lay Leaders: Christie McKee, Suzanne Conrad, Norma Fredrickson, Ken
   Cibroski, and Gail Mazzocco
   Youth Assembly Voting Members: Matthew Marsden, Sarah Beth Stern
- Approved a motion to recommend to the Congregation a request for funds of up to \$120,000 for necessary repairs for Godfrey Miller Home exterior work. This will require a Special Called Congregation meeting which will be held by Zoom. The date for the meeting will be announced in advance with information about the repairs. The approved motion included the appointment of a task group to study broader concerns raised about Godfrey Miller Home.

# What is **Your Story?**

Our recent Lenten devotional booklet, <u>A Story to Tell</u>, contained short readings on the life and ministry of Jesus Christ as recorded in the Gospel of Mark. As one author stated, these stories are meant for sharing, and word certainly got out about all the wonderful words and actions of Christ. Similarly, pastor and author Michael R. Ward encourages church members to tell others what inspires them about their church – either in providing time and resources to their church or in receiving those gifts – as part of the church's stewardship effort. Simply put, these "impact stories" show what is being accomplished by the generous giving of time and resources by members and are a great way to encourage growth within the church.

We suspect many of you have a story to tell about Grace. How has your involvement in Grace activities impacted your faith life or the life of someone else? Whatever your story is, big or small, short or long, we'd love to hear it because sharing your story could help others grow in their stewardship faith life.

If you're willing to share your story please **contact Steve Thomas at Stewardship@gracewin.org or 540-773-3180.** You can remain anonymous if you prefer. We simply want to hear your story anyway you feel comfortable sharing it. Will you help us tell the stories of Grace?



# **Stewardship Reflection**

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church has proclaimed the gospel of Jesus Christ in many and various ways for more than 260 years. Ten+ generations of faithful committed members have given generously of their time, treasure, and talent. We remember and give thanks for their gifts as we, who are the beneficiaries of such generosity, are now called to do likewise.

### FLOWERS FOR VIRTUAL WORSHIP

We are ordering flowers for virtual worship each week. If you would like to donate toward the flowers for a given week in memory or honor of someone, please call the church office (662-6678). Mention of the flowers will be made in the bulletin each week. The cost of the flowers is \$75.



# Week of the Young Child 2021

We were excited to celebrate the Week of the Young Child here from April 12-16. We had fun events planned for the students each day. Mrs. Jennifer taught a lesson each day to each class that included:

**Music Monday** - Songs from the Laurie Berkner Band & took home a music

related book

- Pizza school lunch and learned how the parts of a pizza are Tasty Tuesday

grown on a farm

Work Together Wednesday - The whole school worked together to create a mural Artsy Thursday

- Read stories about art and then created watercolor inspirational

cards

- Families received resources to help extend all these ideas at home Family Friday

### The Gift of a New Piano

A baby grand Steinway piano, Model S, has been given to Grace by Caroline Boden Devlin, a resident of Winchester who attended a number of concerts at Grace over the years. Caroline died on December 10, 2020, and it was her wish that her piano be given to Grace so that it could be enjoyed by both the congregation and the Winchester community. After her death, her daughters, Alexandra L. Devlin and Catherine D. Bogaty, honored her wish. It is now in our sanctuary. Caroline loved to play this remarkable instrument and enjoyed music in general. Earlier in her life she offered piano lessons to students. More recently she sang in the choir at Winchester Church of God, and also regularly attended worship at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church.

This piano will be enjoyed for years to come in our own worship services and also by the wider Winchester community in choral concerts, student recitals, and First Night performances. We are very grateful for this generous gift. At some point, in the near future, we will dedicate the piano during a worship service.

The Yamaha piano that was in the sanctuary has been moved to the Grace Ministries Outreach Center.

# The Rev. Rudolf J.S. Keyl



We remember Pastor Rudy Keyl who died on March 23, 2021 at the age of 90. Pastor Keyl and his wife. Barbara, became members of Grace in retirement after many years of active ministry in the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. They moved to Winchester in 1993. Pastor Keyl served as a retired per diem Pastoral Associate at Grace for a number of years until, he and Barbara relocated to Homestead Village Senior Living in Lancaster, PA in 2010. Barbara died in 2018. They are survived by their three adult children, Stephen Mark Keyl, Deborah Keyl D'Addario, the Rev. Timothy John Keyl, and six grandchildren.

A private memorial service was held for Pastor Keyl at Mt. Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church in Lititz, PA, where he and Barbara were members. Pastor Keyl's ashes were interred at the Grace Memorial Garden in Mount Hebron Cemetery.

We are grateful for the gift of the Hoffmeier/Keyl Church Music Endowment given to Grace by Pastor Rudy and Barbara Keyl, which has provided concerts and recitals over the years. At a point when we are able to safely gather for another concert, we will remember and celebrate the lives of Pastor Rudy and Barbara Keyl. In keeping with the family's request, memorial donations may be made to the Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 26 W. Boscawen Street, Winchester, VA 22601 for the Hoffmeier/Keyl Church Music Endowment.

- Jason Gottschalk is our new Director of Music/Organist
- Outdoor Worship continues at Mount Hebron Cemetery
- COVID Relief Fund established
- Changes in Faith Formation Programs for the Summer
- Stewardship Reflection and request for sharing your story
- Remembering Pastor Rudy Keyl
- New Website Coming Soon
- The Gift of a New Piano

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### THE PEOPLE OF GRACE - THE MINISTERS

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T. Shafferman-Director of Faith Formation & Youth Ministry (tshafferman@gracewin.org)

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Brenda Miles - Sexton

Jason Gottschalk—Director of Music and Organist (jgottschalk@gracewin.org)

Elizabeth Holmes - Children's Music Program Coordinator (eholmes@gracewin.org)

Dudley Oakes – Interim Virtual Choir Director

Elizabeth Homes, Sean Dye—Interim Virtual Choir Assnt Co Directors

John Romano-Interim Bell Choir Director

Suzanne Reid - Assistant Treasurer (treasurer@gracewin.org)

Erin Ritchey - Nursery Attendant; Jeanette Kline - ESL Nursery

Lisa Zerull - Faith Community Nurse (nurse@gracewin.org)

Jennifer Strickler - Director of Preschool (preschool@gracewin.org)

- Director of Godfrey Miller Fellowship Center

James H. Utt - Retired, Pastor Emeritus

### **SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

**Worship Service:** Virtual worship will be offered every Sunday and posted on YouTube at 8:00 a.m. Outdoor in person Worship at Mount Hebron Cemetery at 8:30 and 10:00 AM

OFFICE HOURS Please call the church for

The deadline for input to the next issue of *TIDINGS* (covering June 1–30, 2021) is 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 19, 2021

### Prayer Team

We invite all who are interested in caring for others through prayer to join the prayer team.

Contact Becky Swanson Stern, at prayerchain@gracewin.org

# Prayers for those in our Military Services

should include:
Seth Anton, Ben Bailey,
Brian Baker, Chip Bierman,
Brett Bozeman, Stuart Carper,
Andrew Flanigan, Corey Flanigan, Elizabeth Grove, Ben
Grove, Ellen Haines, Mitra
Haines, Pastor Nate Huffman,
Tyler Manuel, Kristjan Rauhala, Brandon Reeve, Christine
Sears, Alex Simpson, Danny
Smith, Ronald Snyder, Cassie
Trulock, and Scott Zerull.

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