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Pastor's Page

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Spirit Matters

Worship Services
Sunday at 9 & 11 am
Wednesday at 6:45 pm

Adult Education

♥ Tuesday Night Bible
Study with Pastor Jim
7pm

♥ Women's Group

(GROW) Wedn at 10am.
All women are invited to
this special time to think
about Sunday's Gospel
lessons, share and pray
together. See you there!

It sure is hard to believe that the summer is 2/3 over... time does fly when we're having fun. And I do hope that your summer has not only been fun, but has also been a time of renewal and relaxation; and that the words from Isaiah 40: 31 truly come alive for you — ***"but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint."***

And speaking of strength, I hope you will have lots of it... for we have plenty of opportunities in the coming weeks for everyone to join in with the many activities and ministries still being planned at Grace Church.

Earlier this summer we finished 3 weeks of Musical Theater Camp, with **youth from our church and the community, performing "45 Minutes from Broadway,"** and the kids were fabulous! ! Thank you to Marina and "crew" for a job well done! On July 10th Art Camp began, followed by Park-N-Play on July 17th, both of which were totally filled.

And of course we cannot forget our summer Vacation Bible Camp program **which kicks off on Monday July 31st. This year it is called, "Super Heroes"** and will be swarming with lots of children, youth and adults. Extra hands are always needed— **if you can help, don't hesitate to call the church office.**

On August 12th, Culver City is hosting for the first time, their very own **"Non-profit Faire", which will be held at the Vet's Auditorium, and we will be there with our own booth, sharing our many community outreach ministries, including Grace Diner, our after-school youth drop-in center, and our Performing Arts Ministries.** Please come and help us get the word out.

Culver City's Fiesta La Ballona will be the weekend of August 25-27th and we will have our own booth and are in need of youth and adults to help. Even if you can help with a couple of hours, it would be wonderfully appreciated! And finally we kick off the fall season with our Annual Rally Day and Picnic on Sunday afternoon September 10th, and will be held at **Grace Church on our own patio...**

It is exciting to see soooo much happening within Grace Church!! I hope **you can join in on some of these "festivities" as we continue being the people of God here in Culver City!**



God's richest blessings to you as you enjoy the remainder of this summer!



Help Wanted!

1. **Webmaster.** The Grace Lutheran website needs to be upgraded/simplified/maintained. Currently we use Church WebWorks but we are open to other ideas. Please take a look at GraceCulver.org and contact Marina in the church office: graceculver@sbcglobal.net.

2. **Service assistants for the 11am Sunday services.** Assistant Ministers, Communion Assistants, Crucifers, Acolytes, Altar Guild volunteers. Each job is rewarding and interesting and easy-to-learn! Contact Pastor Jim to learn more: JSMain12@gmail.com

*"You shall give as you are able, according to the blessing of the LORD your God which He has given you."
Deuteronomy 16:17*

Wow, have we had *plumbing* issues around the church this summer?! FOUR restroom lines had to be hydro-jetted because they were filled with roots. The line from the Parish Hall Ladies Room (in the basement) to the main sewer line in the alley could be a real problem still, and may need to be replaced. *Donations to the "Building Fund" will help us keep this lovely old church in working order!*



On the plus side . . .we've had nothing but compliments about the redecorating done in the spring. It's been so easy to keep the new floors clean and fresh looking, the new chairs are comfy, and the prospect of no leaky roof this coming winter warms our hearts! God bless all who contributed to this project.

At the end of August, we'll start collecting for the Nov 3rd & 4th

Holiday Bazaar 2017

Can you help? We need pricers and donors of:

- ♥ JEWELRY for Women and Men
- ♥ CHRISTMAS Décor
- ♥ BOUTIQUE—Lovely gifts and handicrafts
- ♥ CHILDREN'S newer toys, clothing, educational items
- ♥ BOOKS, CDs, DVDs

CALL FOR "Drop Off" and "Pricing Parties" TIMES!

Sorry, no clothing (except children's) will be accepted.



August Events

Pentecost Season



SAT AUGUST 5 — 6PM IN FIRESIDE ROOM — CHIEFS Potluck, fellowship, cards. Call Ginny for information or to RSVP. 310-839-6015.



SUNDAY AUGUST 6 — 9am & 11am Vacation Bible Camp Sunday! Come enjoy the songs and love and energy of this

fabulous bunch of campers as they lift their voice in worshipping the Lord!



August 7th through the 11th —STEM CAMP, 9am to 1pm. Waiting list only for this popular camp run by friend of Grace Church, Mimi Anaya. Last camp of the summer. (*Whew!*)

Saturday August 12, Marina will be representing the church at **Culver City's "Non-Profit Fair"** being held on Saturday, August 12th at Veterans Memorial Auditorium, 4117 Overland Ave., Culver City. Drop on by!



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SUNDAY AUGUST 27 — Worship Services at 9am & 11am.

CCUSD Schools start on August 28.



Don't forget our MID-WEEK FAITH LIFT SERVICES. Wednesdays at 6:45pm, with a light supper prior at 6pm.



Pastor Jim's Bible Study meets at 7pm on Tuesday evenings throughout the year. ALL ARE WELCOME to this lively discussion group.

Pastor Ellen leads the women of Grace in a Wednesday 10am Bible Study. Contact Pastor Ellen to learn when summer break is over:
ejenrich71@gmail.com 310-391-8579 310-351-0319

Ms Lisa's Thank You Corner



The summer months slow down a little due to summer vacations . . . BUT speed up a little due to summer camps! Bless the following angels who do so much around here:

- ♥ Steve Anders, for thoughtfully bringing snacks to the kids in Marina's theater camp—and there are always a few kids who forget their lunch. Shake this man's hand next time you see him!
- ♥ Mark Kleinman—a huge thank you for always helping out, no matter how daunting a task may be! (He knows what I'm talking about.)
- ♥ Nancy Watson, Momo, Cathy Biggs, Cathie Seeman, Chris Lyall, Jim Lyall and Linda Schumitzky for all of their wonderful work with the local organization "Shoes for the Homeless." This group sorted and organized shoes for hours and then distributed them in the community. Great job, gang!
- ♥ Lois Mulleneaux—for her weekly folding of bulletins. We love you, Lois!
And to anyone I forgot, we love you, too!

Prayer Ministry

Pastor Jim
Carol Auslander
Patti & Sean Baker
Meg Henke Ballman
Irene & John Basaraba
Biggs family
Shirley Cox
Betty Davis
Dale and Karen Ellingson
Elliott-Sick family
Lynn Erickson
Doris Green
Pr S. Gunderson
Erna Guy

Craig Heath
Kristen Hooks
Janet Hoult
Bob Jennrich
Patricia Jefferson
Karen Johns
Brenda Langdon
Betty, Cindi & Shawn Lasley
Bernice & Roy Mathison
Kebo, Don, Jensu
Gladis Moreno
Albert Prabhu
Nancy Reeve

Krystyna Riban
Dr Georgia Rodiger
June Rogers
Cristie Rooney
Ted Tidwell
Walden family
Rev. M. Zamorano
The Carroll family and their new baby, Sean

A healthy baby for Matt & Weslie MacGregor Stubbs, and a healthy baby for Natalie Meyer and Mark.

Our sister churches in El Salvador and Los Angeles.

In the Military
Gus Hernandez
John Meyers
Natalie Meyers
Brenna & John Falzetti
Freddie Wilson



Don't forget your Secret Prayer Partner!

August Birthdays

Kimberley Elder 08/02
Johna Miller 08/02
Rowen Bilbrey 08/03
Thomas Tidwell 08/04
Megan Hayes 08/12
Mark Johnson 08/14

Lynda Harrold 08/17
Keeshawn Andrew 08/18
Helen Evans-Simon 08/19
Erna Guy 08/19
Celeste Schmicker 08/19
Jill McKeon 08/27

Ken Smith 08/27
Patricia Trelinski 08/28



Grace Kids . . .

The Middle School youth group has been busy this summer! First, most of them acted/sang/danced in the summer musical “45 Minutes from Broadway.” Then they were counselors in Miss Lisa’s Art Camp! This group of young people (April Andrew, Olivia Andrew, Macayla Meeks, Colin Comer, Evan Miller, Bram Skelley and Paul Skelley) did an amazing job helping out this large, loud, and very fun camp. The following week, April and Olivia helped Sarah Paris and Maddie Krueger with the “Park n Play” Camp. Next up, VBS! Thank you, Middle Schoolers!

Sarah Paris and I, on behalf of the youth group, will be sponsoring two days’ worth of snacks for Angelica Lutheran’s VBS camp, the week of July 24th. Angelica does such great work in their community and ALWAYS needs help supplying food to their community. Thanks, Youth Group!

Sunday School is doing “Summer Sunday School”, filled with stories, arts and crafts and a small fundraiser to support our ELCA Good Gifts/Beehive Project here at Grace. Hope your kids can join us!

We are SO happy to have Sarah Paris and Maddie Krueger helping out with our summer camps! Maddie grew up here at Grace Lutheran and is an indispensable addition to our successful summer camp series every year. We love you, ladies!



August Roster

Blessings on those who serve in the House of the Lord.

AUGUST 6 — 9th Sunday After Pentecost

	9am	11am
Asst Minister	Claire Skelley	Brenda Langdon
Com. Asst	John Maines	Betty Davis
Lector	John Maines	John Maines
Crucifer	April Andrew	John Maines
Acolyte	Olivia Andrew	Betty Davis
Children's Msg	Pastor Jim	Pastor Jim
Altar Guild	M Tidwell	Betty Davis
Greeters	Brian Mark	Marilyn Schneider

AUGUST 13 — 10th Sunday After Pentecost

	9am	11am
Asst Minister	Ron Engen	Raquel Welch
Com. Asst	Jerry Gottschalk	Angie Kirk
Lector	Brenda Langdon	Raquel Welch
Crucifer	Jerry Gottschalk	Mark Kleinman
Acolyte	M Zamorano	M Tidwell
Children's Msg	Sherri O'Daniel	Sherri O'Daniel
Altar Guild	M Zamorano	M Tidwell
Greeters	Joan Engen	Marilyn Schneider

AUGUST 20 — 11th Sunday After Pentecost

	9am	11am
Asst Minister	Betty Davis	Lila Swenson
Com. Asst	John Ziegler	Marilyn Schneider
Lector	Barbara Bilbao	Marilyn Schneider
Crucifer	John Ziegler	HELP NEEDED
Acolyte	HELP NEEDED	Pam Snodgrass
Children's Msg	Patti Millett	Patti Millett
Altar Guild	Betty Davis	Pam Snodgrass
Greeters	John Ziegler	Erna Guy

AUGUST 27 — 12th Sunday After Pentecost

	9am	11am
Asst Minister	Brenda Langdon	M Zamorano
Com. Asst	HELP NEEDED	Raquel Welch
Lector	Jerry Gottschalk	David Stamford
Crucifer	HELP NEEDED	HELP NEEDED
Acolyte	Ginny MacInnis	HELP NEEDED
Children's Msg	Ron Engen	Ron Engen
Altar Guild	Ginny MacInnis	M Zamorano
Greeters	The Gilberts	Erna Guy

Please check **"HELP NEEDED"** and if you can fill in, let us know. Thanks!



Sorry to "bug" you, but if you are unable to make your assigned time, please find a replacement and then tell the office. Don't forget to check your weekly email reminder for updates to the roster!

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*Bernice & Roy Mathison in honor of their 65th Wedding Anniversary, August 17th
&
Ginny MacInnis in honor of Gary & Maggie Bowles' 50th Anniversary*

*Newsletter Sponsorship is \$25 and helps the church cover the cost of printing and mailing.
You may designate your donation in honor or memory
See the Blue Binder in the Narthex to sign up. Blessings!*





August Calendar

Sunday	Mon	Tues	Wedn	Th	Fr	Sat
July 30  Two services: 9am & 11am	July 31	August 1 ♥ Pastor Jim Bible Study 7pm	2  ♥ Supper 6pm ♥ Worship service 6:45pm	3	4	5 CHIEFS Potluck and cards 6pm
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Don’t forget Adult Bible Study!



- ♥ Tuesday Evenings at 7pm with Pastor Jim, in the Fireside Room
Everyone welcome!
- ♥ Wednesday Mornings at 10am with Pr Ellen Jennrich for all women. Studying the weekly readings

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