

April's Grace

GROWING out of our BRITCHES SALE!

- * When: Saturday, April 21st (9:00am-1:00pm)
- * Where: Community Life Center Gymnasium
- * What: Fundraiser for GwG playground upgrades!
 - Buy a table for \$10.00
(Square footage determined by participation)
See Keelan or Laci
 - Do a spring clean out for a great cause!
 - Kids will be selling lemonade!



Stop in and check out all the bargains
and enjoy a cup of lemonade
served by some of our kiddos!!



GwG FEBRUARY REVIEW

EXCITING & PRODUCTIVE MONTH

* 1 New Infant, 1 New 1yr old, 1 New Preschooler enrolled (all three full time kids!)

- * **Tuition Express-Credit card** processing/MyProcure online Roll-Out February 19th
 - o Our first deposit was more than **double** our normal deposit!!
 - o More and more people are utilizing it every day!
 - o All of our new clients are required to give an account in application packet.

- * **Jim Paterniti** and I met and presented to the **Blaisdell Foundation** for funding our flooring (If you would like a copy of our presentation folder, please ask!)
 - o We asked for \$20,000, but expressed that any amount would help!
 - o Very interested because we teach more than just ABC's, 123's, but teach children to be **service citizens**.
 - o **Ron Orris** will present our request to his board on March 28th, and will get back to us ASAP ("if we cannot do all of it, we would definitely be interested in covering a portion of the cost.")

- * **Flooring**
 - o Rhino Lining- comparable to cost of laminate
 - o Work Weekends
 - Willing to work back to back weekends to get the project turned around quickly.

- * **Website....**We are giving it a much needed FACELIFT!
 - o The website has finally been turned over to us, and we now have control over its contents.
 - o In the process of making it relevant, user friendly, a better resource for current families, staff, as well as future families!
 - Links to Payment systems, updated DHS forms, health forms, Facebook, downloadable menus for the month (hopefully start saving paper), monthly school calendar, weekly newsletters by class—Trying to create a need/desire to look at the information on our page and **SPREAD IT!!**
 - We will be able to update it daily, weekly, monthly if we so desire!

- * **Fundraiser:** We have made our money back from the chocolate fundraiser, and are on our way to making our \$750 profit for our playground!

Pastor's Pause

In just a few days we will be celebrating the holiest of holy days – Easter! Today I'd like to share with you some thoughts about Easter.

Luke 24:1-6

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead?"

Why do you look for the living among the dead? What an awesome question! Jesus is alive! The grave had no power over him. Death had no power over him. The devil had no power over him.

The same is true for us now that Jesus is risen from the dead. We will rise from the dead too because Jesus rose first.

As it says in the great Resurrection chapter, I Cor. 15:

But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.

That is the hope we have – and it's all because of the resurrection of Christ Jesus, our Lord!

So celebrate life this Easter – life on earth because Christ is always with you – but especially eternal life because he rose from the dead and so will we.

Blessings!
Pastor Patrick



SAVE THE DATE

The 17th Annual Camp Pioneer Golf Benefit is set for Monday, July 16th at the Brierwood Country Club in Hamburg. Registration begins now.

The early bird rates (by April 16th) are \$145.00 per golfer, or \$580.00 for a foursome. For more information, or to register, please call Camp at 549-1420 (x-10).

*Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul
and with all your mind and with all your strength. (Mark 12:30 NIV)*

BIRTHDAYS

Birthdays not
published on-line.



ALTAR COMMITTEE

**Kathie Holden &
Vicki Sander**

ALTAR FLOWERS

Apr. 1 - Easter Flowers
Apr. 8 -
Apr. 15 -
Apr. 22 -
Apr. 29 -

MEMORIALS

In Memory of
Rev. Dr. J. Arthur Cox

William Kerner

Clara Machuga

Sent by

**Norm and Connie King
Tom and Jean Bromeley
Jan Caruso**

**Dick and Nancy Miller
Dick and Ann Kessel**

**Wally and Vicki Sander
Jim and Mary Paterniti
John and Jane Kline**

Martha Williams

Jim and Virginia Randolph

Jim and Sharon Long

Tom and Dianne Deloe

Ken and Karen Rakieski

Hailie Cox

Ric and Jill Taylor

Jackie Streb

Dave and Cheryl Sheneman

Jackie Streb



WHAT: Easter Musical, "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

By Bradley Knight

WHO: All4ONE Ecumenical Choir

WHEN & WHERE:

Palm Sunday, March 25th at 6:00pm

Foursquare Gospel Church, 50 Sullivan Road

Sunday after Easter, April 8th at 6:00pm

Evans Memorial UM Church, 1447 South Avenue

WHAT ELSE: Free-Will Offering to benefit Salvation Army

Everyone Is Invited

Light Reception To Follow Performances

Council Meeting

Church Council meeting is **Tuesday, April 10th at 7:00pm** in the Social Hall. Please remember that the Congregation is always welcome to attend the monthly Council Meetings! There is also a suggestion box in the Welcome Center.



Please remember our shut-ins

Pastor and the deacons try to ensure that each person gets visitation and Communion at least once a month. BUT, a card, a phone call or a brief visit brightens the day for our brothers and sisters who can no longer attend services regularly. Cards and a list of our shut-ins are available in the Social Hall.

Earl McCool
The Pavilion at BRMC
200 Pleasant St.

Sara Christjohn
Ecumenical Home
100 St. Francis Dr.

Dan Denning
Bradford Manor
50 Langmaid Lane

FYI

For anyone wishing to rent the Social Hall or the Community Life Center for an event, your contact person is **Selene Machuga - 362-1236 or 598-0893.**

Deadlines for Weekly Slides, Bulletin Items

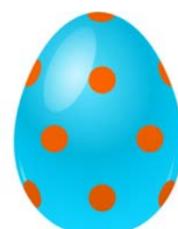
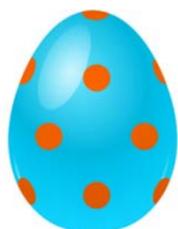
Just a reminder that the deadline to have items placed in the weekly bulletin is Wednesday morning and the deadline for slides is Thursday morning. Please write the information up in the manner you would like church secretary **Dianne Deloe** to print it.

Grace Memorials / Altar Flowers

Prayerfully consider donating to the Grace Memorial fund when you wish to make a memorial donation. When you donate to the Memorial Fund, a card is sent to the family of the person that you are remembering.

Also, you may sign up for Altar Flowers on the chart posted in the Social Hall. This can be in memory of a loved one or friend or to commemorate a special event.

To make a donation you may use one of the envelopes in the Welcome Center and place in the collection plate, the safe or call **Sharon Long at 368-6711 or the Church Office at 362-3244.**



Lent / Easter Schedule



March 25
Palm Sunday



March 29
7:00pm Maundy Thursday Service
with Communion

March 30
12:00 Noon Community Crosswalk Service
7:00pm Good Friday Service

March 31
NO 5:15pm Service

April 1
8:45 - 10:00am Easter Breakfast
10:00am Easter Service

Please note: There will not be a 5:15pm Service on March 31; we will be having **ONE** Easter Service (with Communion) at 10:00am on Sunday, April 1, following the Easter Breakfast at 8:45am.

Thursday Night Bible Study

“World Religions”

Starting April 5th @ 6:30pm

38 Bates Road, Bradford

**Any questions, contact Kathy @ 598-2417
(leave message if no answer)**



The Preschool kids at Growing with Grace created and mailed valentines to our Shut-Ins.



Church Office Hours:
Monday thru Friday - 7:30am to 1:30pm



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Join Us For Worship!

Friday

6:30pm Crosswalk

Youth Worship

Saturday

5:15pm Praise Team

Sunday

9:00am Praise Team

11:15am Blended

Family Education

10:15am

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The Web!**

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Growing with Grace
Christian Preschool**

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April 21

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9:00am - CLC*



The Grace Lutheran Church Newsletter is published monthly. Submissions for newsletters can be left for the newsletter team in the church office. The deadline for submissions is the 15th of each month. If you have any questions or comments about the newsletter, please e-mail them to: newsletter@agraceplace.org or leave them in the church office.