

The Story Continues



**CLC ground breaking ceremony
September 2002**

Pondering Along The Way

The One Constant in the Midst of Change!

Well, it happened. The other day, I saw acorns falling. I also saw the leaves turning. The season is changing before our eyes. The Autumn Season is blowing in. No doubt, it's beauty is and will be breath-taking. I know however that this will soon change. The leaves will drop, the trees will be bare and winter's blast will roll in. The constant changing cycle of life. It is a cycle that seems to spin more rapidly than in years past. Some tell me that this comes with getting older. This may be but I

suspect it is also the nature of the world in which we live – constant change. Some change can be exciting and exhilarating. But, I long for certain constants in life. Those things to which I can depend and lean upon in times of uncertainty. What is that for you? What is it in your life that stands as a constant – as an unchanging reality that steadies you in the course of a day?

If you are having a hard time coming up with an answer, turn your Bible open to Psalm 136. I like this Psalm a lot. This is a Psalm that recounts the history of the nation of Israel – a history which included much change. There is however a refrain that is found in each verse “His love endures forever.” That is it. That is the constant for you and for me. In all the changes of life – good ones and bad ones – the love of God endures forever.

If as you read this, you find yourself facing financial strain and stress, say to yourself “His love endures forever” If you find yourself grieving the death of one you love so much, say to yourself “His love endures forever” If you are facing an uncertain future with your health, say it out loud “His love endures forever”

In all things this is the one thing that endures – His love. His cross stands as testimony of that for you and me. There in the forsakenness of His own Son, God establishes His everlasting covenant in which nothing shall separate us from His love in Christ Jesus.

Take a moment before you move on to the next thing in your day and give thanks for the many people and many blessings in your life. Then, go on with the tasks of the day, pondering and whispering to yourself “His love endures forever!”

Pastor Barry

Continuing Sermon Series

- The Death that Brings Growth This 3:1-10
- The Marks that Bring Community 3:9-14
- The Peace of Christ 3:15-16
- Go Joyfully to Your Work 3:17-4:1
- Devoted to Prayer 4:1-6
- Thank God for People 4:7-18

Upcoming Worship/Preaching Schedule

September 8th – Pastor Barry

September 15th – Pastor Barry

September 22nd – Eddie Scheler, Pastor Barry Leading Worship

September 29th – Jim Roggenbaum

October 6th – John Schubert, Pastor Barry Leading Worship

October 13th - ???

October 20th – Pastor Barry

October 27th – Pastor Barry

Women's Bible Study

The Women's Bible Study Group is beginning on September 12th. We are meeting at 10:30am in the church social hall. Meetings will be on the second and the fourth Thursdays of the month. All women are invited and is not limited to just Grace church members. So, bring a friend!

“Christian Disciples” is our topic. Discipline may not be a very popular word but this study shows us the positive biblical emphasis on discipline that leads to freedom and joy in the Holy Spirit.

Contact Vicki Sanders: 814-465-3137 or Laura Keesler: 814-465-9388 for further information.

Rev. Eddie R. Scheler

Born in Waco, Texas in 1965, reared in small community of Elm Mott, graduated from Connally High School in Austin in 1983, continued his post high school education at Concordia College (Austin, Texas) graduating in 1987 and ordained upon graduation from Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft Wayne, Indiana in 1991. Rev. Scheler married in 1987 with three daughters blessing his family.

Rev. Scheler first installed at Grace Lutheran Church in Orange, Texas in 1991 serving there until 2000 when he accepted a 'Call' from Grace Lutheran Church, Bradford, Pennsylvania where he served as their pastor until 2006.

During his tenure he was instrumental in the growth of Grace's congregation, Sunday school programs for both adults and children, planning and construction of the Community Life Center, developmental Bible studies, people acceptance of Christ, community outreach, shut-in visitation, and mentoring programs. Rev. Scheler was selected in May 2001 for the Pastoral Leadership Institute, a program where sixty Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod pastors are chosen yearly for advanced leadership training. The course is provided to pastors after five years of ministerial experience and are mentored by twelve leading pastors of the Synod.

The Grace Lutheran congregation looks forward to Rev. Scheler return visit September 22 to participate in the Church's 100th year Anniversary celebration.



Grace has begun streaming to YouTube. You can watch from either Facebook or YouTube. This has been requested by many who don't use Facebook.

Being on YouTube - Many smart TVs or streaming devices can stream directly from YouTube.

Please take a moment and subscribe to Grace's new YouTube Channel! Click on below. <https://www.youtube.com/@GraceLutheranChurchBradfordPA>

*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)*

**SEPTEMBER
BIRTHDAYS**

Birthdays not
published
on-line.

MEMORIALS

In Memory Of

Sent By



Gifts of Grace Gift Card Program
(to Benefit Growing with Grace Preschool)

Order with payment must be
Submitted by noon on the
FIRST Sunday of each month.

NEXT GIFT CARD ORDER

September 1st, 2024

**New participants: Tops Friendly
Markets and Big Lots!**



SEPTEMBER SERVICE

SCHEDULE

**CHURCH
COUNTERS**

Jim & Mary Paterniti

ALTAR

COMMITTEE

Kathy Verbocy

Wendy Wright

READERS

Mary Paterniti

PRAYERS

Michele Evers

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.

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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 the Church Office at 362-3244.

FYI

For anyone wishing to rent the Social Hall or the Community Life Center for an event, your contact person is the **Church Secretary: 362-3244.**

Council Meeting

Church Council meeting will be at 6:30pm **September 10th, 2024** in the Social Hall. Please remember that the Congregation is always welcome!

Deacon's Meeting

The next Deacon's meeting will be at 6:00pm **September 4th, 2024** in the

RECYCLING: Keep saving your nickel cans and nickel plastic bottles! Please leave them in the Social Hall for pick-up. Thank you!

Remember: "With God all things are possible." The total raised for 2023 was **\$5,144.63.**



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 in the manner you would like church secretary to print it.

100th Anniversary Directory

Thank you to all who contributed to the Anniversary Directory. If you desire a copy, there are 3 options

- 1) email copy to you – FREE**
- 2) B&W copy for \$3.00**
- 3) Color copy for \$6.00.**

There will be a signup sheet if you desire a copy in the back of the sanctuary. You will need to pay for your copy before we print.

The Directory will not be posted on the web.

**If you have any questions, please ask:
Lynda Krakat or Tricia Coppersmith, our
secretary.**

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
100th Anniversary
Directory



1924-2024

Month of September



Cereal Bars & Water

Please place your donations in the
red bin.

All proceeds to benefit
'Bradford Destinations'

A SPECIAL
THANK YOU
FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS



**Grace
Lutheran
Church**

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Barry J. Keurulainen**

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Join Us For Worship!

Sunday

10:00am Blended

9:00am Family Education

***We're On
The Web!***

www.agraceplace.org

Like us on Facebook:

Grace Lutheran Ministries

(Live Streaming Sundays 10am)

Growing with Grace

Christian Preschool

**CURRENT AND
UPCOMING EVENTS AT
GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**September 12th, 26th
Women's Bible Study**

10:30am

**September 21st
Food Sale**

**September 22nd
Pastor Eddie Scheler**

Office Hours:

Monday: 10am-3pm

Tuesday: 10am-3pm

Thursday: 10am-3pm

Friday: 10am-3pm

The Grace Lutheran Church Newsletter is published monthly. 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: glmoffice@agraceplace.org or leave them in the church