

**Church Activities for This Week of September 15, 2024**

TODAY	8:00 am	Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary
	9:30 am	Blended Worship Service with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
	9:30 am	Foundations Class, The Nook, FLC Lobby
	9:30 am	Children’s Sunday school classes
	9:45 am	Adults’ Sunday school classes
	11:00 am	Contemporary Worship Service with Holy Communion, FLC
	11:00 am	Adults’ Sunday school classes
	11:00 am	Rings of Grace Handbell Choir, Sanctuary
Monday, Sept 16	9:30 am	MOPS, Fellowship Hall
	6:30 pm	Elders Meeting, Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, Sept 17	11:00 am	Staff Meeting
	6:00 pm	Grace Notes Handbell Choir, Sanctuary
	7:00 pm	Adult Vocal Choir, Sanctuary
Wednesday, Sept 18	8:00 am	Jireh Homeschool Co-op
	5:00 pm	Joy-Full Noise, Fellowship Hall
	5:00 pm	Dinner Begins, FLC
	6:00 pm	CREW Confirmation, The Nook, FLC Lobby
	6:30 pm	Wednesday Worship Service, Sanctuary
	6:30 pm	Joy/Youth Groups
	6:30 pm	College/Career Ministry
Thursday, Sept 19	9:00 am	Men’s Bible Study, Soothing Room
	10:00 am	Cancer Companions, FLC Room 112
Friday, Sept 20	9:00 am	Women’s Bible Study, Fellowship Hall
	4:00 pm	Mees’ Wedding Rehearsal
Saturday Sept 21	12:00 pm	Anniversary Luncheon, FLC
	4:00 pm	Mees’ Wedding
Sunday, Sep 22	8:00 am	Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
	9:30 am	Blended Worship Service, Sanctuary
	9:30 am	Children’s Sunday School classes
	9:30 am	Foundations Class, The Nook, FLC Lobby
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	11:00 am	Contemporary Worship Service, FLC
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***Happy Birthday!***

9/15 Melissa Hardin, Brad Moore  
 9/16 Suzi Schmidt 9/18 Ashley Cruise  
 9/19 Connie Pinchak  
 9/20 Maureen Campbell, Erik Jones  
 9/21 Jack Buchanan, Jessica Turner

***Happy Anniversary!***

9/15 Wayne & Laura Sikora (34)  
 9/19 Steve & Kathy Crum (54)  
 9/21 Ken & Ivonne Robertson (5)

**Today at Grace**

**Children’s Sunday School Theme:** God is patient with us.

*The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.  
 He makes me lie down in green pastures,  
 He leads me beside quiet waters. (Psalm 23:1-2)*

For more information on Children’s Ministries, please see Frieda Guthrie

**Adult Sunday School Classes at 9:45 am**

**New Series! Verse by Verse through James** – FLC Room 111 (Mark Anderson)

**30s & 40s** – FLC Room 113 (Brian Kaul)

**Victorious Spiritual Warfare, Part 1** – Fellowship Hall (Harvey Booher)

**Book of 1 John** – FLC Room 112 & Zoom (Joel Roettger)

**Book of James** – FLC Room 114 (Kevin Kragebrink)

**Adult Sunday School Classes at 11:00 am**

**New Series! Hot Topic: Exodus 24 and The Lord’s Supper** – Room 204 (Pastor Phil Bohlken)

**Bible 101: Colossians** – Room 206 (Dave Harjala)

**The Elseroad Scholarship Committee** will present an update on this important ministry program at Grace and its current impact on preparing individuals who are being trained in God’s Word so they are equipped to serve Him. Grace Lutheran’s supportive role will hopefully inspire you to continue or consider supporting this ministry.

**Announcements and Events**

Do you love music or playing an instrument? Do you feel called to **serve** your church? The **Contemporary Service Worship Team** is looking to add instrumentalists to our rotation: Piano, Bass guitar, Drums, Percussion, Violin, Vocalists, Acoustic and Electric guitars. For information contact John Cleland: johnm\_cleland@yahoo.com, 865-237-0478

If you are interested in a fun way to **serve**, save the date for our **Grace Welcome Team** orientation. **Sunday, September 29, 12:15-1:30 in the Fellowship Hall.** Lunch provided. Please RSVP to Connection Director, Kristin McGee at kristin@visitgrace.org

**Please join us Wednesday September 18, 5:00 – 6:30 pm in the FLC to enjoy:**

Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Sweet Potatoes w/Brown Sugar Butter, Cucumber Salad, Dessert  
Adults \$5, Children \$2, Family max \$15.



**Please RSVP by 5:00 tonight** via our weekly email or **\*QR Code**.

**\*If you are looking for a fun opportunity to serve, Amy Baserman needs volunteers to help with Wednesday Night Dinners. Various positions/times available! (Scan the QR Code for information).**

Ladies, you are invited to join two different **new Bible study series:**

**Jesus' Parables**, Fridays, 9:00 – 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

For information contact Mary Schultz: schultzmaryann@yahoo.com, 865-399-1612.

**The Book of Galatians**, Starting 9/26, Thursdays, 10:00 – 12:00 in the FLC.

For information contact Chris McCay: 865-405-7217.

**A note from Pastor Jake**.....*Every week in worship, we practice confessing our sins to God and receiving His forgiveness as a community of believers. In fact, we can take this corporate practice of confession and absolution and make it private and personal. On Wednesday, September 25, the pastors will be offering private confession and absolution in the sanctuary at 5:00 pm. This provides the opportunity to confess your sins and to hear God's grace and forgiveness on a personal level.*

**Circuit Convocation - Praise Lutheran Church, 315 Southdowne Dr., Maryville**

**Saturday, September 28, 10:00 – 5:00.**

Everyone is welcome to join as we gather, worship and learn about area LCMS ministries including our very own: **Lutheran Disaster Relief, Deaconess Christina Childers, and the Holy Smokers**. There will be a meal at noon and a Worship Service at 4:00.

May Jesus bless this convocation for the upbuilding of His Church here in the Greater Knoxville area and our communities.

Annual **Tennessee Right to Life fundraising banquet** will be held on

**Tuesday, October 15, 6:00 pm at Bridgewater Place, 205 Bridgewater Rd., Knoxville**

Inspirational and educational evening featuring Mrs. Kathy Barnette, author and former candidate for Senate in Pennsylvania.

For a complimentary ticket, contact the church office: [anna@visitgrace.org](mailto:anna@visitgrace.org)

Grace Family please join us for our **Cancer Survivor Celebration** hosted by **Grace's Cancer Companions Ministry, Sunday, October 20, 2:00 – 4:00 in the Fellowship Hall**. We will

offer **hope and encouragement** with fellowship, speakers, literature, refreshments and more for all who have dealt with cancer as a patient or as a caregiver and have moved on to a new normal *life after cancer*. **Please RSVP at the coffee bar or QR Code**



**JOY-FULL NOISE**  
**CHRISTMAS**  
**MUSICAL**

**THE GRACELAND EXPRESS**  
**Sunday, December 8, 5:00 PM**  
**Family Life Center**

**Dear Parents,**  
**If your child would like to participate**  
**in the Joy-Full Noise Christmas**  
**Musical *Graceland Express*, contact**  
**Deb Wolfe or Frieda Guthrie**  
**[wolfemom5@att.net](mailto:wolfemom5@att.net), [frieda@visitgrace.org](mailto:frieda@visitgrace.org)**  
**Rehearsals begin *Wednesday, October 2***  
***5:00-5:30 in the Fellowship Hall***

**Via de Cristo Weekend Retreat, October 17-20** is for Christians who seek more joy, purpose, meaning, and growth in their faith through prayer, Bible study, and sharing their faith with others. Applications and information are available on our bulletin board across from the church mailboxes. Or speak with someone who has attended: Craig/Chris Emerson, Paul/Sheila Wittke, John/Chris McCay, Pastor Rich, Pastor Jake, Sophia Strobel, Pastor Steve/Fredrica Skov, Don/Nancy Thaemert, Roland Thompson, Gary/Joretta Schneider, Ken/Ivonne Robertson, Brian/Catherine Strobel, Chris/Dina Augusta, Dave/Janice Ishee.

*My parents had been to a VDC weekend in the past and had always wanted me to attend. Such a weekend came about for me and my "battery" was both recharged and energized spiritually by attending. Through the Word, worship and song, I was able to grow in my faith walk with Christ. - Gwen Erpenbach*