

# GraceFull Visions

FEBRUARY 2017

## CONGREGATIONAL GOALS ADOPTED

Dear friends and members of Grace Lutheran Church,

At the Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting, the congregation unanimously adopted the following Discipleship goals for 2017, with a few notes in explanation:

(Worship) 1. That this congregation offer 6 Special Worship Services at the 10am time slot (The Worship Planning Team will put these together, which may include a Healing Service, a Blessing of the Schools service, etc. Ideas are welcome.)

2. That this congregation increase its worship attendance by at least 17% (We can help achieve this goal by more frequent weekly worship attendance by the congregation and by inviting those not attending services to come to worship with us)

(Pray) 1. That this congregation reinstate the 5:15 Daily Prayer (Pretty basic – at 5:15 am and or pm, set an

alarm and pray for the congregation and its mission and ministry and anything else you desire.)

2. That this congregation hold a Prayer Vigil on the National Day of Prayer in May (You'll be receiving more information about this later)

(Study) 1. That this congregation start a bi-weekly evening Book Club (You'll be receiving more information about this shortly)

2. That this congregation offer a Bible Basics Seminar by the end of June. (This will be a one-day event, probably on a Saturday, to give a basic overview of the Bible – how it's arranged, how it came to be the way it is, etc., for those who feel they don't know as much as they want to know about it.)

(Give) 1. That this congregation have at least 20 people at each scheduled Work Day (This is a big goal, but there is a variety of tasks so nearly any-

body can assist with them.)

2. That this congregation increase its financial giving by at least 10% (Everyone can contribute to meeting this goal.)

(Serve) 1. That this congregation offer a Parents' Night Out event for the community (More information will be available at a later date.)

2. That this congregation offer 2 Community Dinner events (Like the breakfasts, but in the evening to connect with more people)

(Witness) 1. That this congregation lead the restart of Beer and Hymns (This was a great opportunity to show the community who we are as Lutheran Christians, so we'll be making the effort to put this back together)

2. That this congregation participate in one Dunedin community event (We already participate in a big Clearwater event, the Pet Festival and Animal Blessing, so we want to connect to the

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Dunedin community as well)

These goals will require the entire congregation's participation if we want to achieve all of them. But if we do, both the goals themselves and the effort we put into achieving the goals will help this congregation on its way to realizing its full potential for Gospel mission and ministry to each other and our surrounding communities.

Peace,

Pastor Jeff

Discipleship  
Worship  
Give Serve Pray  
Witness Study

## Grace Lutheran Church Prayer Chain Partners

We are in need of adding prayer have a large group of folks at Grace who are committed to being prayer partners for the needs of the as-

sembly and our community. Pastor Jeff and the Office Manager, Steva will continue to oversee the process. If you would like an email notifica-

tion when you are not available by phone, please contact Virginia Dittmer or the church office at 727-446-5026

### Men of Grace

The Men of Grace will resume meeting on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. This means that in February the Men of Grace will meet at **9am at Sunset Grille on February 21st.**

...will be meeting at the Early Bird Dinner theatre on Thursday, March 23rd...The price is \$36.00 per person (pay @ the door) and arrive between 10:30 and 11am. This will be the 1st musical ever per-

### Young @ Heart...

formed by the cast and should be lots of fun. This is also the last play of the season. Please let Florence Bencivenga know if you will be attending this production

## “Bake and Share” Service Project Update

you are awesome givers and pray-ers! Together we were able to provide 44 pairs of children's shoes, 27 belts, underwear and almost 200 pairs of socks to kids at Sandy Lane Elementary from our “Bake and Share” event! The principal and Miss Pam, the

school's community liaison, were so grateful when we delivered the supplies, and we still have over \$400 left to help out the rest of this school year! We also had 20-25 fantastic bakers who shared wonderful goodies. Thanks to each and everyone of you

who helped in so many ways! We also want to thank Thrivent Insurance Company for the \$250 of seed money to get the project started. And especially, all praise to our Lord and Savior for His overwhelming blessings !  
- Pam & Dick Landeen

### Military Personnel w/Grace connections...

-Heather Burson, granddaughter of Anne and Ralph Burson is stationed in Norfolk, NC for further training as a Lance Corporal.

-Kyle Wassen, grandson of Connie Puls, is stationed in San Diego, CA as a quartermaster on a destroyer.

-Marc Calhoun, nephew of Wayne and Yvonne Hauschild in the Air Force in Albuquerque, NM.

-Aldo Granados, 19 year old son of Pastor Lydia and member of Grace, completed Army Reserve Boot Camp.

### Work Day

Our next Work Day is in March. There will not be a Work Day in February.

## Prayer List

Linda Almond, Eloisa Villanueva, Marion Voltz, Stephanie Adamitis, Pastor Lou and Barbara Haseley, Kyle Metzger, Robert Durhan, Taryn Zimmerman, Duke Tieman, Galen & Betty Biddle, Cathi Adams, Michael Morales, Wade Buehler, Patricia Falco, Jim Bjorgo, Gloria Holtzclaw, Betty Daege, Hilda Taylor, Karen Bacher, Betsy Kitzman, Norma Melzer, William McLaughlin, Dianne Willian, Wayne Hauschild, and George & Phyllis Clark.

## February Birthdays

## Anniversaries

2/2	Aldo Granados Eliezer Granados	2/15	Gloria Holtzclaw Hans Knight	2/7	Nicholas & Kristine DeTrano
2/7	Carol Provenzano	2/18	Nova Bickell		
2/9	Frank Bencivenga	2/22	Kay Deegan		
2/12	Joan Keeton	2/23	Jordana Taylor		

## Worship Leaders

	<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Acolyte(s)</b>	<b>Lector</b>
2/05	Florence Bencivenga, Rich Severn, Tollie Hotlzclaw & volunteer	Syrena Barriera-Valentin Caleb Johnson	Vicki Eis
2/12	Pat Ahrens, Frank Bencivenga, Tollie Hotlzclaw, & volunteer	Syrena Barriera-Valentin Israel Martinez	Jordana Taylor
2/19	Iris Saxby, Yvonne Hauschild, Tollie Hotlzclaw, & volunteer	Geneva Johnson Syrena Barriera-Valentin	Susi Roessler
2/26	Greg & Michele Nichols, Karen Kelly, & volunteer	Sienna Smith Lluvia Martinez	John Wacker
	<b>Communion Ministers</b>	<b>Assisting Minister</b>	<b>Nursery Attendants</b>
2/05	Lorraine Bickell	Susi Roessler	Open
2/12	Rosemarie Smith Iris Saxby	Susi Roessler	Kathleen Johnson
2/19	Vicki Eis Jordana Taylor	Susi Roessler	Greg & Michele Nichols
2/26	Iris Saxby Rev. Dick Landeen	Rosemarie Smith	Open

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Hands.*

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*Valentines Celebration  
Sunday, February 12th*

Bridge Builders will hold our annual Valentine's Celebration potluck lunch & treat bag decorating event after the church service. Please join us and help decorate and fill containers to be delivered to Grand Villa assisted living center and our homebound members. We will need donations of candy (sugar and sugar free) and stickers to decorate the bags.