

# GRACE NOTES

## Today Sunday – *December 11<sup>th</sup> ~ Third Sunday in Advent*

8:30 am Sunday school & Bible class  
10:00 am *Divine Service*  
7:00 pm **Joint Christmas Concert @ Peace LC**

## Monday – December 12<sup>th</sup>

6:00 pm **Board of Elders**

## Tuesday – December 13<sup>th</sup>

10:00 am **Mission and Evangelism**  
10:15 am Sing @ Benefis SNC  
11:00 am Bee Hive Homes #2  
2:00 pm **Goldenagers**  
6:30 pm Hand Bell Choir

## Wednesday – December 14<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am Wee Disciple's Chapel  
9:30 am Ladies' Bible Study  
6:00 pm Advent Soup Supper – Church Council  
6:00 pm Pre-confirmation  
6:15 pm Adult Choir  
7:30 pm *Advent Service*

## Thursday – December 15<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am Quilters @ Peace  
10:00 am Park Place  
6:30 pm **Wee Disciple's Christmas Celebration**

## Friday – December 16<sup>th</sup>

1:00 pm *Church Office Closed*  
Friday Ladies' Bible Study  
@ Ann Nimmick's, 2327 15<sup>th</sup> Ave S

## Saturday – December 17<sup>th</sup>

*Nothing Scheduled*

## Next Sunday – *December 18<sup>th</sup> ~ Fourth Sunday in Advent*

8:30 am Sunday school & Bible class  
10:00 am *Divine Service*  
11:30 am Youth Christmas Gathering  
2:00 pm Paul's Open House

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**Youth Group calendar and cards sales have begun!** Calendars are \$7 each and Christmas card packs are \$5 each. Help support our youth as they raise funds to go to Higher things in Bozeman, MT next July.

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**Celebrating a Wedding Anniversary this week**

December 12<sup>th</sup>

Spencer ♥ Jessi Payne (1)

**Celebrating a Birthday This Week**

December 13<sup>th</sup>

Deryk Pearsall

December 14<sup>th</sup>

Zeke Morrison, John Shaw

December 15<sup>th</sup>

**Lydia Laubach (80+)**

December 16<sup>th</sup>

Hui-Min Meehan, Jessi Payne

December 17<sup>th</sup>

Hayden Olson

December 18<sup>th</sup>

Maycee Graves

**This Week's Baptismal Anniversaries**

December 12<sup>th</sup>

Donna Hayes

December 13<sup>th</sup>

Cheryl Bauer

December 16<sup>th</sup>

Jacob Lietz, Scott Mansch, Patrick Norris

December 17<sup>th</sup>

Kali Holmberg



We will be adorning the altar and sanctuary with poinsettias for Christmas. If you would like to donate toward the purchase of these poinsettias, please make your check payable to **Trinity Lutheran Church**, designate on the check "**For Poinsettias**" and drop it into the offering. If you would like your donation in memory or honor of a loved one, please attach a note with specifics or call the church office with that information. If you have any questions, please contact Denise Wegner at 452-2241.

**Offering Counters are needed** to assist the Treasurer and Assistant Treasure count and record the offerings following each Sunday service. No experience is needed. Please see James Lautenschlager call the church office (452-2121) or sign-up on the Chapel doors in the Narthex if you are willing to assist.

**Don't Forget the Kitchen Loan!!** We are still making payments on the loan we took out to remodel our beautiful kitchen. We have made 11 of 120 payments so far. The monthly payment is \$477.29. The kitchen fund currently has \$22,900 in it but we are using that to make the payments each month. **These funds will not last**, we will still need donations to continue to pay the loan off. Please consider making a donation to the kitchen fund.

## **Lutheran Hour - December 25<sup>th</sup> - "What We Really Want"**

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus. What do you want this Christmas? Jesus is God's greatest gift to a sinful world.

(Galatians 4:4-5). Tune in on the radio or at [www.lutheranhour.org](http://www.lutheranhour.org) The Lutheran Hour can be heard on **KMON, 560 AM Sundays at 7:00 am; or XM Radio 170 at 10:00 am-(EST).**

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**Issues Etc.** – **Old Theology, New Technology**... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL. *This week's topics include: An Angel Appears to Jesus' Guardian Joseph; The Sacrament of the Altar; The Prophet Daniel; Jesus Teaches Nicodemus and more.* You can listen on-demand at **[www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org)** and on the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

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**Lutherans for Life - December 18<sup>th</sup>** “As Christmas approaches, I’m reminded of another man more than 2,000 years ago who also made a difficult choice about a mother and a baby. Joseph could have cut and run, but he didn’t. When men commit themselves to stand for life and for their families, they experience blessings far greater than wealth and fame.” *Bradley Mattes, executive director of Life Issues Institute – A Life Quote from Lutherans for Life • [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*

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## **Looking for an alternative web-based LCMS supported radio station?**

KFUO is the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod answer. On the web at [www.kfuom.org](http://www.kfuom.org) they broadcast seven days a week from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm Mountain Time (times vary by month). Check them out on the web at **[www.kfuom.org](http://www.kfuom.org)**.

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## **2016 Advent and Christmas Schedule**

<i>December 11<sup>th</sup> ~ 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent</i>	<i>10:00 am</i>
<i>December 11<sup>th</sup> ~ <b>Choir Concert @ Peace Lutheran Church</b></i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>
<i>December 14<sup>th</sup> ~ Soup Supper</i>	<i>6:00 pm</i>
<i>3<sup>rd</sup> Mid-Week Advent</i>	<i>7:30 pm</i>
<i>December 15<sup>th</sup> ~ <b>Wee Disciple's Christmas Celebration</b></i>	<i>6:30 pm</i>
<i>December 18<sup>th</sup> ~ 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent</i>	<i>10:00 am</i>
<i>December 21<sup>st</sup> ~ Soup Supper</i>	<i>6:00 pm</i>
<i>4<sup>th</sup> Mid-Week Advent</i>	<i>7:30 pm</i>
<i>December 24<sup>th</sup> ~ <b>Christmas Eve Service</b></i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>
<i>December 25<sup>th</sup> ~ <b>Christmas Day Divine Service</b></i>	<i>10:00 am</i>
<i>December 31<sup>st</sup> ~ <b>New Year's Eve Service</b></i>	<i>7:00 pm</i>



**2016 Contributions** – Any contributions that you would like to have credited to 2016 **MUST be into the church office by December 31, 2016** to be included in the final deposit of the year. Any contributions received January 1, 2017 and beyond will be credited to your 2017 totals regardless of the date on the check/envelope.

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

*First Reading – Isaiah 7:10-17*

*Psalm – Psalm 146*

*Epistle – Romans 1:1-7*

*Holy Gospel – Matthew 1:18-25*

<b>THIS WEEK</b>	<b>12/11/16 Third Sunday in Advent</b>	<b>12/14/16 Advent Service 1</b>	<b>12/18/16 Fourth Sunday in Advent</b>
<b>Acolyte</b>	Elders	Elders	Elders
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Denise Wegner Dayna Vik	Denise Wegner Dayna Vik	Denise Wegner Dayna Vik
<b>Audio</b>	Cody Stene	Maryanne Chapman	Jon Chapman
<b>Video</b>	Jon Chapman	NOA	John Shaw
<b>Duty Elders</b>	Len Koelbel Bill Sybrant	Bob Nommensen	Roy Arves James Neumann
<b>Organist</b>	Anita Chapman	NOA	Jeannine Eastley
<b>Trustee On-Call</b>	NOA	NOA	NOA
<b>Counters</b>	Shawn & Jenny Shaw		Shawn & Jenny Shaw
<b>Ushers</b>	Alan Wegner		Alan Wegner

## ***PRAYER REQUESTS***

*For prayer requests, please call the church office 452-2121 or email us at  
trinity@trinity-mt.org*

*We pray for:*

- ~**for the family of Betty Quickenden** – who passed into Glory this past week
- ~**Lisa Bauer** (Martin Bauer's sister-in-law) - reconstructive surgery
- ~**Jenny Eberly** – continues to recover and heal
- ~**Dorothy Krueger** (Pam Grosenick's mother) - heart related concerns
- ~**Roger Lienau** (Cheryl Bauer's father) – shoulder surgery in Missoula
- ~**Chuck Lively** – recovering from ankle surgery
- ~**Gertie Rayment** (Anita Erickson's cousin) – who suffered a stroke
- ~**Gary Shelden** - cancer treatments
- ~**Janet Hussli** (Jerry Grosenick's sister) – reconstructive surgery
- ~**Harry**, (Penny Hill's brother) – medical/health issues
- ~**Marek & Debbe Wojak** (son-in-law and daughter Rose & Gary Shelden) - health issues
- ~**Kim Mansch** (sister in law of Scott Mansch) - brain tumor removed
- ~**Freddy** (Rose & Gary Sheldon's daughter Debbe and son-in law Marek's nephew) - brain tumor removed
- ~**Reverend Erich Kaelberer** - battling ALS
- ~**Kristal Dawson** (Jenny Shaw's sister) - diagnosed with Leukemia
- ~**Jennifer** (friend of Judy and Keener Boyce's niece) - diagnosed with stage 4 colon and liver cancer
- ~**David & Gloria Polley** (Ellen Carpenter's brother) - David has progressive Alzheimer's

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*We pray God's peace and comfort for our members who continue to battle health issues:*

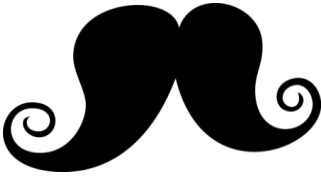
**Paul Birkholz, Ilene Leishman, Betty Quickenden, Betty Tynes** (Sherri Blomstrom's mother),  
*and for our shut-ins:*

**Gary Adams, Alice Irion, Lydia Laubach, Evelyn McNaight, Emma Millet, Alene Morrell, Gladine Nehus, Bob & Norma Nommensen, Alvina Presler** (Millie Birkholz's mother), **Audrey Remus, Ruth Schwartzberger, Myrtle Storhaug and Ted Young.**

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*We pray for those serving in the military:*

**Jaymes Crumley; Tech Sgt Tanner Tilton** (Millie Birkholz's grandson); **Senior Airman Brady Toole; Tech Sgt Jared Dudden; Steffen Meeks** (Sherrie Blomstrom's grandson); **Michael Somerfeld** ( Gary & Mary Somerfeld's son) **Clifton Grilley** (Gary & Janet Headington's son and grandson of the late Adolf Neumann)



## “10 Reasons President Harrison Should Shave”

1. Everyone could stand to lose a little weight.
2. Montana is Cowboy country where they take their mustaches very seriously.
3. Lutherans should loosen up and have a little fun.
4. President Forke’s children have never seen him without a mustache.
5. President Harrison would demonstrate true love for his neighbor (President Forke), by shaving.
6. Leadership requires true sacrifice for the cause.
7. We want our President to give more than lip service to fund raising.
8. Without a mustache, President Harrison would look a lot like Martin Luther.
9. President Forke *does* have the better mustache.
10. Raising money for future Church workers is good!

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Donations can be made over the phone Monday through Friday, 7:45am to 4:10pm,  
by calling: the LCMS Church Information Center 888-THE- LCMS (888-843-5267)

or by email at: [infocenter@lcms.org](mailto:infocenter@lcms.org).

Or Mailing the donation form (on back) to:  
Marie Muhlke

Executive Office of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

1333 South Kirkwood Road

St. Louis, MO 63122-7295

# ***“Mustache Campaign” Donation Form***

***Deadline: December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016***

**Minimum contribution of \$15 is encouraged. (\*) REQUIRED**

Contributor Name\* \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address of Credit/Debit Card\* \_\_\_\_\_

City\* \_\_\_\_\_ State\* \_\_\_\_\_ Zip\* \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (if different than above)\* \_\_\_\_\_

City\* \_\_\_\_\_ State\* \_\_\_\_\_ Zip\* \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number\* \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Donation Amount** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ .00 **Check number** \_\_\_\_\_

Card is:\*  Credit Card  Debit Card

*MasterCard, VISA, Discover and American Express cards only.*

Card Type\*  MasterCard  Visa  Discover  American Express

Card Number\* \_\_\_\_\_

Card Expiration Date\* \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (CVS code on back of the card is **not** required) Name as

Shown on Card\* \_\_\_\_\_

Vote is for:  **Rev. Matthew C. Harrison**

**Rev. Terry Forke**(select ONE):

Joint Seminary Fund

Church-worker scholarships/financial aid, and

Divide between ALL CUS schools, or

Direct to \_\_\_\_\_

Print specific CUS school name

**Other notes/comments:**



## Highlighted District Ministries

Montana District has four highlighted missions for the 2016 year.

Our Native American ministries

o Circle of Life Lutheran Ministries, Lame Deer, MT, served by Pastor Bauer and Pastor Timber

o Crow Lutheran Ministry, Crow Agency, MT, served by Pastor Jacobs

Our newest congregation, previously a “mission start,” Emmaus Lutheran Mission, Big Timber/Livingston, MT, served by Pastor Schopp

The Montana District Mercy Fund

o The Mercy Fund is a program to provide relief for catastrophic healthcare expenses for Montana District LCMS church workers and their immediate family members. The Montana District Board of Directors is vested with the sole granting authority, and grant applications are considered on a case by case basis.

o In order to be tax deductible donations for the donor and non-taxable gifts to the donor or recipient, IRS regulations state that no individual recipient can be required by the donor. (see IRS Publication 526, page 6, and IRS Publication 559, page 25)

o Current recipients of Mercy Fund grants:  The Rev. Erich Kaelberer family. Rev. Erich Kaelberer is suffering from ALS. He has grown weaker but continues to live the life of faith with a bold witness that the present sufferings are not worth being compared to the glory of salvation in Christ. He lives with wife, Jennifer and two daughters, Daelyn and Devyn in Cody, Wyoming.

If you wish to support one or more of the highlighted ministries, your tax deductible donation may be made out to “**Montana District LCMS**” and mailed to Montana District LCMS, 30 Broadwater Avenue, Billings, MT 59101

Please include this informational page with your donation.

Name:

Date:

Ministry Supported:

Circle of Life Lutheran Ministries \$

Crow Lutheran Ministry \$

Emmaus Lutheran Mission \$

Mercy Fund \$ As required by the IRS guidelines, no Mercy Fund recipient is designated.

**Total Donation: \$**



# Every One His Witness

**Equipping individual believers to be more effective witnesses of Jesus in their everyday lives**

Witness & Outreach Ministry of the  
LCMS Office of National Mission  
presents this evangelism workshop for  
**the Montana District of the LCMS**  
**at Peace Lutheran Church**  
**Saturday, February 25, 2017**  
**from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.**  
**3340 11<sup>th</sup> Ave South in Great Falls, MT**

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*The “Every One His Witness” workshop is designed to equip individual believers to be more effective witnesses of Jesus in their everyday lives. It draws on God’s Word and the Lutheran Confessions to build a solid foundation for bearing witness of Jesus and provides practical resources for sharing the simple Gospel in today’s complex world.*

**Learn how to LASSIE: Listen, Ask, Seek, Share, Invite, Encourage!**

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Registration is requested for materials and food prep; there is no cost and lunch is provided. To register, contact the church office (M-Thur. 9AM-1PM) at 406-761-7343 or email [peacesecretary@bresnan.net](mailto:peacesecretary@bresnan.net).

***Deadline for registration is February 5<sup>th</sup>.***