

# GRACE NEWS

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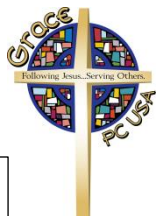
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Hi,

I have no idea how to start this. For most, this will be the first time you have read my writing in any capacity. I fancy myself a good writer, so to say that I am feeling a lot of pressure to make this a good introduction to myself and my new ministry here is an understatement.

So, I'll just start this in a very simple way: Hi. Hello. Shalom.

I will share a simple story that will hopefully introduce me in the best way possible. One Sunday about a year ago, as we were getting ready to walk out the door for church, Nora gave me a very weird look. I noticed, and asked what was up.

Probably important to mention right here that I often wear sweaters over my shirt and tie during the winter.

Anyway, Nora was giving me a weird look and I asked her about it. She was kind of cagey and finally said "Please don't get mad, but you remind me of someone." Fear and dread come across my mind as I realized that whomever she said, I was going to church looking like them.

With a little bit of fear, I slowly and pointedly ask, "Who?"  
"Mr. Rogers."

With two words, I went from scared to elated. Fred Rogers, aside from being a personal hero of pretty much every Presbyterian student I went to seminary with, was also the warmest and purist TV personality of all time and a great example of welcoming to emulate in pastoral ministry.

Now I'm not Fred Rogers – far, far from him, I'm afraid – but that value of warmth and welcoming is something I hope I have a little bit of.

Over the next few weeks, I will be spending an inordinate amount of time in my office trying to get my footing and dealing with all the administrative tasks that seem to pop up every 15-20 minutes throughout the day.

I hope you'll consider stopping in and interrupting. I'd love to have a cup of coffee with you, share a piece of candy (it's the really good Roca candy right now), or just sit and chat. And if during the day doesn't work for you, send me an e-mail or text or give me a call; I drink coffee and – unfortunately – eat candy at all hours of the day. I can certainly find a time to chat with you, too.

"Won't you be my neighbor?"

Peace,  
Pastor Robert



Tim Bauman – for cleaning the carpets & ceramic tile in the manse.

John Current

Dennis Allen – for building a ceiling light enclosure for the manse kitchen. We could not get a replacement cover, so this is a Dennis design custom cover. And thank you also for the new wood walls in the workshop.

John Current

Thank you from our Mission Partners:

- ❖ Habitat for Humanity thanks Grace for our generosity for so many years of support
- ❖ Associated Churches thank Grace for our donation of \$380.00
- ❖ Campus Ministry thanks Grace for the donation and support recently received

To Grace – We want to say thanks for all the thoughts, prayers, and cards from our church family as we cared for my sister, Ruth. Special thank you to Phyllis Wilkie for the meals, Linda Haller for her faithfulness in remembering us, and Pastor Ann. Your prayers and God's strength has upheld us and we are so thankful for both. You are all special people and we love you.

Al & Sue Creager



*Congratulations  
Karla & Troy Lee  
On your marriage  
September 2, 2017*



***Faith, Fellowship &  
Fire***

Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 pm

Deb and Dave Zimmerman  
12018 Tapered Bank Run

Hot Dogs and table service  
provided

Bring a dish to share, a beverage of  
your choice, and a camp chair

Fair Trade is a way of doing business that aims to keep small farmers as an active part of the world marketplace. It is not a charity or handout: it is simply a process of giving a fair exchange. The Equal Exchange provides high quality foods at a fair price to you. Grace now participates in this program. The modest proceeds will go to United Faith Food Bank. The following items can be purchased during fellowship:



Fellowship Blend Coffee	\$8
Fellowship Blend DeCaf	\$9
Organic Eng Breakfast Tea	\$3
Organic Black Tea	\$3
Organic Green Tea	\$3
Organic Mint Green Tea	\$3
Organic Hot Cocoa Mix	\$6
Organic Natural Almonds	\$7
Organic Natural Cashews	\$7



Saturday, November 4  
Yard Clean Up – Work Day

9:00am to Noon

46808 Churches

There will be outside work  
as well as some indoor projects.

Cancer Pad Sewing will be done here at  
Grace.

Watch bulletins or contact the office  
for more details.

Sunday, October 29, 2017  
Reformation Sunday  
Come Celebrate our Faith Heritage

Hear how others have left lasting  
legacies to our church. See how you  
can also leave a legacy.

Enjoy Scottish refreshments

In 2014, a group of folks at Grace began to explore the idea of developing an endowment program at Grace. The result of their efforts was a resolution adopted by Session on October 16, 2016 that established the Grace Legacy Ministry. Among the Ministry's purposes is:

“to sustain, strengthen, and extend Grace's on-going mission and ministry, now and in the future, by providing financial support for mission projects, ministry programs and capital improvements normally outside the operating budget of the Church”

At the center of this endeavor is a permanent endowment fund (the Grace Legacy Fund) whose income from investments will be used to fulfill this purpose.

During worship on Reformation Sunday, October 29, the Grace Legacy Ministry will be introduced. Additional information will become available at that time.

Then on All Saints Sunday, November 5, a special offering will be received that will represent the initial funding of the Grace Legacy Fund.

## happy birthday

Oct. 03	Bob Bausser
Oct. 05	Quinn Fahrenbach
Oct. 05	Deb Zimmerman
Oct. 06	Gail Bellis
Oct. 06	Colbie Geist
Oct. 09	Cherie Jacobs
Oct. 14	Pam Shannon
Oct. 17	Andrew Fahrenbach
Oct. 21	Josh Campbell
Oct. 23	Matt Seitz
Oct. 24	Ken Mahoney
Oct. 28	Darren Polk
Oct. 28	Sue Creager
Oct. 30	Alex Monnier
Oct. 30	Carol Werling

Nov. 04	Nancy Gilbert
Nov. 07	Dee Cattin
Nov. 07	Carl Geist
Nov. 09	Nancy Current
Nov. 11	Dee Weigel
Nov. 11	Gabby Monnier
Nov. 16	Gene Allen
Nov. 16	Glenda Bragalone
Nov. 18	Grace German
Nov. 21	Beth Boggess
Nov. 29	Jim Wolfe



### Presbyterian Women Annual Christmas Party

Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>  
12 to 2 PM

White Elephant Exchange

Bring a dish to share

Entrée-Dessert-Beverages provided

## Happy Anniversary

October 9	Dave & Deb Zimmerman
October 11	Tom & Stacey Monnier
October 11	Bill & Jill Werling
October 16	Rick & Carol Werling
October 21	Carl & Bonnie Geist
October 24	Wes & Brittney Allen

November 1	John & Nancy Current
November 22	Dan & Jess Ankney



Presbyterian  
Women  
Activities

**We are sorry but PW will not have the  
cookbook ready for Christmas.**

Items for the Garage Sale & Christmas Sale  
in 2018 are now being collected. They can  
be placed in the adult library.

### Sarah Circle

Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of month

**Oct 5\* and Nov 9**

Lunch is at Noon – Arby's

Meeting & Study 1:00 at church

(\* change in date)

### Cancer Pad Sewing

Come and help with this great Mission.

**Oct 20 and Nov 4\***

### Lunch Bunch

12 noon at Glenbrook Mall Food Court

near JC Penneys. All women are invited.

**Oct 26 and Nov 30**



## Studio in Bloom

Sunday, October 15

Family, Music, and Art Together

An anti-concert hall experience for all ages

Join us for an afternoon of music and art

Special guest musicians from

Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

Potluck Luncheon: 12:30 – 1:15 Grace/UF - hot dishes, First Pres – cold dishes

Program: 1:15 – 2:30

Location: Grace Presbyterian Church, Upper Room



3B – Body, Brain, &  
Belief

Days: Monday & Thursday  
Time: 10:00 – 11:30 am  
Where: Upper Room



SPECIAL OFFERINGS  
PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS

Millions of people around the world seek peace. Your gift to the Peace & Global Witness Offering can help to provide shelter, relief, and hope to families who have fled their homes in search of safety.

Be a part of the work to proclaim the peace of Christ with sisters and brothers around the world.

***Grace will be collecting for the  
Peace Offering on October 8<sup>th</sup>.***



Sunday School has started.  
Everyone – young and old  
is invited to join a class.



DOING  
THE MOST  
GOOD™

Grace will be sponsoring a  
Salvation Army Christmas Family for  
2017.

The Deacons have asked for one large family, 5-7 members, to provide a nice Christmas this year.

Information about the family, collection times, and items needed will be posted in the Narthex here at church. Please watch for the display.

Donations such as gift cards, new clothes, new toys, and household items will be needed.

*Please consider helping this  
Christmas season!*



The Youth Sunday school class once again is volunteering to wrap the Christmas presents for the Salvation Army Christmas Family. Gifts can be brought to the Sunday school room for wrapping. Please put the tags with the presents.



The youth look forward each year to provide this service for the family.



Monday, October 23, 2017

**CWU—Bingo Event**

At Byron Health Center

We are collecting bingo prizes—  
please bring your donations  
by Oct. 15

Some items preferred are:

- Pudding Cups (for the snack)
- Crossword/Activity Books
- Envelope with quarters for vending machine
- Socks
- Jewelry
- Stationery, Stamps, Envelopes
- Ballpoint Pens
- Hard Candies/Mints
- Calendars
- New Greeting Cards

**Halloween WITH GRACE**

Cathy and Todd German are chairing this year's Halloween with Grace held on October 31, 5-7PM.

Candy, of course, is needed and can be placed in the bin in the narthex.

Volunteers are needed to help in the planning. Contact Cathy/Todd to help.

Volunteers are also needed to help with the event. There is a signup page in the narthex.

*Come and join in on the fun!*