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**SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024**

**MINISTERS: All the people of God**

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**LAY READERS:** 9am- Nick Gandy; 11am- Karen Bradley

**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:** 9am- Janet McPherson; 11am- Marilyn Harper, Abi Hudson

**OFFERING COUNTERS:** Jim Nelsen, George Ohlin, Janet McPherson

**GREETERS:** Mary Grant, Dean Gatzlaff, Kathy Gatzlaff, Marilyn Harper, Maria Heidorn, Priscilla Heidorn;  
Alternates: Kris-Tena Albers, Daryl Barowicz

**USHERS:** Sue Homant, Brent Kallestad, Kathy Van Loo, George Ohlin;

Alternates: Dean Gatzlaff, Daryl Barowicz

**A/V TEAM:** Sara Allen, Elisa Casey, Dr. Leslie Heffner, Penny Rusinko

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WE OFFER TWO WORSHIP SERVICES** each Sunday, a 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service and an 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service.

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** for this week are given by Janet McPherson in memory of Kay Baker.

**JOIN US IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL** between the services for fellowship and refreshments, hosted this week by our Fellowship Committee. If you'd like to host a Sunday, please sign up in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Mary Grant if questions, 609-602-0155 or [grantmlcic@hotmail.com](mailto:grantmlcic@hotmail.com).

**ANNOUNCEMENTS DEADLINE** is Tuesday by 9:00 a.m.

**TEXTALK** is Tuesdays from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Join us in person or via Zoom. Everyone is welcome, even if you can't attend each week!

**GRACE QUILTERS & WOMEN'S GROUP ARE TAKING THE SUMMER OFF.** Quilters will resume meeting on Thursday, August 15. The Women's Group will resume meeting on Tuesday, September 24.

**RELAY FOR LIFE LUMINARIA BAGS** will be available between services today. Suggested donation of \$5 per bag (more is always welcome!). Decorate a bag in honor or in memory of a loved one who has fought the battle with cancer. The bags will line the track at the May 4 event at the Fairgrounds. Cash and checks (made out to American Cancer Society) will be accepted. Thank you for supporting our GLC Relay for Life Team. Don't forget to come walk a few laps anytime from 3:00 p.m. -10:00 p.m. at the event on May 4!

**2024 RELAY FOR LIFE OF LEON COUNTY** is Saturday, May 4 at the Leon County Fairgrounds from 3:00 p.m. -10:00 p.m. Come and walk some laps in support of the American Cancer Society and please consider making a donation (see link below) to help those in need of a cure. We will have a GLC site at the event, so bring a chair to rest between laps as we share God's Love (and info on GLC with others). If you have questions, please contact Teresa Wooten at [woot34@hotmail.com](mailto:woot34@hotmail.com). A link to GLC's team page for making online donations can be found inside the gold box on the front page of our website at [www.gracelutheran.faith](http://www.gracelutheran.faith). Mail-in donation forms are available in the narthex, if you prefer to send them a check.

**JOIN US FOR A RECEPTION HONORING OUR KEYBOARDIST JACKIE YONG.** On Sunday, May 5 between the services, we're going to honor and celebrate Jackie's FSU graduation with a Doctorate of Music in Piano Performance. Jackie's parents will be here from Malaysia to join in the festivities. Feel free to show your thanks with cards and other tokens of appreciation. Jackie will be here at Grace until he secures permanent employment.

**WANT TO HELP PLAN EVENTS?** There will be a meeting of anyone wanting to be involved in the Fellowship Committee and planning events (date to be determined). Please contact Mary Grant by May 5, via phone or email, if you would like to be involved in planning future events, (609) 602-0155 or [grantmlcic@hotmail.com](mailto:grantmlcic@hotmail.com).

**MANNA ON MERIDIAN.** Distribution Day is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month. Volunteers are needed. Next distribution is Saturday, May 18. (Coming up, Grace will be the lead church in June.) To volunteer, or for more info, contact Penny Rusinko at [gprusinko@gmail.com](mailto:gprusinko@gmail.com) or 507-213-7246. We collect canned tuna year-round. Please place tuna donations in the blue "tuna bucket" in the Fellowship Hall. If you stop by when the church office is not open, you may place in the "deliveries" bin located outside the church office doors. Manna can also be supported through your prayers and through monetary donations. Make checks payable to Grace Lutheran Church and place "Manna" on the memo line. Thank you for your continued support.

**MEN'S MINISTRY "BROWN BAG" LUNCH** is held every third Monday at 11:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The next meeting is May 20.

**HELP NEEDED WITH CLEANING OUT AND ORGANIZING THE KITCHEN** in May. Date to be determined. Please email or phone Mary Grant if you are able to help, [grantmlcic@hotmail.com](mailto:grantmlcic@hotmail.com) or (609) 602-0155

**IF YOU NOTICE** anything that needs to be replaced or fixed, please let our Property Committee know! Reach out to Elisa Casey, Daryl Barowicz or Peggy Stevens.

**DO YOU HAVE A TOPIC TO SHARE IN GRACE NOTES**, our monthly newsletter? Send Nick Gandy an email at [ngandyman@yahoo.com](mailto:ngandyman@yahoo.com) by the 20th of the month prior to publication month.

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## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Prayer requests should be sent to Lisa in the church office for inclusion on this list. All requests run for four weeks at a time. If a name should continue to be on the list after that time, please contact Lisa again to continue the request for another four weeks. Thank you!*

***This week at Grace, please remember in prayer:***

Melissa Reynolds, Frieda Hutchison, Miriam Franklin, Buddy Dewar, Beatriz Fernandez, Virginia Dix, Amanda Littlefield, Kyle Lewis, Riley Littlefield, Chris Szymanski, Reed Kallestad, Joe McRory; Fox and Dale; Bev Vertuno and her son, Eddie; Joseph Kosturko IV and Patti Kosturko; Grant, Patty, and Steve Terry; Irene and Dan Poole; the family of Nell Lee; Michael Straub and the family of Sara Straub; the people in Israel and in the Gaza Strip, and peace there; the people of Cuba; the people of Haiti; the people of Ukraine; the people of Grace Lutheran Church and our Congregational Council; St. Stephen Lutheran Church and Pastor Tom Holdcraft; the Florida-Bahamas Synod and our Bishop, Pedro Suarez; the ELCA and our Presiding Bishop, Elizabeth Eaton.

***Please also lift up:***

All the nations of the world and their leaders, that your wisdom, justice and peace may guide their actions; victims of gun violence and the families of those who have been killed, and all those forever changed and traumatized by gun violence; victims of hate crimes. Those impacted by COVID-19, in the United States and worldwide. The homeless and the hungry; military personnel and their families; first responders; those who are incarcerated; healing and answers for all those with chronic pain, disease process or illness; all those whose needs are known only to God.