ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF November 29th THROUGH December 6th

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES

STUDY	TOPIC/TITLE	WHEN & WHERE
Adult Study	One Christ, Many Creeds	10:30 AM – Fellowship Hall
		(also live-streamed on Facebook)

STEWARDSHIP NOTE: 1 Corinthians 1:9 – "God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord." The faithfulness of God is our great comfort. He has made promises to us, and He will keep them. He is kind and loving toward us, and He will not break faith with us. This gives us the confidence to step out in faith, to leave fear behind. When it comes to following the Lord's commandments for our daily lives, we know His will is best for us because our God is faithful.

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Angela LaFever in celebration of her joining Grace today and in memory of her father, Dale LaFever.

WELCOME to our new member, Angela LaFever, who will join Grace today by Profession of Faith. Please introduce yourself to Angela and welcome her back to Grace. (Angela is the daughter of Grace member Gloria Carr.)

NEWSLETTER: Copies of the December/January newsletter have been placed in the mail slots in the back of the nave. **Please pick up yours today to help us save on postage costs! Thanks! ©**

ELECTRONIC GIVING is still available at Grace through Vanco. The electronic giving process has been smooth, and there have been no issues here at Grace. Also, we can now accept credit card giving. Questions can be answered by John Adams, Doug Alexander, or Steve Kanetzke. Enrollment forms are available in the Office Equipment Room. Completed forms should be returned in a sealed envelope and placed into John's or Doug's mailbox outside the church office.

BE A SANTA TO A SENIOR: Thank you to all members participating in the "Be a Santa to a Senior" program. Just a reminder that the gifts will need to be brought to church by **Thursday, December 3rd**. Thank you so much for your generosity!

THANK YOU to everyone who helped to decorate the church for Advent and Christmas. The gifts of labor in beautifying our church are appreciated.

CHRISTIAN RESOURCE GUIDE: The Christian Resource Guide is a compilation of businesses, professionals, services, churches, ministries, and schools in the Milwaukee area. There are free copies of the 2021 edition available in the narthex. Please take one today!

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS are Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

COVID-19 WORSHIP GUIDELINES:

- We can hold in-person worship services at 50 percent of our seating capacity.
 - o Our nave can hold about 300 people, so 50 percent of that is 150.
- Social distancing (six-foot distance between people, except for members of the same family) will be followed as much as possible.
 - Please keep your distance as best you can from other people.
 - Some rows of pews are blocked off.
- Per the City of Racine's mask ordinance, all people aged five years and older must wear a mask or face covering inside our building unless exempted for medical, hearing, or other reasons.
- A linen dipped in alcohol will be used to wipe the rim of the common cup (chalice) between communicants.
- The individual cups will be spaced throughout the trays to reduce the risk of touching another cup besides your own.
- Please keep some distance from others while at the Communion rail (families can remain together). You may kneel at the rail or remain standing.
- Hand sanitizer will be available on stands near the trays for the used Communion cups for those who wish to use it.
- The children will not come forward for Catechism Time.
- The offering plates will be located at the back of the nave.
- The Fellowship Pads will not be completed at this time.
- Please contact me if you or your family would like to receive Communion from me privately, either at church or at your home.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. If you have any questions, please let me know. May God bring an end to this pandemic soon. – Pastor Crane

FREE HANDMADE CLOTH MASKS are available in the back of the nave. Help yourself! Thank you to those who have lovingly made and donated these for us!

FOOD PANTRY: If you would like to donate food pantry items, you can drop them off at Grace between **9:00 AM and 2:00 PM Monday – Thursday**. Please be mindful of the dates of expiry on the packages. If you need food, please take what you need. There are bags available on the shelves. The food pantry is located up a few steps from the elevator on the main floor.

THANK YOU: The Board of Christian Care would like to thank those who have donated food for Harvest Outreach or volunteered to staff their distribution counter. The next open dates to volunteer are **Friday, Dec. 4**th, and **Friday, Dec. 11**th. They are still in need of mac 'n cheese, spaghetti sauce, hearty soups (canned or dry), and tuna helper. You may put your food donations in the marked bin in the coat room <u>or</u> bring them to Grace's food pantry shelves next to the elevator, up a few steps to the right (from first floor), and through the door. Volunteer opportunities are available on the first two Fridays of even-numbered months and every fifth Monday (any month) from 9:30 to 11:30 AM at 2000 DeKoven Ave., Racine. Please contact Connie Abrahamson, Becky Gardner, or Becky Saxena to volunteer or for more information.