

Springs of Grace Lutheran Church

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November 23rd, 2014

Introduction to the Day

On this final Sunday of the church year our gospel is Jesus' great story of judgment. In the end, the faithful are those who served Christ by ministering to those who are poor, hungry, naked, sick, or estranged. In the first reading God is the shepherd who seeks the lost, weak, and injured and feeds them with justice. We gather this day to celebrate the reign of Christ and his victory over death, yet awaiting the consummation of all things yet to come. Acknowledging Christ as our merciful ruler, we go forth that his reign may be known in our loving words and deeds.

Commemorations for the Week

Sunday, November 23, 2014

Clement, Bishop of Rome, died around 100
Clement was the third bishop of Rome. He is best remembered for a letter he wrote to the congregation in Corinth, still struggling with the same problems that led to Paul's letters to them. As did Paul, he focused on the need for love among Christians.

Monday, November 24

Justus Falckner, died 1723; Jehu Jones, died 1852; William Passavant, died 1894; pastors in North America
Not only was Falckner the first Lutheran ordained in North America, but he published a catechism which was the first Lutheran book published on the continent. Jones was the Lutheran church's first African American pastor and carried out missionary work in Philadelphia which led to the formation there of the first African American Lutheran congregation (St. Paul's). William Passavant helped to establish hospitals and orphanages in a number of cities and was the first to introduce deaconesses to the work of hospitals in the United States.

Tuesday, November 25

Isaac Watts, hymnwriter, died 1748
Thought by many to be the greatest hymnwriter in the English language, Watts as a youth was critical of the quality of the metrical psalter of the time. He wrote about 600 hymns—many based on the psalms, but others that are not.

Sunday, November 30

Andrew, Apostle
The first of the disciples to be called by Jesus, Andrew

quickly began to bring others to the Savior, including Simon Peter. The Bible also shows him leading some Greeks to meet Jesus, and he brought forward the boy with five loaves and two fish, with which Jesus fed thousands.

THE PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday 11/23
9:30am Sunday School
10:30am Christ the King Sunday
Tuesday 11/25 11am Building Team
1:30 Worship Planning
Thursday 11/27 Thanksgiving
Saturday 11/29 Happy Bday Mary!
Sunday 11/30 9:30am Sunday School
10:30 First Sunday of Advent
Decorate Church

PRAYER CONCERNS

We remember in prayer our members:
Gere, Jim, Unice, Linda and her family

Members' family and friends:

Sue, Larry, Tom C., April S., Joe and Tammy L., Susan Logan, Troy, Imbue family, Judy, Wayne, Karen, Bob Shaw, Spartanburg County Deputies, Linda, Rocky T., Brumhilde, MaryButler, friends of MaryAnn D., Dan Camp, Ann Lineberger, Eric Schaeffer, Family of Orion H., Sara L., Millie O., Rolley Dickerson
Please keep Mary Ellen Wuerfel and her family in your prayers at the death of her son Michael Cline.



JOYS? CONCERNS?

November 16th

Worship Attendance – 57

Offering - \$1,578

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday, November 17, 2014 Psalm 9:1-14 Zechariah 1:7-17 Romans 2:1-11	Thursday, November 20, 2014 Psalm 95:1-7a 1 Kings 22:13-23 Revelation 14:1-11
Tuesday, November 18, 2014 Psalm 9:1-14 Zech 2:1-5; 5:1-4 1 Thess 5:12-18	Friday, November 21, 2014 Psalm 95:1-7a 1 Chron 17:1-15 Revelation 22:1-9
Wednesday, November 19, 2014 Psalm 9:1-14 Job 16:1-21 Matthew 24:45-51	Saturday, November 22, 2014 Psalm 95:1-7a Isaiah 44:21-28 Matthew 12:46-50

Financial Peace University

This course teaches a biblically based method of personal and family money management focused on reducing debt and planning your future. John & Sandy Fancher took this course at Joy Lutheran in Moore and say that it has been a blessing. They are willing to co-teach this course to our community this winter. Details and scheduling forthcoming. Ask John and Sandy about it!

Lutheran Men in Mission First meeting was

November 15th at 9am at the church.
We will meet on alternate days and times monthly switching from the second Thursday at 6.30 pm and the third Saturday at 9.30am. Next scheduled meeting will be on December 11 at 6.30pm. This will give everyone at least an opportunity to be at a meeting every two months to accommodate their schedule.
Mission Goals: Helping in the community and our own congregation, Have Quarterly events where church members and the community are invited. First event would

be in March 2015. If anyone has a suggestion on speakers or format, please let Tom know. Sharing personal experiences and letting the group know how it has changed their lives.

A note from the ELCA:

Cecilia,

Please make arrangements to send a \$10,000 December 2014 payment and a \$10,000 January 2015 payment, as the FY 2014 Program 130-135 Partnership Support for Springs of Grace, Boiling Springs, SC (#030443). Bob Beaver has been effectively accompanying the ministry this year to address the On Hold status issues.

In addition to submitting a copy of the executed Redevelopment Covenant, Bob Beaver will accompany the ministry to organize pastor redeveloper and two lay leaders participation in Part 2 of the Missional Leaders Training Conference Redeveloper/Renewal Leaders Training in 2015, as conditions of this FY 2014 Partnership Support. Thanks for your attentiveness! Neil
GGM Grant for \$5,000 also given to us.

ADVENT MIDWEEK MEAL and SERVICE – Beautiful service planned. Invite everyone you know.

Dear Hobby and Friends at Springs of Grace, The 2015 SC Synod Assembly will be held on May 28- 30, 2015 at the Spartanburg Marriott. The Initial Leadership Planning Team Meeting for the 2015 SC Synod Assembly will be held on December 4, 2014 at 6:30 pm at St. John's. I look forward to being in Spartanburg with those who would like to be on this Assembly Planning Team. Let me know if you will attend this meeting on December 4th at 6:30 PM at St. John, Spartanburg (415 Pine Street) and if you would bring 2-5 (or more if you have willing volunteers)members from your congregation to come and be part of this planning team.

In Christ, Ginny Aebischer

Those Who Serve

The Kooper Group. No session this week.

District I School Lunch Buddies – Melton, Ron, Bob, Kathy, Susan, Gail

Spiritual Gifts Inventory In Progress

Calls: Thanks to Helen Roof – Parish Register

Grant (Sections E. &F.) and Covenant Accepted



First Communion Lia



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Elect Brad Elliott to Worship and Music & John Fancher to VP

Adopt Continuing Resolution to Form Mission Team

Pass 2015 Budget

Unrestricted Funds

Thanks to Diane Ablett for doing a great job.

New Council Installed on December 7th

Welcome back Pastor Jim Milligan next Sunday.

	November 23	November 30
Greeters	Jane Lewis	
Altar Guild	Mary Lou Saville	Diane Ablett & Barbraann Barraud
Pastor	Oутten	Jim Milligan
Crucifer	Joseph Outten	Taylor Crawley
Acolyte	Robert Faulks	Abby Donaldson
Cantor	Brookley Baker	Brookley Baker
Pianist	Maria Menendez	Maria Menendez
Lector	Norm Lewis	Gail Hackett
Communion Assistant	Melton Roof	Mary Lou Saville
Ushers	Larry Cantrell & Bob Faulks	Marion Varner & Richard Barraud
Counters	Rich Donaldson & Melton Roof	Ron Crawley & Susan Rinkema
Refreshments	Donaldson Family	Wendi Gowan & Evelyn Swain