

The News of Grace

Volume 37, no. 9

September 2014

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

“But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. (2nd Timothy 3:14-15)

The last couple of weeks have reminded me how difficult it is being a parent and turning loose of your children. It is not something that Paula and I haven't done before, but we know that this is different. You really don't think about that when you have them, which is probably a good thing, even though you have also left the nest and your parents behind. I remember well the three times that Paula and I took our children to college for their first year. With each one of them there were the private thoughts about how quickly the time seemed to have passed by, the flashes of memories about certain times in their lives that we shared that left a lasting impression on me, coupled with the thoughts of their being safe in a new place as they were coming and going. With each one of them I tried to complete a prayer before we left them, but could not get all the way through it without showing some emotion. They were ready to fly and so we needed to go.

Last week Paula and I helped Paul relocate to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He hasn't lived with us for over a year, but it was nice to have him in town so that he could drop in for a visit, have dinner with us or come by and watch a game. He was close by and we had known that there comes a time when you can't say to your friends that you are living with your parents, though we had no trouble with that. Two weeks ago he turned twenty-five and so a few days later we had him loaded up and we set off for “America's Dairyland”, the home of the Badgers, Brewers and Packers. Paul was ten days old when we moved to Reedsburg, Wisconsin (Sandy and Tim Sweeney's hometown) for my vicarage year. We have always said that he made the trip better than the rest of us. So twenty-five years later he heads back that direction and we are pretty sure that he will stay there for a while longer.

Any parent knows that it is not easy to turn loose of a child, though today it is easier to communicate with them and even get to see them with face time and the like. We are a very mobile society. On the way home from helping Paul get settled in Milwaukee we stopped in to see Aaron and Kirby in Chicago, and of course we got to see our granddaughter, even if it was for just a day. I ask for pictures to be sent periodically which they regularly provide so that we can see her grow. During our time there Hannah sent us a text that included a picture of her, a “selfie” that she took that morning which was her first day of her last year in college. We had a tradition as the kids were growing up to take a “first day of school picture” on the front porch and so Hannah figured that this was her last time and she needed to have a record of it. I also remember a Saturday morning in May in 1987 when I said goodbye to my mother as I left for the St. Louis Seminary. My Dad and brothers helped us move. I recognized at that time that I would not be coming back home except for an occasional visit and mother knew that too.

While I don’t usually use this space to share family information, it was something that was fresh on my mind and on my heart as I recognized that another school year has begun for all of our children. I hope that you don’t mind my doing so.

Some of our children will be returning to college, others will be going away for their first time. Some of your children may be moving away for work and taking your grandchildren with them. Some of our children will be changing schools and others will be catching up with their friends after their time off this summer. We may have a couple of our children who are entering first grade. I even have some memories from my first grade year. The United States flag had just been changed to have fifty stars as Alaska and Hawaii had become states. You can figure out what year that was. Here at Grace Confirmation Instruction for our seventh and eighth graders will begin sometime this next month. The first Sunday in September is Christian Education Sunday which coincides with a new Sunday School quarter. The traffic around the church has increased as Mount St. Mary is back in session and so it goes with life, year in and year out we watch as our children grow up physically and intellectually and move ahead to the next level. It remains our task as parents and as a Lutheran Christian congregation to assist in that process and to make sure that our children are growing in their faith in Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

If you haven’t noticed lately we have quite a few children around here on Sunday morning. I have baptized eight infants already this year. This Sunday I will baptize three siblings, what a blessing that is for me to

do on your behalf as your Pastor. During the Children's Message we have many new children with whom I have an opportunity to share the Good News of God's grace in Christ Jesus. The task of raising children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord is a parental one. The Lord has made that our responsibility. Our children learn the stories of Holy Scripture from us. It is with us that they assemble in God's house to hear His Word. It is here that over time they learn to recite the Lord's Prayer as well as the Apostles and Nicene creeds, even as they learn Christian hymns and the Lutheran liturgy. Here they learn the blessed assurances of the forgiveness of sins and the hope of everlasting life.

St. Paul, writing in his second letter to a young Pastor named Timothy reminded him that he had learned those same assurances from his mother Eunice and his grandmother Lois. His sincere faith was the result of their sincere faith. So too it is for you. Someone was responsible for sharing with you the story of God's plan of salvation. Your parents may have begun doing so when you were a toddler. Maybe a friend brought you to Vacation Bible School or Sunday School and you later brought your family. It happens that way as well. Our Early Childhood program teaches the little ones that are brought here for care and development the songs about Jesus' love for them, and you can be sure that they share those songs with their parents, even if they don't get all the words correctly.

All of Holy Scripture has been breathed out by God. God the Holy Spirit has worked in the lives of the prophets, evangelists and apostles to record His story of promise and fulfillment. We know those writings to be the Old and the New Testament and together they show us how God was reconciling the world to Himself, not counting our sins against us. They show us that God, by His grace and mercy, has made us His children. If we are His children, then we are heirs of His inheritance which is life eternal. Thanks be to our heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ His dear Son!

One of our hymns by the same name of the title of this "first page" says it this way: *Neither life nor death shall ever, from the Lord His children sever; Unto them His grace He showeth, And their sorrows all He knoweth. Though He giveth or He taketh, God His children ne'er forsaketh; His the loving purpose solely To preserve them pure and holy.* (LSB 725 stanzas 3-4) Certainly our Heavenly Father does not turn loose of us and so we cling to Him and His promises made certain for us through His Son, Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Lord be with you! - Pastor Walter

Director of Parish Music

Greetings in the name of our Risen Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ!

It is time for the music groups at Grace to start another year! Our music groups exist to proclaim the Word of God to the congregation in worship, whether by leading the congregation in song, singing anthems, or playing instruments. It is a great joy and privilege to be able to lead this congregation's musical forces, and I invite you to become a part of it!

We will have a kickoff event on Tuesday, September 9th, from 6-7pm in Parker Hall. Everyone currently involved in music at Grace, interested in music at Grace, or possibly interested in music at Grace is invited to come. The members of the music groups will be bringing a dish to pass (appetizers or desserts), and we invite you to come and join us. There will be an overview for what the groups will be doing this year, an opportunity to provide accurate contact information, but especially time for all the musicians of the congregation to get together in one place. Also, there will be child-care provided for this event. Please let me know if you will be taking advantage of child-care. It was a great success last year and I look forward to seeing you there this year!

As I said previously, if you are interested in participating in music at Grace, please come to the kickoff event and let me know of your interest. Additionally, you can call me at the church (501) 663-3631 or email me at nathan@gracelutheranlr.org. I look forward to having you join with us.

New this year, we will be providing child-care during our Tuesday evening rehearsal times. Megan Gipson, a member of this congregation has graciously agreed to do this on a weekly basis for us. Thanks to Megan for giving parents with small children an opportunity to participate in the music groups at Grace!

One hymn that is especially appropriate as we begin another year of music here is "With the Lord Begin Your Task" (LSB 869). I have been reminded by several folks throughout the years that this

is a favorite hymn of the Berner family, and rightly so. I leave you with the hymn text for your edification.

Stanza One: With the Lord begin your task; Jesus will direct it. For His aid and counsel ask; Jesus will perfect it. Every morn with Jesus rise, And when day is ended, In His name then close your eyes; Be to Him commended.

Stanza Two: Let each day begin with prayer, Praise, and adoration. On the Lord cast every care; He is your salvation. Morning, evening, and at night Jesus will be near you, Save you from the tempter's might, With His presence cheer you.

Stanza Three: With your Savior at your side, Foes need not alarm you; In His promises confide, And no ill can harm you. All your trust and hope repose In the mighty Master, Who in wisdom truly knows How to stem disaster.

Stanza Four: If your task be thus begun With the Savior's blessing, Safely then your course will run, Toward the promise pressing. Good will follow everywhere While you here must wander; You at last the joy will share In the mansions yonder.

Stanza Five: Thus, Lord Jesus, every task Be to You commended; May Your will be done, I ask, Until life is ended. Jesus, in Your name begun Be the day's endeavor; Grant that it may well be done To Your praise forever.

God of majesty, whom saints and angels delight to worship in heaven, be with Your servants who make art and music for Your people that with joy we on earth may glimpse Your beauty. Bring us to the fulfillment of that hope of perfection that will be ours as we stand before Your unveiled glory; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Peace in Christ,

*Nathan Beethe
Director of Parish Music*

Grace Music Groups

**Here is a quick run-down of our
Grace Music Groups:**

Adult Choir

Handbell Choir

Children's Choir

Brass Choir

Cantor

Vocal Soloist

Instrumental Soloist

**For more information, contact
Nathan Beethe.**

nathan@gracelutherallr.org

(501) 663-3631

THOSE WHO SERVE in SEPTEMBER

ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

8:15 a.m. Worship Services – Connor Stephens

10:45 a.m. Worship Services – Matthew Warren

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

September 7th – 10:45 Service – Greg Warren

September 14th – 8:15 Service – Gary Proud

September 21st – 10:45 Service – Jeff Ralston

September 28th – 8:15 Service – Carter Stein

USHERS' SCHEDULE

8:15 a.m. Worship Services – Gary Goldsby's team
Terry Bradshaw, Jim Marvin

10:45 a.m. Worship Services – David Roberts' team
Charlie Buchanan, Terry Clawitter, Bryan Gipson

CANTORS' SCHEDULE

8:15 a.m. Worship Services – Paula Walter

10:45 a.m. Worship Services – Suzanne Lambert

GREETERS' SCHEDULE

8:15 a.m. Worship Services – Jack and Pat Funk

10:45 a.m. Worship – Gervais and Sharon LeBlanc

ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE

8:15 a.m. Services – Lori Bloom and Angie Proud

10:45 a.m. Services – Lou Alice May

Wednesday Mid-Week Services – Suzanne Raddle & Wilma Richter

*If you are unable to serve please ask someone to fill in for you
and then call the church office.*

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE

Volunteers Needed to Serve

COFFEE HOST SIGN UP - Please take a minute and sign up for the Sunday on which you wish to serve. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board by the Parlor.

The schedule for **September, 2014** is:

Sept. 7 th	Board of Christian Education
Sept. 14 th	_____
Sept. 21 st	_____
Sept. 28 th	Manchester, Roberts, Wade Wallace

The schedule for **October, 2014** is:

Oct. 5 th	_____
Oct. 12 th	_____
Oct. 19 th	_____
Oct. 26 th	Reformation – One Service Sunday

Thanks!! We appreciate your help!

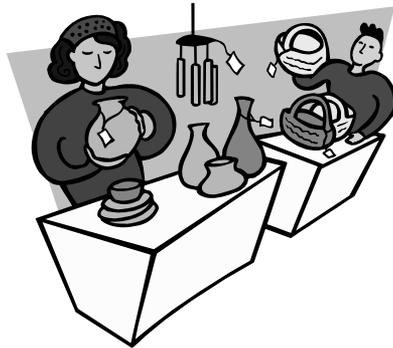
**GRACE FALL CRAFT SHOW
AND
USED BOOK SALE**

**Applications now being accepted
for booth rentals
at the Grace Fall Craft Show**

Mark your calendar for Saturday, November 1st, 2014 for the **Fall Craft Show and Used Book Sale**. We gladly accept donations of used books beginning mid- October. The Fall Craft Show and Book Sale will benefit the Seminary Food Bank at Concordia, St. Louis and also Kevin Ray, in his Vicarage year. Matching funds will be donated by Thrivent Financial.

Follow us on Facebook at [facebook.com/groups/gracecraftshow](https://www.facebook.com/groups/gracecraftshow).

Contact Riley Middaugh at ram0220@aol.com or 954-9281 for more information.



STEWARDSHIP BUDGET RE-CAP

2014 budget totals \$531,856

which is an average weekly

General Fund contribution requirement of \$10,228

Budget needs through August 24	\$347,752
Actual expenses through August 24	\$332,024
Contributions to General Fund from all sources	\$328,173*
Average weekly contribution through August 24	\$9652

In summary, General Fund giving for the year is \$3851 less than actual expenses. By comparison, this time last year giving was \$288 less than expenses.

Non-budget giving to designated funds through August 24 \$30,770

*These contributions include a monthly payment from ECDC to help offset expenses. They also include some memorials and honorariums which are not designated to specific funds.

GRACE FAMILY NEWS AND NOTES

WELCOME...

Randy and Amy Yovanovich and their children Ryan, Garrett and Morgan have recently transferred to Grace. Please welcome the Yovanovich's to our Grace Family.

Leo and Eileen Esget and their daughter Emily have recently transferred to Grace. Please welcome the Esget's to our Grace Family.

ADULT CONFIRMATION...

On August 31st Alicia Reneé Eustice was received into communicant membership in our Grace congregation by Adult Confirmation. Alicia is the wife of Willie Eustice. Please welcome Alicia to our Grace Family.

HOLY BAPTISM...

Jackson Lyle Austin Starr, son of Travis and Heather Starr, was received into God's Kingdom of Grace through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on Sunday, August 17th. His sponsors are Tim and Sandy Sweeney.

On August 31st, Katie Marie Williams, Emma Reneé Eustice and Luke Paul Eustice were received into God's Kingdom of Grace through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Please welcome them to our Grace Family. Their sponsors are Christina Pierce and Ricky Eustice.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY...

Our Christian Sympathy to the family of Brandon Shaw who died suddenly August 1st in Indiana. Brandon is the nephew of Gary Proud. Please remember Gary and Angie and their family in your prayers.

Our Christian Sympathy to the family of James Michael Woodyard who died suddenly August 10th in Little Rock. James is the brother of Danny Woodyard and uncle of Daniel and Lily Woodyard. Please keep the Woodyard family in your prayers.

GOD'S BLESSINGS...

GOD'S BLESSINGS to Paul Walter as he recently moved to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Paul has been a blessing to our Grace Family and will be truly missed. His address is 5055 South Greenbrook Terrace, #4210, Greenfield, WI 53220

CONGRATULATIONS...

CONGRATULATIONS - At Rollin on the River part of team Alex All Stars, Maxwell Baker ran his personal best 5k - 20 minutes 25 seconds. Maxwell took first place in his age group 9 to 14. Alex All Star team (Alex Roberts) had the 3rd highest amount of members. Congratulations, Maxwell and Alex!!!

A.C.T.S RUMMAGE SALE

September 11, 12, and 13

Parker Hall

ACTS RUMMAGE SALE – Mark your calendar – The ACTS Rummage Sale is scheduled for **September 11, 12, and 13** in Parker Hall. Bette Bogart is asking for your help on Sunday, September 7th following the 10:45 service to help unload and unpack items for the sale. She and Paulette Goldsby will also need your help throughout the week. Contact Bette to let her know when you can help.

Festival of the Reformation

CENTRAL ARKANSAS REFORMATION SERVICE

First Lutheran Church
Little Rock

Sunday, October 26th
3:00 p.m.

First Lutheran Church, Little Rock, will host the annual **Central Arkansas Festival of the Reformation Service** at **3:00 p.m.** on **Sunday, October 26th**. This year's guest preacher is The Rev. Gregory Seltz, Lutheran Hour Speaker, and will be assisted by Lutheran Pastors from the Central Arkansas area.

Following the service, a German meal will be served which is prepared by First Lutheran Men's Network funded by Thrivent Financial. So come on down and join us for some great music, preaching, and food as we celebrate our Lutheran heritage!

Mark your calendar and make plans to attend!!!

SIT AND SEW

Sit and Sew will meet on **Tuesday, September 2nd**, at 12:00 noon. Bring your project and join them in the downstairs classroom in the church. They will also discuss plans for the Grace Fall Craft Show and Used Book Sale.

For details call Carole Nichols, Sammye Sue Harrill or Riley Middaugh.

NOON DEVOTIONS WITH PASTOR

Parker Hall

Noon Devotions with Pastor is **Thursday, September 18th**, (Note the change of date) at **12:00 noon in Parker Hall**. Bring your sandwich and join us for Bible study and fellowship. Drinks, chips, and dessert are provided. We eat first and then Pastor Walter shares a devotional Bible study with us. **Bring a friend and join us ...this is a wonderful opportunity for fellowship!!**

FELLOWSHIP CLUB

Parker Hall

Fellowship Club will meet on Tuesday, **September 16th**, at 12:00 noon in Parker Hall. Our ACTS friends will serve another delicious meal. Mark your calendar and plan to come and have a great time of fun and fellowship.

**Grace Lutheran Women in Mission
September 18th**

6:00 p.m.

“A Meet and Greet” Salad Supper

You're Invited!!! We're hosting a **Salad Supper** on Thursday, **September 18th**, at **6:00 p.m. – A Meet and Greet!!** – a great way to make new friends at Grace. All women at Grace are invited. Bring your favorite salad and enjoy a great time of fellowship. Call the church office for more information.

**Evening Guild or Lutheran Women in Mission
.....WHAT IS IT?**

We are part of the national LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League). Here at Grace it is a wonderful close fellowship of women serve their Lord and fellow man.

Some of the things we have done in the past are:

Bible Study

School Kits for *Lutheran World Relief*

Mites for Mission Grants in our district and world-wide

White Elephant Sale....proceeds to selected projects at Grace

LWML Café at the **Grace Fall Craft Show and Used**

Book Sale

Palm Sunday Bake Sale... proceeds to selected projects each year at Grace

Serve an **Advent Dinner** and **Lenten Dinner**

Send **Greeting Cards** to **Grace's home-bound members**

Deliver **Gifts** to **Grace's home-bound members** at Christmas

We work hard, laugh a lot and enjoy making new friends.

We have a lot of wonderful, talented women working together to serve the Lord, and we would love to have you join us.

LWML

Mission Grant Bulletin Bytes September 2014

WORSHIP FOR SHUT-INS \$80,000

Each week, many senior citizens struggle with health issues that confine them to their homes, or rooms, and keeps them from experiencing an essential element of Christian spiritual wellness, namely, worship with fellow believers at their local church or retirement center chapel. *Worship for Shut-Ins*, a DVD program produced by Lutheran Ministries Media (LMM), can be made available to the spiritual leaders at these facilities, who in turn, can broadcast the program over an “in-house” closed circuit system; copy each program and deliver them to the residents for their own convenient viewing; or facilitate their own weekly group viewing event in a specified area of their facility. For more information on this and other 2013-2015 LWML Mission Grants, go to www.lwml.org and scroll down on the “Mission Grants” drop-down menu.

Grace Congregational Fish Fry October 4th

School has started & fall is here! It's time for the **Annual Grace Fish Fry!** Please put Saturday, October 4, on your calendar for a great evening meal. Potluck dishes, great catfish and chicken, and wonderful conversations with those people you have wanted to meet and talk to. **Details to follow...**

Questions call Ron & Russlynn Krueger - 221-7383

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

The Women of Grace are collecting supplies to make **School Kits** for **Lutheran World Relief**. To the children who receive School Kits, these supplies mean the difference between getting an education or not. In the places where **LWR** works, even a few required supplies may be more than families can afford. Items needed for each kit includes:

- **Four** 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper; no loose-leaf paper
- **One** 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- **One** pencil sharpener
- **One** blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- **Five** unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
- **Five** black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band
- **One** box of 16 or 24 crayons
- **One** 2½” eraser
- **Backpack**

Our goal is 75 School Kits. Items may be brought to the church and placed in the container marked “**School Kits**”. We are also in need of volunteers to make simple backpacks. A simple pattern is available and material can be provided if needed. For any questions, please contact Ginny Ralston at 425-1487. Now is a great time to take advantage of the various sales. Thank you for your help!



Lutheran World Relief

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND GOD'S BLESSINGS to Grace Family Members in the month of September:

- 1 - Sarah Gipson, Robert Johnson, Donna Middaugh
- 2 - Jim Gray
- 3 - Ethan Andrews, Jack Stephens, Hannah Whitney, Mildred Wilkins
- 4 - Carrie Eubanks, Paulette Goldsby, Raymond Harrill
- 5 - Kyla Bryant, Kari Schulz, Megan Witte
- 6 - Grant Geuther
- 7 - Lisa Hicks
- 8 - Fred Martin
- 9 - Lyndsey Dilks, Eric Sanders
- 10 - Robert Nichols, Robin Paulson
- 12 - Nick Worden
- 13 - Dawn Cline, Gisela Spieker, Sydney Manchester
- 13 - Steven Michael Paulson
- 14 - Mary Kendall Jenkins
- 16 - Zachary Johnson, Heather Saco
- 17 - Jason Camacho
- 19 - Nathaniel Richmond
- 20 - Megan Calvillo, Cooper Eubanks, Jeramy Stephens
- 22 - Maxwell Baker, Leah Sanders
- 23 - Carol Ann Honeywell
- 24 - Tim Allaben, Mark Jones
- 25 - August Stein
- 26 - Madison Derden
- 27 - Terry Hill
- 28 - Daniel Loyd
- 29 - Kaylee Hammond, Robert Middaugh

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to these couples in September:

- 1 - John and Emma Jane Ohnemus, Ruth and Lance Whitney
- 5 - Stephana and Tim Loyd, Bev and Richard Sanders
- 6 - Becky and Ken Ross
- 14 - Kellie and Brian Dumont
- 15 - Jennifer and Jeremy Hammond
- 16 - Judy and Jim Keppel
- 18 - Kristin and Matt St. Clair
- 21 - Cynthia and Scott McCrory
- 27 - Lyndsey and John Allen

If we missed your birthday or anniversary; please let the church office know.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES AT GRACE

Our nursery, downstairs in the church, is also available to take care of the infants and toddlers during Sunday School/Bible Class time.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS - Pastor Walter's Bible Class meets each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in Parker Hall. Pastor Walter is leading a study of the book of Hebrews.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES for children ages 3 through 6th grade are held in the lower level of the Family Life Center. Parents are invited to join us for the opening service at 9:45 each Sunday. Questions? Contact Sunday School Superintendent Colleen Moorman for more information.

JUNIOR YOUTH class meets at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday in their classroom downstairs in the church. John Calvillo leads the class each Sunday morning.

SENIOR YOUTH class meets each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in their classroom downstairs in the church. Dave Roberts leads the class each Sunday morning.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY group meets every other Monday at 7:00 p.m. Their next time to meet is Monday, September 8th. Contact Vicar David Witte at drwitte@gmail.com for additional information.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY class meets each Wednesday morning at 6:30 a.m. at St. Vincent Hospital in the 4th floor conference room (off the main elevator). Pastor Walter leads this Bible Study. All men of Grace are encouraged to attend.

September 7th - Christian Education Sunday

The Board of Christian Education will serve refreshments in the Parlor during Coffee and Fellowship time following the 8:15 Service. The children have already moved to their new classes.



ECDC News & Notes

A new school year has begun! And excitement can be found throughout ECDC! We've got "old" kids in new classes checking out all the new toys and learning opportunities – and seeing just what their new teachers expect and have to offer! We have several new staff joining our awesome team of teachers – all geared up to share their love of children. And, we've got a bunch of "new" ECDC family members whom we are really glad have joined us for lots of fun and learning!

We finished last school year with a great graduation and program – if you weren't able to come you really missed something! A special thank you to the Board of Christian Education for once again hosting the reception following the program – as always it was very yummy! The staff then spent two days getting ready for the new year. We spent the time cleaning and meeting and organizing and getting familiar with our all sorts of necessary resources. The staff especially enjoyed sessions facilitated by Sharon LeBlanc. It was an awesome couple of days that were well used and most appreciated by the staff!

September finds us at the beginning – the alphabet, counting, shapes, learning all about "me", my senses, family, and friends. AND of course "in the beginning God created . . ." We will learn about how our Heavenly Father has GIVEN us everything we need – all our gifts are freely given out of Fatherly love; and, He promised us a Savior – all at the very beginning! If that isn't enough we'll go on our annual all school trip to the Little Rock Zoo! I'm tired already 😊

Just a friendly reminder to consider registering your KrogerPlus Card for ECDC to benefit each time you shop. Currently 67 households are supporting ECDC – we would love to see that double or triple – will YOU help? If you are interested or having trouble signing up give me a call and we'll get you set up!

Come visit us sometime – it'll be fun for sure! See ya again next month,

Until then God's continued blessings to each of you –

Colleen

Painless Ways to Support Little Rock Lutheran Education!



Many of you already take advantage of company programs that provide financial incentives for Grace Lutheran ECDC and Christ Lutheran School that don't cost you any extra money — for that we all say THANK YOU! These programs are really an untapped resource that benefits Lutheran education in Little Rock by providing funds for all type of budget needs! And all the programs are very user-friendly and simple — some only require scissors!

Following are programs used by one or more of our Lutheran schools – please consider this painless way to support Lutheran Education in L.R.!

KROGER PLUS CARDS Grace ECDC

The Board of Christian Education encourages you to enroll your Kroger Plus card at www.krogercommunityrewards.com today. Once you choose Grace's ECDC program (code 80368), a portion of your eligible purchases at Kroger goes directly to the ECDC. Holiday shopping is around the corner so please support our ECDC. Every dollar you spend benefits this amazing program here at Grace. For questions or help with your enrollment, please contact Catherine Manchester (821-4140) or Colleen Moorman (663-0755). Thank you!

General Mills “Box Tops for Education” used by Christ Lutheran School Campbell's Labels used by ECDC & Christ Lutheran School

Here's how these work:

- Remove “box top for education” labels from General Mills containers (ie Cheerios, Betty Crocker), and/or ENTIRE LABEL WITH UPC CODE from Campbell's products (ie soup, juices).
- collection boxes may be found on the bookcase next to the breezeway or the entry area of ECDC.
- “Box Tops for Education” provide monetary support for the CLS Band, “Campbell's Labels” are turned into credit toward purchasing supplies and equipment for both ECDC and Christ Lutheran School.