

Happening at Grace

November 5—Mark your calendar for a full day of worship, fun and fellowship!

WORSHIP at 7:45, 9, and 10:30 a.m.

OPEN FORUMS at 9 and 10:15 a.m. in the Heritage Room (church basement). Come for an update and discussion of Grace's strategic plan and goals for 2018, including expanded ministry at Grace and downtown. Sizzling, delicious bacon (and other refreshments) will be served by the church council.

FINE ART & CRAFT FESTIVAL, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Grace Center. Local artisans will showcase and sell handcrafted and unique works. A children's coloring table will be available, Grace Place Coffee will be open all day, and outside, the Blue Cow Crêperie food truck will be serving up gourmet crêpes curbside!

REFORMATION 500 WORSHIP SERVICE. Join thousands of fellow WELS members from around southeast Wisconsin for a special Reformation worship service! This once-in-a-lifetime 500th anniversary celebration is set for 3:30 p.m. at the Miller High Life Theatre (500 W. Kilbourn Ave.). The beautiful message of the Gospel, in spoken word and song, will be joyfully proclaimed with brass, percussion and organ, a mass choir and children's choir.

Happy Hobby Hour: Wine Tasting—Start your weekend off right with a glass of wine! On Friday, Oct. 13, sample wines from all over the world. Reds, whites, sweets - something for everyone! The event begins at 5:30 p.m. and costs \$5, which includes appetizers, beverage ticket, and a raffle entry—you could win a bottle of wine! RSVP to Veronica at vbrewer@gracedowntown.org or by calling the church office at 414-271-3006.

Game Night with Grace YP—Join Grace Young Professional (YP) Group for a night of board games, music, food and drink, and all-around fun! This 21-and-over event will take place on Friday, Oct. 13, from 7 p.m. until 12 a.m. in the Grace Center Great Hall. Bring your favorite board games, snacks, and friends! Contact Josh Grefe with any questions, email graceypgroup@gmail.com or text 507-995-4934.

First Fridays at Five with Chant Claire—In celebration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, Chant Claire chamber ensemble presents a concert centered on Luther's legacy and influence in music, worship and culture. Join Chant Claire on Friday, Nov. 3 at 5 p.m.; light refreshments will follow. CDs will also be available for purchase. Concert is free to the public, however, donations are welcome.

Seeking Advent by Candlelight Hostesses—It is never too early to plan ahead for Advent by Candlelight here at Grace! Advent by Candlelight, an evening of worship and fellowship for women, is set for Sunday, Dec. 3, 5-8 p.m. in the Grace Center Great Hall. Sign-up sheets for hostesses are up in the Grace Center and in the Parish Center (beneath the large Christmas wreath); you can also express interest in hosting by calling the church office at 414-271-3006 or emailing data@gracedowntown.org. Hostess sign-up will be ongoing until Tuesday, Oct. 31. Never hosted before? Wonderful! Whether you have hosted a table for several years or just want to give it a try, every woman is welcome to this evening of celebration!

Building Hosts Wanted—With the holidays right around the corner, Grace is in need of additional volunteer building hosts to greet members and visitors to the Grace Center on Sunday mornings. If you are available one or two Sundays between now and December, please consider contacting Veronica Brewer at vbrewer@gracedowntown.org or calling the church office at 414-271-3006 to sign up for a slot!

Festival Helpers Needed—Grace is looking for a few good men and women to help set up for the Fine Art & Craft Festival! Help is needed Thursday, Nov. 2 at 5 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 4, 3-7 p.m., and Sunday, Nov. 5 at 3 p.m. Contact Events Director Tabitha at tweber@gracedowntown.org or call 414-271-3006 to sign up for a time.

Altar Flowers—Have an anniversary, baptism, birthday, or wedding to celebrate? Consider a gift of altar flowers to commemorate the occasion! There are still a few spots left for 2017 (including Oct. 29). Sign up in the narthex, or call the church office at 414-271-3006 with questions.

Happening around WELS

You're Invited!—St. John's On-The-Hillside (804 W. Vliet St., Milwaukee), our nearby neighbor, has invited members of Grace to join them for their community picnic today, Sunday, Oct. 8. Bring a dish to pass, and enjoy lawn games, bounce house, live music, and a raffle from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Enjoy an afternoon of fun with our brothers and sisters in Christ!

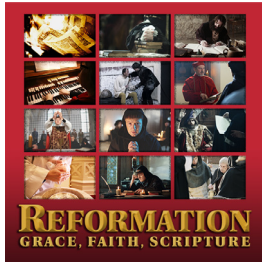
Wisconsin Philharmonic Concert—The Philharmonic presents Mendelssohn's *Reformation Symphony* on Tuesday, Oct. 10 at the Sharon Lynne Wilson Center in Brookfield (19805 W. Capitol Dr., Brookfield - located in Brookfield's Mitchell Park). Pastor Aaron Christie will offer a 20-minute pre-concert lecture on Mendelssohn's Lutheran faith; the Philharmonic is offering WELS members discounted tickets at \$25 each. Call the box office at 262-547-1858 and mention you are WELS.

LWMS Fall Rally—Come and learn of God's abundant blessings on the ministry of the Gospel of Christ the King, Palm Coast, Florida! On Saturday, Oct. 21, join in fellowship with other women 8 a.m. to noon for the Lutheran Women's Missionary (LWMS) Fall Rally at Zion Lutheran School (1023 E. Capitol, Hartland). Pastor Phil Huebner (Pastor James Huebner's son!) will be the guest speaker. Contact Lois at 262-369-0803 for details.

Bible Study at Grace

Sunday Morning Bible Class

Sundays, 9:00 & 10:15 a.m. | Grace Center Great Hall



Reformation: Grace, Faith, Scripture

This 12-lesson study uses film clips from *Return to Grace: Luther's Life and Legacy* to introduce important Reformation truths, including Baptism, Justification, Saint and Sinner, Vocation, and Worship.



If you can't make it in person, visit our YouTube page for Sunday Bible Studies.
youtube.com/c/gracedowntownorg

Nursery

Sundays, 8:45-10:15 a.m.

Sunday morning nursery service is available for infants and children up to 3 years old. The nursery is adjacent to the Parish Center lobby and will be staffed from 8:45-10:15 a.m.—during the 9:00 a.m. service and Bible study. If any Grace members would like to volunteer in the nursery once a month please contact Myrriah Greanya, myrriah.greanya@gmail.com, or Fritz Horn, fritzjhorn@gracedowntown.org.

Friday Bible Breakfast

Every 2nd & 4th Friday, 6:30-7:30 a.m. | Grace Place Coffee

In the spirit of the special 500th anniversary of the Reformation, this group will focus on Martin Luther, growing in how to draw teachings from Scripture alone and tracing all wisdom, comfort, and joy from Jesus and his death for us.

Prime Time Bible Study

Wednesdays, 10-11:15 a.m. | Grace Center classroom

Topics include: The time from Adam to Noah, population of the pre-flood world, building the ark, the flood and evidences of it, worldwide flood traditions, and God's covenant with Noah.

Sunday School

Sundays, 9-10 a.m. | Parish Center, lower level

Sunday School is available for children ages 3 through 6th Grade! Contact Staff Minister Fritz Horn at fritzjhorn@gracedowntown.org with any questions.

Teen Bible Study

Sundays, 9-10 a.m. | Trinity Room

For teens in grades 7-10, this Bible study meets Sundays during the school year.

Bible Information Class

Thursdays, 7-8:00 p.m. | Grace Center classroom

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Grace offers a comfortable atmosphere for people to explore the truths from the Bible about their relationship with God. It's not just for "new members"—all Grace members are invited to attend and bring a friend! Today's topic is *Grace*; this upcoming week's topic is *Faith*. To sign up or for more information, contact the church office, 414-271-3006 or mail@gracedowntown.org.

Young Professional Bible Study

Tuesdays, 7-8 p.m. | Grace Place Coffee

Single? Married? All 20-and-30-somethings are welcome! Join YP for a new Bible study, entitled *Jesus + Nothing = Everything*. Books are provided at no charge, so feel free to drop by! For more information, send an email to graceypgroup@gmail.com or visit the Grace Young Professional Facebook page.

MSOE Bible Study

Wednesdays, 7 p.m. | MSOE Campus Center, third floor

Grace, in partnership with The Point of Grace Milwaukee Campus Ministry, is here to serve your spiritual needs while at school. For more information, please contact Pastor Strong at astrong@gracedowntown.org.

This is Jesus: King of the Jews

Thursdays, 6 p.m. | Heritage Room

Perfect for members in choir, this Bible study is for everyone! Pastor Bondow leads this Bible class on the study of Matthew's Gospel.