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Grace Lutheran Church & School

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You are all familiar with the Christmas tree. But were your great-great-grandfathers? Not long ago, it was laughed at and frowned at and railed at, and even forbidden. It came to this country, uncertain whether it might stay. For its light will last only if men love and understand it with their hearts - as you can see from the story of its first year in an American city.

This story starts in a church. Its name was Zion Lutheran Church; and its address was York Street, Cleveland, Ohio. Neither large nor old, it had a gabled roof, no steeple, and a chimney in the rear. It was so plain that at first glance you could mistake it for a dwelling; if you looked again, though, it was every inch a house of God. On Christmas Eve, the minister, Pastor Heinrich Christian Schwan, stood before the little church as his flock arrived for the services. The wide front door was shut, to keep the cold out, and as the hundred or so men, women, and children came up snow-covered York Street, Pastor Schwan opened the door for each with a friendly "Merry Christmas" - and then he watched their faces.

There was not one who did not stop on the threshold and **Pastor** Schwan's gasp. parishioners were simple folk, as plain as their church. Only their youngest children were born here in the United States; their neat Sunday clothes had crossed the ocean with them, years before; and they never hid their feelings. The women dabbed at their eyes, and the men cleared their throats or blew their noses. Some oldsters peered into the church as if their youth had suddenly risen before them. But the best reward for the minister's labor of love came from the children.

Last of the congregation to arrive was a young mother who led a very small girl by the hand. Pastor Schwan let them in and carefully bolted the door; and then, walking up the aisle behind them in the twilight of his church, toward the altar and the tall, green tree glistening in the light of its candles, he heard the

child's delighted whisper, "Mother, look - the Pastor's got a tree from Heaven!"

When Pastor Schwan later read the Gospel story of the Nativity to the people, it seemed to him as though he never had seen so heartfelt a Christmas joy. All of this happened quite some time ago. What was then York Street is now Cleveland's Hamilton Avenue, and the little Zion Church has long since been torn down as the congregation moved on to a fine building of stone. For the Christmas was that of 1851, and the tree which the child thought the Pastor had gotten from Heaven was the first tree to shine at an American Christmas service.

The previous story is a true one and told by relatives. great-great-great My my among grandparents were the German emigrants there that Christmas of 1851 at Zion Lutheran Church, Cleveland. My great-greatgrandfather, Heinrich Friedrich Hoelter, was a boy five years old who witnessed these events in person that Christmas Eve. Pastor Heinrich Schwan later became the third President of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, serving the synod 1878-99.

The version of the story you read above the dotted line came from: Hertha Pauli, *The Story of the Christmas Tree* (Boston: Houghton Mifflin Co., 1944).

If you are interested in reading more about this true story, there is an online article "America's 'First' Christmas Tree," published in the Lakewood Observer about Rev. Schwan's Lakewood is a suburb of Christmas tree. Cleveland. Point your web-browser to: http://lakewoodobserver.com/read/2011/12/13 /americas-first-christmas-tree You might also be interested in an online article I wrote on the subject several years ago. It contains a video that was produced in 1956 about Rev. Schwan's tree. If you have 25 minutes to watch the video, think you would find it interesting: http://steadfastlutherans.org/2012/12/our<u>first-christmas-tree-by-martin-noland</u>. Here is another article that contains additional information on the subject: http://web.ulib.csuohio.edu/german/articles/yule.html

Of course, Christmas is not really about trees in the plural, but the Tree in the singular, i.e., the Tree of Life. For it is through the incarnation of God's eternal Son that the world has been offered the wonderful gift of eternal life, after mankind was separated from the Tree of Life in the Garden of Eden. Jesus died on the tree of the cross, so that we might believe in Him and so inherit eternal life. He is our Tree of Life, and that is always something worth celebrating!

A blessed Christmas to you and yours!

Martin R. Moland

Yours in Christ,

Lutheran Women's Missionary League



Grace LWML Mission Statement

"Our mission is to encourage the women Word and Sacraments that they may serve our Triune God with their time, talents and treasures."



Mission Project Work Day

No work day in December

Tuesday, January 23, 2018 - 1:00-3:00 pm Dolores Keim's House

2016-2018

Mission Grants

LINC Bay Area
 Theological Training

 Zone 2

LINC Bay Area Hayward, CA

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Upcoming dates:

December 10, 2017 – GLC LWM:L Chirstmas

Luncheon - see separate page







"Let us now go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass, which the Lord has made known to us...... and found Mary and Joseph and the Babe lying in a manger."

GLC LWML Christmas Luncheon

Sunday, December 10, 2017 12:00 Noon – Grace Parish Hall

Everyone Welcome! Men, Women, Children Grace Members - Grace School Families - Friends

Potato Bar with all the fixings

Bring a <u>salad or dessert</u> (beverages provided)



Monetary Love gift for our tree: CNH Disaster Relief Fund
(for wildfire victims)

(Make checks payable to GLC LWML)

Program: "Make a Joyful Noise"



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BOARD OF DEACONS

ALTAR GUILD

Do you have an hour on Saturday morning and twenty minutes after church available for a month? This would be around six hours. Let's see...once a year six hours or maybe twice a year for twelve hours. Such a small amount of time that is joyful when serving our Lord and church. Any confirmed woman who would like to help, please contact Ellen Bordy at 650-747-0501.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Perhaps you have wondered what happens to the flowers after Sunday Worship Service. They are rearranged into vases (milk cartons wrapped in pretty paper) and delivered to shut-ins, the ill and hospitalized, and to happy parents at the birth of a child. Our members who receive the flowers, especially the shut-ins, truly appreciate being remembered. If you would like to contribute, please sign up on the FLOWER CHART in the hallway. Dana's Flowers is the supplier and charges \$68.00 per Sunday. Please feel free to share with another party. Make checks payable to Grace Lutheran Church and add "For Flowers" and place into the offering plate on your 'chosen' Sunday. Please realize how easy it is to sign up...then forget when the check is due. If you are celebrating a special occasion, please advise the office by Wednesday before 'your' Sunday.

COFFEE HOUR

NEEDED .. two people to serve coffee/tea the first Sunday of every month and the fifth Sunday (only 4 times a year). Can you spare one Sunday in the whole year? Please sign up on the Board of Deacons board next to the kitchen.

KITCHEN

A reminder....after using any kitchen item, it is <u>your</u> responsibility to wash, dry, <u>and</u> put it back where the item was taken. Keeping the kitchen clean and organized saves a lot of wasted time. Please help in this endeavor.

ALL CHARTS FOR 2018 WILL BE POSTED ON DECEMBER 1, 2017.

LIBRARY CORNER

240.04 Helen Steiner Rice -- HEART GIFTS

Inspirational poetry reaches into our hearts, renewing our hope and faith in God.

266 Clara Burke -- DOCTOR HAP

A selfless man who dogsledded miles through 30 below weather to aid sick Eskimos and trappers. He set up a modern hospital in the wilderness and brought health, civilization and the realization of God to a depressed, ignorant people.

286.1 Margaret Jensen -- LENA

In the late 60's, a southern college hires a black maid and a white nurse to work together in an infirmary. Lena, the maid, uses laughter, hymns, bible verses, prayers and common sense to help others daily. A story of family reconciliation.

411 Robert Claiborne -- THE BIRTH OF WRITING

Among all the creations of man, writing is the intellectual achievement. In some areas of the world, ancient writing systems remain impenetrable. Wonderful pictures and a graph at the end of the "emergence of man."

629.4 Neil Armstrong -- FIRST ON THE MOON

An official account, the way the voyage was, as seen by the men who experienced it. The story of Apollo 11 and putting man on the moon.

920 Martin Maehr -- BLAZING THE GOSPEL TRAIL

A Lutheran pastor keeps diaries of his life from the mid nineteenth century. Surviving harsh weather, family and congregation decisions, all the joys and challenges of ministering to Germans in rural America.

For the benefit of those who were not able to attend the Dedication Celebration, which was held on November 12, 2017, please find a copy of the Luncheon Program in its entirety along with the historic document entitled 'By the Grace of God-A Dedication Celebration'.

We thank God for His many blessings, including our sanctuary in which we worship, our organ by which we sing with the heavenly choir and our members past and present.

A DEDICATION CELEBRATION

Sanctuary: 50 Years Pipe organ: 25 Years

Luncheon Program
Master of Ceremonies: Dan Hahn

Welcome

Hymn: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (verse 1)

Introductions and remarks:

Pastor Noland
Lance Johnson, congregation president
Congregation's past presidents
Visitors and special guests
Judy Boyd, luncheon chairman
Judy Iocco and Mary Clapp, anniversary co-chairmen

Hymn: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (verse 4)

Comments from members and/or guests

Slide show of sanctuary's construction: Fred McKenna

Hymn: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (verse 5)

Closing devotion and organ music in the sanctuary Please bring this program with you.

After the closing, interested persons are invited to the balcony to see our pipe organ and learn more about it from our organist, Vaughn Jones.

Grace Lutheran Church San Mateo, California November 12, 2017

TLH #39

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

- 1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy Health and Salvation! Join the full throng; Wake, harp and psalter and song; Sound forth in glad adoration!
- 4. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee, Who from the heavens the streams of His mercy doth send thee.

Ponder anew What the Almighty can do, Who with His love doth befriend thee.

5. Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen Sound from His people again; Gladly for aye we adore Him.

Sung by the Senior Choir exactly 50 years ago on the sanctuary's dedication day, November 12, 1967, at the 3:30 p.m.

Vespers Service of Thanksgiving

TLH # 283 God's Word Is Our Great Heritage

God's Word is our great heritage And shall be ours forever; To spread its light from age to age Shall be our chief endeavor. Through life it guides our way, In death it is our stay. Lord, grant, while worlds endure, We keep its teachings pure Throughout all generations. Amen.

Sung at the organ dedication: August 16, 1992

TLH#640

God the Father, Son, and Spirit

- 1. God the Father, Son, and Spirit, Ever-blessed Trinity, Humbly now our thanks we offer, All unworthy tho' we be. Freely Thou hast showered blessings Countless as the ocean's sands,
 - Blessings rich and overflowing, On the labors of our hands.
- 3. Grant that we Thy Word may cherish And its purity retain. Lord, unless Thou art the Builder, All our labor is in vain. Keep us from all pride and boasting, Vanity and foolish trust, Knowing that our work without Thee Soon will crumble into dust.

(Please stand in honor of the Trinity)

4. God of grace and love and blessing, Thine alone shall be the praise;

Give us hearts to trust Thee truly, Hands to serve Thee all our days.

Lord, bestow Thy future blessing Till we join the heav'nly host,

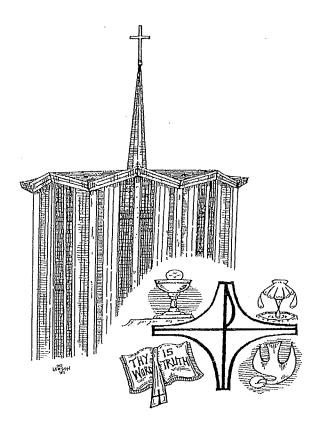
There to praise and serve Thee ever, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Sung at the 25th anniversary of the sanctuary dedication: Nov. 15, 1992

By the Grace of God A Dedication Celebration

Sanctuary: 50 Years Pipe Organ: 25 Years

November 12, 2017



Grace Lutheran Church 2825 Alameda de las Pulgas San Mateo, California

A BRIEF HISTORY OF GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church of San Mateo, California, originated on the second Sunday of October, 1922, when the Reverend Albert R. Kurtz preached on the subject: "The Bible – A Divine Book", in the San Mateo Women's Club auditorium. From the beginning, the small number of worshipers were determined to purchase and possess a church home, believing that thereby its missionary opportunities would be enhanced. A lot, located on Griffith Avenue (now San Mateo Drive) between Poplar and Santa Inez Avenues, was purchased and donated to the congregation. After securing pledges from members and a \$4000 loan from the California and Nevada District Church Extension Board, the erection of a church building began September 4, 1924. The church and furnishings cost approximately \$7,100. On December 7, 1924, the church was dedicated to the honor and service of the Triune God. The Reverend A. F. Breihan of San Jose and the Reverend T. C. Pieper of San Francisco preached for the occasion.

On May 25th, 1925, the congregation adopted a constitution and became organized. The following men signed the constitution as charter members: The Reverend Albert R. Kurtz, John H. C. Baden, John D. Borchers, Wm. H. C. Ziedrich, George Borchers, Wm. A. Krase, P. Phillips, H. J. Olaffson, Thos. N. Gesso, H. R. Spitzer, and Paul Shrimer.

In 1938 the congregation adopted a master plan calling for the erection of two church buildings, one to serve the Lutherans living in the Burlingame area, the other to serve families which, according to forecasts, would soon be moving into the undeveloped southern portion of San Mateo. It was decided to build the Burlingame edifice first to serve the members of the congregation from both San Mateo and Burlingame. This building was completed and dedicated in 1939.

Meanwhile, the congregation continued to grow, and in 1947 land was purchased at 29th Avenue and Alameda de las Pulgas in San Mateo. On this site our present parish hall was erected in 1948, and for the next three years the parish had two places of worship. However, because of the growing population of San Mateo, it was decided to divide the parish into two congregations. The Burlingame congregation adopted the name Trinity Lutheran Church of Burlingame and the Reverend Paul Huchthausen was called as pastor. Pastor Kurtz continued to serve the San Mateo congregation, which retained the original name, Grace Lutheran Church. Grace congregation began to grow rapidly as new families moved into the San Mateo area in the postwar years. In 1951, Pastor Kurtz retired because of ill health. The

congregation extended a call to the Reverend Paul E. Jacobs of Terra Bella, California, who then became the pastor.

Steady growth continued, and in 1954 the congregation resolved to erect an educational unit to provide badly needed space for the Sunday School, and also to provide facilities for a Christian day school. Mr. Gerald Seevers of San Francisco accepted a call to serve as principal of the new day school in September 1956. After Mr. Seevers accepted a call to Illinois in 1967, the congregation called Mr. Karl Ohlmann who was installed as principal in August 1967. The congregation decided to close the school in June 1968.

In 1964, the California-Nevada District, Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod extended a call to Pastor Jacobs to serve as its full-time president. Pastor Jacobs accepted this call, and the subsequent pastoral vacancy was filled in June 1965 by the Reverend Carl Hiller of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Santa Fe, New Mexico. Shortly after Pastor Hiller's arrival, the congregation engaged Mr. Alfred Johnson as architect to draw up plans for a new church building. Ground was broken in January 1967, and the completed building was dedicated to the glory of God on November 12, 1967, the Third to the Last Sunday of the Church Year. The following members of the congregation served on the Building Committee: George Eskra, Chairman, Ralph Krogfoss, Clifford Miller, Leo Pawlick, Melvin Rojko, and Fred von Husen.

After serving Grace congregation for 17 years, Pastor Hiller retired in February 1982, and was designated Pastor Emeritus. The Sunday following the Reverend Hiller's retirement, the Reverend Charles E. Froh of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, was installed as pastor of Grace congregation.

In 1984 the congregation re-opened the day school with Mr. Brian Carrigan as principal. After Mr. Carrigan accepted a call to Torrance, California, in March 1985, Mrs. Beth Landon became principal. In 1993, Mrs. Landon accepted a call to Lombard, Illinois, and Mr. Martin Borkenhagen served as interim principal for one year. Mr. Robert Meier, a Grace teacher, became principal in 1994, and later served as both teacher and principal until June 2016, when Mr. Frederick Brauer was called to serve as principal and teacher.

To enhance the worship life of the congregation, and in conjunction with celebrating the 25th anniversary of the dedication of the church sanctuary, a pipe organ crafted by W. Zimmer & Sons, Inc. of Charlotte, North Carolina, was dedicated to the glory of God in August 1992.

It became apparent that there was a need for additional space for both the church and the school. A building committee was appointed in January 1994, consisting of the following members: Don Morrow, Mike Bannister, Fred McKenna, Marthe Carter, Jeannette Oatman, Alice Wessling, Robert Emery, and Robert Meier.

The building project included a library/Bible study room, one new large classroom, enlargement of an existing classroom, and remodeling of the kitchen and restrooms. Dedication of the new addition was held on December 27, 1998. Guest preacher for the occasion was the Reverend Wallace Schulz, Fifth Vice President of the LC-MS and Associate Speaker for The Lutheran Hour.

On May 20, 2004, the Reverend Frank Balgeman was called to be Assistant Pastor. Pastor Balgeman began missionary work, initially establishing home-based services and outreach to Half Moon Bay and the surrounding San Francisco Bay Area, and later in the community of Colorado Springs, Colorado.

After serving Grace congregation for 31 years, Pastor Froh retired on the Sunday of the Fulfillment, January 15, 2013, and was designated Pastor Emeritus. Pastor Froh continued his service with the LC-MS as a professor for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kenya seminary in Motongo, Africa.

On November 4, 2012, the Reverend David Carver of Our Savior Lutheran Church, Stevensville, Montana, was installed as pastor and served until June, 2016 when he accepted a call to Taylorsville, North Carolina.

Following a nearly year-long period of visiting pastors and elder-led services, a call was accepted by the Reverend Dr. Martin Noland of Trinity Lutheran Church, Evansville, Indiana. Pastor Noland was installed as Senior Pastor on June 4, 2017.

On October 31, 2017, the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation was celebrated, and on November 12, 2017, a Dedication Celebration commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Sanctuary and the 25th Anniversary of the Pipe Organ was held in thanksgiving to God.

† To God All Praise and Glory †

School News

LOOKING BACK... November was filled with many events including Veterans' Day, our District Teachers' Conference and Training Days, and the National day of Thanksgiving. We welcome December with the beginning of the Advent Season. As we look to the celebration of our Infant Savior's birth on Christmas, we rejoice in knowing that we celebrate these activities together as a family of Grace!

DECEMBER 2017 & JANUARY 2018 DATES TO REMEMBER

December

- 5 All School Open House bring your friends and introduce them to our school!
- 8 Mid-Quarter ends
- 10 Partners in Worship GLS Choir sings meet in Parish Hall at 8:40 a.m.
- 13 Advent Worship Service Grace Lutheran School Studentsall grades participate
- 21 Noon dismissal Extended Care available Noon-6:00 p.m.
- 12/22-1/ 8 Advent/Christmas Break No School/No Extended Care

January

- 1-8 Christmas Break No School/No Extended Care
 - 9 School Resumes 8:30 a.m. PTL Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Partners in Worship GLS Choir sings meet in Parish Hall at 8:40 a.m.Pancake Breakfast!
- 15 Martin Luther King, Jr., holiday No School/No Extended Care
- Jr. Kindergarten/Kindergarten Info Night6:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.Invite your friends and family to join!
- 22-26 Lutheran Schools Week (Watch for special activities and events!)
 - 27 GLS EWASTE EVENT 9:00a.m.-2:00 p.m.

WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR...? Have you ever been asked that question? During the Advent Season, (the church season which precedes Christmas),

Christians have a clear answer to this question. Advent means the arrival or coming of 'something'. It is during the Advent season that Christians are preparing for the celebration of the birth of the Infant Savior, Jesus.

WE WELCOME YOU TO JOIN US for our Mid-Week Advent Services, (Dec. 6, 13, & 20th at 7:00p.m.), our Sunday Services (each Sunday at 9:00 a.m.), and our Epiphany Service (January 6th at 7:00 p.m.). We also invite you to join our Chapel services normally held each Wednesday at 8:35 a.m. in the Sanctuary. On the last Wednesday of each month, the Chapel service is called 'Kids of the Kingdom' and is held in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to attend school chapel at either location!

AN E-WASTE EVENT will be held on Saturday, January 27th to benefit GLS's Technology and P.E. programs! Invite your family, friends and neighbors to drop off their e-waste for the benefit of your child's education. For more information, contact Annette Holthaus (GLS Technology and P.E. Teacher) at aholthaus@glcssm.org. She'll be glad to give you details!

WHAT IS LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK?

National Lutheran Schools Week provides a network of nearly 2,300 LCMS preschools, elementary schools & high schools with the public opportunity to proclaim and celebrate God's work among us in Lutheran schools.

We thank God for the opportunity to provide excellent academic preparation for the children we serve and are grateful for the opportunity to share Jesus' amazing love with children and their families. National Lutheran Schools Week gives us an opportunity to proclaim these great blessings within the communities we serve.

Our schools are amazing incubators for faithful witness of God's love for us through Christ by teachers and students alike. (https://www.lcms.org/lutheranschoolsweek).

During the week of January 22 – 26th, Grace Lutheran School will participate in celebrating Lutheran Schools Week. Please look for the Parent Information Note for activities scheduled during this week of celebration.

Thank you to all who support Grace Lutheran School. Thank you for entrusting your children in our care!

Grace Lutheran School E-WASTE COLLECTION EVENT



Saturday, January 27, 2018 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Grace Lutheran School

2825 Alameda de Las Pulgas San Mateo, CA 94403

WHAT WE WILL COLLECT

Monitors, computers, laptops, cell phones, telecom equipment, TVs wire/cable, PC boards, scrap metal/aluminum, computer mice, cameras, keyboards, printers, toner and ink cartridges, stereo equipment, and DVD/CD/MP3 players.

WHAT WE CAN'T TAKE

Smoke detectors, fluorescent lights, or alkaline batteries, small appliances or household items, such as toasters, microwave ovens, irons, vacuum cleaners, slow cookers, heaters, fans, etc.

It's time to clean out your cubicles and closets – get rid of your obsolete or unwanted ewaste. It's good for the planet too!

Contact:

Annette Holthaus aholthaus@glcssm.org

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December 2017

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New Years' Eve

January 2018

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¹⁰ Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith. ~Galatians 6:10

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