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**Below is a copy of the Grace Notes cover page prepared by The Rev. Charles Froh for May 2011.
The message of Grace and Truth remain the same yesterday, today and always...**

LIVING BEYOND THE RESURRECTION

The 'forty days after the resurrection of our Lord' are a time of proclamation, witness and restoration of the miracle that occurred at the tomb which had been prepared for Joseph. Instead, for a brief time, the tomb held the lifeless body of the Son of God.

On that day of days called "Good Friday" Jesus cried with a loud voice, "It is finished!" But what was it that was finished? Was it His suffering? Yes indeed! But even more importantly what was finished was the life of Humiliation that He undertook to redeem a lost and sinful humanity.

His work of holy living as the substitute for sinners was finished. His perfect keeping of the law was accomplished. His being abandoned by God was done. The pain of mortality and death had been borne. On those shoulders He carried your trials, your troubles, heartache and pain. On His back He carried your transgressions and bore your stripes of punishment for sin. Yes, His work, the work that the Father had given Him to do, was finished.

Yet ahead lay the revealing to doubting and discouraged followers, the reality of His resurrection, and Peter, who must be placed back into His Vocation, to be shepherd of the flock of God!

You also are witness to the resurrection through those who were eye-witnesses. Listen as Jesus commissions His "Sent Ones" teaching them to be His witnesses throughout the world.

John 20:19-23

Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut

where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you...As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit." If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." (NKJ) Acts 1:8-9

"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. (NKJ) Matt 28:18-20

And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen. (NKJ)

These other "great gifts" continue to extend the Cross and the work of Christ into your world today providing faith and Hope for a sin-filled world. Thanks be to God! He is risen! Still!

Pastor Froh

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On Palm Sunday 2017, Grace Lutheran congregation was blessed to receive the news that The Reverend Dr. Martin R. Noland had accepted the call to be our Senior Pastor. Copies of that acceptance letter were mailed to congregation members to herald that news. He looks forward to meeting each member of Grace and by way of introduction has provided his own biography in anticipation of his June 2017 arrival.

BIOGRAPHICAL PRECIS OF MARTIN R. NOLAND

Pastor Martin Richard Noland has been a member of the ordained clergy of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod for thirty-three years. He has served congregations of the Missouri Synod in full-time capacity as their pastor for over twenty-two years, including Saint John Lutheran Church, Elgin, Illinois (1984-86), Christ Lutheran Church, Oak Park, Illinois (1990-2002), both suburbs of Chicago, and Trinity Lutheran Church, Evansville, Indiana (2009-17). He served as a vicar for one year at First English Lutheran Church, Sterling, Colorado (1981-82).

Pastor Noland served as the Director of the Concordia Historical Institute, Saint Louis, Missouri (2002-2008). The Institute is the Department of History and Archives of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The Director is the chief executive officer of the Institute and has traditionally served as one of the synod's chief historians. During Noland's term of office, the Institute constructed a new museum about the history of the Missouri Synod at the synod's headquarters in Saint Louis. Also during his term of office, the Institute constructed a new archives facility with movable shelving that doubled its storage capacity.

Pastor Noland graduated from Concordia Teacher's College, River Forest, Illinois in 1979 with a bachelors' degree (B.A.) in Elementary Education, being certified to teach in Illinois for grades K-8. At River Forest he also completed the "Director of Parish Music" program, with special training in the pipe organ under Dr. Paul Bunjes, and choral singing and conducting under Dr. Carl Schalk and Dr. Tom Gieschen.

Pastor Noland graduated from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana in 1983 with a Master of Divinity (M.Div.) degree, with a concentration in Systematic Theology. He received a second degree from the same institution in 1986, the Master of Sacred Theology (S.T.M.), also in Systematic Theology. His thesis advisor for both degrees at Fort Wayne was Dr. David P. Scaer. Noland served as graduate assistant at Fort Wayne to Dr. Eugene Klug and Dr. Robert Preus (1983-84).

Pastor Noland enrolled at Union Theological Seminary, New York, New York in 1986 as a full-time resident student for four years. Union Theological Seminary is associated with Columbia University, to which it is adjacent, and is one of five "Ivy League" divinity schools in the United States. At Union, Noland studied under Dr. David W. Lotz in the field of Church History and the History of Theology, specializing in the history of the Reformation and the nineteenth century. Noland's dissertation was on the nineteenth century Berlin theologian Adolf von Harnack and the philosophy of history which guided his work. Noland received the Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) degree from Union in 1990 and the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree from the same school in 1996.

Pastor Noland has taught several courses at the graduate level for Concordia University, River Forest and Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, including several courses team-taught with Robert Preus. Noland has published over 236 articles or columns and given over seventy-three lectures to various groups and conferences in the areas of Lutheran theology and church history. He has made frequent appearances on KFUE-AM in Saint Louis and the "Issues, etc." radio program. He has a reading knowledge of Hebrew, Greek, French, some Latin, and is fluent in German.

Pastor Noland has been an editor for several Lutheran publications, including the *Concordia Historical Institute Quarterly* (2002-2008) and the Concordia Historical Institute *Historical Footnotes* (2002-2008). He has been an Associate Editor since 1996 of *Logia: A Journal of Lutheran Theology*. He served on the Board of Directors of the Luther Academy as its Vice-President (1993-2008), which

publishes *Logia* and the *Confessional Lutheran Dogmatics* and annually hosts the *Conference on the Lutheran Confessions*. He was one of the Lutheran delegates to the conference at Cambridge, Massachusetts in April 1996 that produced the “Cambridge Declaration of the Alliance of Confessing Evangelicals.” Since 2014, he has been a board member of the Lutheran Concerns Association, which publishes *The Lutheran Clarion* and hosts an annual conference in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Since 2014 he has also been a board member of the Lutheranism and Classics Conference at Fort Wayne, which meets biennially. He is presently the Secretary for the LC-MS Committee for Nominations and was its Secretary at the 2016 synodical convention.

In addition to a number of awards and scholarships in his high school, undergraduate, and seminary years, Pastor Noland received the Doctoral Fellowship for study at Union Theological Seminary in New York for the years 1986 to 1990. He received the Concordia Historical Institute Award of Commendation for works published in 1989, 2008, and 2011.

Pastor Noland’s parents moved from San Francisco to San Jose, California in 1960, where he grew up. His father, Bob Noland, was a manager at the San Jose-Cottle Road plant of IBM, where IBM mainframe computer disk drives were manufactured. His mother, Ruth Noland nee Erickson, grew up in Noe Valley in San Francisco and attended Saint John Lutheran Church and School (LC-MS) in the Mission district of the City. Her grandfather, Johann H.F. Hoelter, was a teacher and cantor at Saint John’s since 1903. Some of Ruth’s ancestors were residents of California since 1852 in Solano County, where her father Cliff was born.

Pastor Noland was born in San Francisco and was baptized at Saint John Lutheran Church in the City. Pastor Noland is a 1971 graduate of Santa Clara Valley Lutheran School, Cupertino, California (1971) and a 1975 graduate of Cupertino High School. He attended De Anza College in Cupertino for one year (1975-76), being enrolled in the Engineering and Physics fields.

In 1993, Pastor Noland married Karla Ruth Kuhlman of Sterling, Colorado. In 1998 Karla retired from Continental Airlines to raise their three daughters: Sarah, who presently attends Indiana University-Bloomington, planning to graduate in 2018; Renee, who attends Purdue University-West Lafayette, Indiana, planning to graduate in 2021; and Heidi who is a junior at a San Mateo high school.

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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."



**"Serve the Lord
with Gladness"**

Upcoming Dates:

May 18, 2017 - Mission Project Work Day
12:30 pm Dolores Keim's House

2016-2018

Mission Grants

8. Gospel Hands VBS
for Deaf Children

Lutheran Friends
Of the Deaf

\$3,000

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Building Grace For Future Generations!

Grace Lutheran Church and School have truly been blessed by God being given the awesome opportunity to GROW FORWARD through VISIONING. Let's Grow Together!

- **Reaching our community at large**
 - Relationship building w/in changing demographics
 - Community outreach via church/school events
- **International Academy Expansion**
 - Biblical worldly mission
- **School Branding**
 - Challenging technology based curriculum
 - Project based learning focus (hands on learning)
 - Cross-curriculum focus
- **After School Enrichment Programs**
 - Music
 - Tutoring club
 - Robotics
- **Church/School Unity**
 - Partners in Worship
 - Fellowship opportunities

Grace Lutheran School Upcoming Events

- May 12...School Play "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz" (10 a.m. & 7 p.m.)
- May 19..."All School Academic Faire" Open House!
 - Picnic Dinner (5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.)
 - JK & K: "A Year of God's Children at Work!"
 - 1 & 2: "A Year of God's Children at Work!"
 - 3 & 4: "A Year of God's Children at Work!"
 - 5 & 6: Country Reports & Authentic Food
 - 7 & 8: Science Projects
- June 9...
 - 8:30 a.m. Closing Awards Ceremony
 - 10:00 a.m. Kindergarten Graduation
 - 12:00 p.m. Eighth Grade Graduation

Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven?
 This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven,
 will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into
 heaven. Acts 1: 11

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Don-Maria Schaefer	Kay Bell Jr.	Evelyn Jones		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
				Celeste Crews	Milton Schwartz	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
					David-Barbara Smoot	
28	29	30	31			

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
			8:35a-Chapel Kids of the Kingdom			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9:00a-Worship Service 10:15a-Sunday School 10:30a-Adult Bible Study			8:35a-Chapel Kids of the Kingdom	4:00p-Senior Choir	10:00a-Grades 5-8 play 7:00p-Grades 5-8 play	2:00p-Aragon High School Chamber Choir concert-All are welcome!
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
9:00a-Worship Service 10:15a-Sunday School 10:30a-Adult Bible Study		4:00p-School Board 6:30p-PTL Meeting	8:35a-Chapel Kids of the Kingdom	4:00p-Senior Choir		9:00 a-Planning Council
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
9:00a-Worship Service 10:15a-Sunday School 10:30a-Adult Bible Study			8:35a-Chapel Kids of the Kingdom	4:00p-Senior Choir	5:00p-Academic Faire, PTL Picnic Dinner, GLS Open House	9:00 a.-Bd. of Lay Elders Meeting 10:30a-Gen. Society
28	29	30	31			
9:00a-Worship Service 10:15a-Sunday School 10:30a-Adult Bible Study	Memorial Day Church/School Office closed		8:35a-Chapel Kids of the Kingdom	Ascension Day 6:00p-Senior Choir 7:00p-Divine Service		
	No School/No Ext. Care					

MAY 2017 PRAYER PAGE

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

Egon Adam	Miriam Hirtzeman	Sandra Means	Dave Smoot
Bella Archer	Robert Innes	George Melke	Barb Smoot
Marilyn Bailie	Shirley Innes	Howard Menche	Paul Soals
Rev. Frank Balgeman	Michael Innes	Donna Menche	Stacey Soals
Valerie Balgeman	Donald Iocco	Daniel Menche	Jacquelin Soals
Chandler Balgeman	Heather Iocco	Michael Moreira	Dimitry Spencer
Mike Bannister	John Iocco	Amanda Moreira	Peter Spittler
Tami Bannister	Judy Iocco	Mia Moreira	Tamaray Starling
Nathanael Bannister	Ko Ishikawa	Molly Munson	Darryl Sterner
Kay Bell, III	Mariko Ishikawa	Caroline Nagy	Sandra Sterner
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Nathanael Bell	Lance Johnson	Floyd Oatman	Doris Tirschwell
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William Bethke	Katarina Johnson	Patty O'Donnell	Gina Tuft
Susan Bethke	Evelyn Jones	Elizabeth O'Donnell	Mark Tuft
Alice Boerschinger	Bob Keim	Gil Ramirez	Sue Tuft
John Bordy	Dolores Keim	Kathleen Ramirez	Martin Udisches
Ellen Bordy	John Kilcullen	Fred Robinson	Leann Udisches
Judy Boyd	Stefanie Kilcullen	Roberta Robinson	Christine Ullrich
Fred Brauer	Katie Kilcullen	Akram Saber	Zachary Ullrich
Karla Brauer	James Kilcullen	Ghada Saber	Octavian Vasilescu
Jordyn Brauer	Michael Kilcullen	Daniel Saber	Diana Vasilescu
Justin Brauer	Barbara Kilpatrick	Michael Saber	Flora Lisa Vasilescu
Klayton Brauer	Ruth Klingner	Charles Schaefer	Joan Weckerle
Paul Brownlee	Bill Koester	Donald Schaefer	Randy Wimmer
Lois Brownlee	Faye Koester	Maria Schaefer	Caden Young
Marcus Brownlee	Ryan Koester	Martin Semmler	Rebecca Young
Scott Brownlee	Amanda Koester	Michelle Semmler	Chandler Young
Katherine Brownlee	Gesine Kruse	Scott Semmler	Logan Young
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Phoebe Carver	Alexis McEnroe	Sandy Shanks	Judy Zahnow
Samuel Carver	Fred McKenna	Jessica Shanks	Mamie Zimbelman
Jolene Crawford	Marilyn McKenna	Detlef Siarkowski	
Robert Crews	Steve McLaughlin	Hannelore Siarkowski	
Veronica Crews	Heather McLaughlin	Ethan Smith	