



FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends of Grace,

The season of Lent begins on Wednesday, February 17th with the observance of Ash Wednesday. As is our custom, we will mark the start of the season of spiritual renewal with the Imposition of Ashes

in the church at 7:00 p.m. There will be no morning liturgy that day because the school children will be on winter break.

For a number of years we have observed mid-week Lenten services with several other local congregations. These services are held at a different church each week and are preceded by a meal and fellowship. This year the Lenten sermons will be meditations on various Psalms. I hope you will make a special effort to come out and join us.

Wednesday, February 17th

Imposition of Ashes at 7:30 p.m. here at Grace Church

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Wednesday, February 24th

Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Augustana Lutheran Church, 69-05 Ditmars Boulevard, East Elmhurst

Worship at 7:30 p.m.

Preacher: The Rev. Duane Jackson

Wednesday, March 3rd

Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Atonement Lutheran Church, 30-61 87th St., Jackson Heights, NY

Worship at 7:30 p.m.

Preacher: The Rev. Rosalind Brathwaite

Wednesday, March 10th

Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

First Reformed Church, 27-35 12th St., Astoria, NY

Worship at 7:30 p.m.

Preacher: The Rev. Rosalind Brathwaite

Wednesday, March 17th

Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Grace Lutheran Church, 31-20 21st Ave., Astoria

Worship at 7:30 p.m.

Preacher: The Rev. Alex Walbrodt

Wednesday, March 24th

Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Atonement Lutheran Church, 30-61 87th St., Jackson Heights, NY

Worship at 7:30 p.m.

Preacher: The Rev. James Klockau

The ancient Christian tradition of the Lenten discipline includes fasting, prayer, and works of love. These are helpful spiritual practices at any time, but the church calls the faithful to a spiritual intensity during the forty days of Lent which helps prepare us for our yearly contemplation of the saving events of Holy Week and to increase our joy at the Lord's resurrection on Easter Sunday.

It is good that we gather together as often as we are able to indulge in God's grace offered to us in word and sacrament. Sunday, being the day of the resurrection, is our primary day of obligation to meet as Christians. But I encourage you to make use of the additional opportunities made available during Lent to nurture your relationship with the Lord and with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

God grant us a holy Lent!

Pastor James Klockau



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VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE
FEBRUARY, 2010

FEBRUARY 7

Reader: Carolyn Bensen
Ushers: Linda Kvam
Julius Nytransky, Jr.
Comm. Asst.: Robert Gambarini

FEBRUARY 14

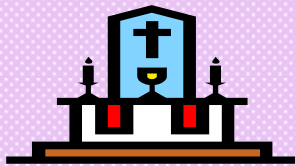
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Ushers: Linda Kvam,
Barbara Wilson
Comm. Asst.: Robert Gambarini

FEBRUARY 21

Reader: Carolyn Bensen
Ushers: Linda Kvam
Julius Nytransky, Jr.
Comm. Asst.: Robert Gambarini

FEBRUARY 28

Reader: Linda Kvam
Ushers: Barbara Gambarini
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ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE
FEBRUARY, 2010

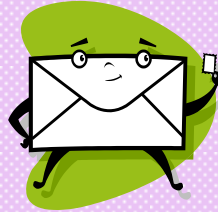
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Church Council Meeting

Please mark your calendars for our next ***Church Council meeting*** on Tuesday, February 16, 2010 at 7:00 pm.

FEBRUARY SPECIAL OFFERINGS



The Lenten Offering is for your Lenten gift to our church and a thanksgiving to our Lord Jesus Christ for his great gift of salvation for all who believe in Him.

Capital Improvements and Renovation Fund is used to cover the costs of maintaining our church properties. We are trying very hard to build up this fund again. Your generous contributions to the C & R Fund are greatly appreciated.

If you would like to donate to either one of these funds please mark your check accordingly and mail to: ***Grace Lutheran Church, 31-20 21st Avenue, LIC, NY 11105-2022.***

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS REPORT FOR JANUARY, 2010

C & R Fund.....\$ 147.06

Bear & Boiler Fund Donations\$ 25.00

Memorials from: In Memory of:

Kvam, Linda Linda Stephan
Mahlow, Annemarie " "
Schadej, Yvonne " "
Eleanor Schwart " "



Total Memorials\$ 95.00

Total Haiti Donations\$ 683.76

Total Amount Received.....\$ 950.82

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Eleanor Schwart, Linda Kvam
Special Accounts

QUEENS LUTHERAN SCHOOL

"The Academy in Astoria"
Grades 1st - 8th

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Our Curriculum Theme: "Grow Green"
Our School Theme: "Connected in Christ"

There are only three weeks in February and so much to do.

FEBRUARY: Black History Month. At our weekly Wednesday

Chapel the students will do a presentation on Black History Month.

CHAPEL OFFERING: for the months of January and February will be donated to Haiti relief. Our students wanted to send the funds, however small, to the people in Haiti. It broke their heart when they heard and saw the devastation from the earthquake and they wanted to help.

OPEN HOUSE: Took place on **Sunday, February 7, 2010** from **1:00-4:00 p.m.** and **Monday, February 8, 2010** from **6:00-8:00 p.m.** However, new parents are welcome to come and tour the school at any time.

RE-REGISTRATION: Forms were sent out for the coming school year and are being returned.

PENNIES FOR PATIENTS: Grace Lutheran School and Queens Lutheran School are participating. Since 1944, millions of dollars have been raised in pennies and other spare change by more than 10 million elementary, middle and high school students throughout the country. The funds collected during a three-week period, benefit the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

WINTER RECESS: Queens Lutheran School will be closed February 15 - 19.

Bettye J. Lee, Principal

"Just don't give up trying to do what you really want to do. Where there is love and inspiration, I don't think you can go wrong."

Ella Fitzgerald, Singer (1918-1996)



GRACE LUTHERAN SCHOOL

"The Best And Most Beautiful Things In The World Cannot Be Seen Or Even Touched. They Must Be Felt With The Heart."

~Helen Keller



February Themes

There are many celebrations in February. Our themes will include: Ground Hog Day, Love♥, US Presidents, Chinese New Year, and other winter and trip related topics.

Thank You

We thank our parents for their generous chapel donations in January. This money will be greatly appreciated by the people of Haiti who have been so horribly devastated by the recent earthquakes.

New York Hall of Science Trip

Our first bus trip to the New York Hall of Science is scheduled for Friday, February 5th. Our students look forward to learning about recycling and honey bees.

Registration/Open House for 2010-2011 School Year

Registration for our 2010-2011 school year will begin in February. As you know our seats are limited and our program fills-up quickly, so if you know anyone who is interested in our program please advise them to register early. Our Open House schedule is as follows:

Sunday, February 7: 1-4PM Monday, February 8: 6-8PM

Pennies for Patients

One again we will join QLS for this worthy cause. We have asked our parents to gather pennies and place them in our classroom collection boxes to help benefit patients with leukemia, lymphoma, myeloma, and other blood cancers. If you have any spare change gathering dust why not join us. You can deposit the change in one of our collection boxes.

February Dates to Remember/School Closings:

Black History Month – Pennies for Patients Collection Month

FEB. 2	Ground Hog Day
FEB. 5	School Trip to NY Hall of Science
FEB. 7	Open House 1-4PM
February 8	Open House 6-8PM
February 9	Kindergarten will celebrate 100 Days of School!
February 10	Tuition payment #7 is due today
February 12	Lincoln's Birthday
February 14	Chinese New Year
February 14	Valentine's Day♥
February 15-19	Winter Recess – School Closed
February 17	Ash Wednesday

On Valentine's Day♥ and throughout the cold days of winter may your hearts be filled with love and your homes with laughter.

Happy Winter,

Carla Ölmez, Director