

Welcome!

Welcome to worship at Grace Church, we hope you feel at home here. Please help us get to know you better and if you are a visitor fill out the portion below and drop in offering plate or in one of the baskets at the door as you leave the sanctuary.

(For Visitors)

- This is my 1st time visit to Grace Church
- I have visited Grace Church before
- I am a frequent visitor to Grace Church

Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Children : Name(s) & Age(s)

1. _____ Age: _____

2. _____ Age: _____

3. _____ Age: _____

4. _____ Age: _____

I would like a call from the Pastor

I'm new to the area

I'd like information about the church

I would like more information about a personal relationship with Jesus

I would like the newsletter emailed to me

This week at Grace

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Worship Service— Sanctuary	
4.6.25	9:30 a.m.	Children's Sunday School—Class Room	
	10:45 a.m.	Adult Sunday School—Jr. Room	
Tuesday 4.8	5:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts—Fellowship Hall	
Wednesday 4.9	6:30 p.m.	Lenten Study—Fellowship Hall	
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Celebration Choir—Sanctuary	
	4.10.25	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts—Fellowship Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study—Len Petratis'	
Friday 4.11	6:00 p.m.	Egg Hunt Planning—Fellowship Hall	
Saturday 4.12	10:00 a.m.	Community Egg Hunt—Fellowship hall	
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Worship Service— Sanctuary	
	4.13.25	9:30 a.m.	Children's Sunday School—Class Room
	10:45 a.m.	Adult Sunday School—Jr. Room	

Contact Us

Grace Church of Pen Argyl

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Call or email Pastor Tim if you would like to speak with him.

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You're always welcome here at
Grace Church

Nurture — Outreach — Witness

Our ministries do N.O.W.



FIFTH SUNDAY
In Lent

April 6, 2025

Prayers and Praises

O God, our heavenly Father, we ask that your healing, comforting power bring these persons recovery, strength and encouragement; though Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

- ✝ Jean Bosco—aunt of David Edelman
- ✝ Gilmore Honey
- ✝ Lucas Batchelor
- ✝ Jesse Smith
- ✝ Carol Voorhees
- ✝ Nichole Smith
- ✝ Lois Shelly
- ✝ Jervaise Surotchak

We also lift before you:

- ✝ The Leadership of Grace
- ✝ Safety for all military
- ✝ Missionaries around the world
- ✝ The homeless
- ✝ Strengthening of marriages and families
- ✝ Shut-ins
- ✝ Unspoken requests

Note: Contact the church office to submit prayer request. Only submit requests with permission from the person you wish to list. Concerns are listed in Grace Today for two weeks. If you or a loved one is hospitalized or in need of a Pastoral visit please contact the church office.

JUST A REMINDER

When Passing the Peace, if people are remaining seated, please respect their need for social distancing. Let's return to our seats as the music begins playing.

HOLY WEEK SERVICE TIMES

- Palm Sunday, April 13—9:30am
- Maundy Thursday, April 17—7pm
- Easter Sunrise, April 20—6:30am in the back parking lot, weather permitting
- Easter Sunday—9:30am

***Children's Sunday School NOTES:**

- Palm Sunday 4/13: Children will process into the church together waving their palms while singing with the choir and congregation
- Easter Sunday 4/20: NO Sunday School

EASTER EGG HUNT

There will be a Community Easter Egg Hunt on **Saturday, April 12th at 10:00am** for all age groups up to and including sixth grade. The Egg Hunt will be held rain or shine. We will meet in Fellowship Hall. Please bring your friends!



WOMEN OF GRACE

The Women of Grace will be meeting on Monday, April 14th at 5:30pm. They will be making cards to include with our Easter Ham Dinner Outreach. All women are invited! Don't miss out on this night of Christian fellowship!!

JOIN MISSIONS

The next Missions & Social Concerns Committee meeting is Monday, April 28th at 6:30pm. Anyone with the heart for missions and serving the church is welcome to join the meeting or see Pat Weber.

HAM DINNER OUTREACH

The Ham Dinner Outreach will be on April 19th at 10am. We are looking for donations of boneless cooked hams and pineapple stuffing. Please use the insert to sign up.

SPECK SCHOLARSHIP

Senior students who are members of Grace Church and plan on attending college may apply for the Kathryn J. and Walter R. Speck Scholarship. Interested seniors may pick up an application at the office and return it by April 21, 2025.

EASTER FLOWERS

Dedicate Easter flowers to your loved ones. They will be displayed in church during our Easter Services. The deadline to place an order is TODAY, April 6th.

VBS MEETING

There will be a VBS planning meeting at 11:00am (after service) on Sunday, April 13th.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join the Adult Sunday School at 10:45am in the Jr Room.

BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWER

A long time member of Grace, Jervaise Surotchak, will be celebrating her birthday on April 18th. If you'd like to help us "shower" her with cards, you can send them to:

Mrs. Jervaise Surotchak
315 N. Schanck Avenue
Pen Argyl, PA 18072

GRACE NEEDS YOU

Thank you so much to those of you who responded to the call of extra support for the church's general budget. You may not be aware that in addition to the utilities increasing, our Property and Liability Insurance went up over \$5,000 this year, that was an increase of 51% from last year. Some have wondered if the new televisions were paid for from the general budget? No, that was done with a very generous, designated gift.

It's your generosity and dedication to God that has enabled Grace's ministry to go forward. Together, by God's grace, we will meet our financial obligations.

DENOMINATIONAL DISAFFILIATION UPDATE

A recent breakthrough in the legal mire Grace Church has been in —trying to separate from the United Methodist Church due to the recent actions of the General Conference changing our Book of Discipline—is encouraging. The judge ruled in favor of the 50 churches, including us, desiring separation. The judge's "Summary Judgement" means that the reasons we have given for leaving the denomination have been accepted as grounds for going forward to trial. The fervent hope is that the Conference, Bishop and General Conference will want to settle fairly rather than go to trial.

The full "Summary Judgement" document is available in the office for you to look at. Please keep this process in prayer.