



Grace Notes

“What does God want for Pointe of Grace?”

At their meeting last Wednesday the Pointe of Grace Ministry Committee established a discernment process for our congregation to think about its future and the relationships with Trinity in Lynnwood. This conversation was in response to Bishop Kirby Unti’s letter of June where he said:

*“I am also concerned about Pointe of Grace receiving the care and leadership that they need. The Becks have been well received at Pointe of Grace. I am going to ask them to serve as Interim Pastors at Pointe of Grace at three-quarters time. **The purpose will be to explore what it means for Pointe of Grace to move forward in their next chapter of ministry.**”*



Interim administrator Lynn Landers, Grace Ministry Committee member Rolf Olsoy, and guest Laura Crawford attend to the discussion about the transition process, last Wednesday.

At the heart of this process will be the question “What does God want for Pointe of Grace?” “What is our calling at this time?” and “How will we best accomplish those purposes?”

Toward that end, Intentional Interim Pastor Red Burchfield and Interim Administrator Lynn Landers were part of the conversation and explained the current process for forming a congregational Transition Team as Trinity Lutheran Church prepares to call a new pastor(s). The Transition Team will

include representation from Pointe of Grace because at this time, Grace is in one organization with Trinity.

After long, spirited discussion, the question that the Ministry Committee clarified is not, “Does Pointe of Grace want to separate?” but rather, “Does Pointe of Grace want to go through a process of discernment to explore future directions?”

The immediate next steps in this discernment process for Pointe of Grace are to gather information and to begin conversation and prayer. Pastor John and Pastor Joan were asked to develop a plan and timeline. They will get started with that this week.

An early step will be to invite the Rev. Jerry Buss, the Synod’s Director for Evangelical Mission, to meet with us so we can learn what is involved in the ELCA’s process toward becoming a separate congregation.

A second step is to collect financial information to assess Pointe of Grace’s financial viability moving forward. This will be accomplished by a small work-group, beginning late next week.

Most importantly, watch for opportunities that will be coming to enter into conversation and prayer in small groups and as a congregation, as we seek God’s will.

(Article by Pastor John Beck)

Almost ready for heat or cold! A new furnace and air conditioner for the Grace office areas will be installed this week. The Trinity Council approved funds earlier this month and the contractor (Allied Complete Furnace & AC Repair) has moved quickly.



August 20, 2017

Dates and Times

WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION
Sunday, 9:30 AM,
Worship Room.

FELLOWSHIP TIME
Sunday, 10:45 AM
after worship,
Fellowship Hall.
No classes until Sept.
17 so plenty of time
to visit.

MUKILTEO TEEN
LOUNGE—SUMMER
Tuesday, starts in the
garden at 9:30 AM,
continues with games
until 2 PM.

WOMEN’S BIBLE
STUDY Wednesday,
10 AM, picnic in
Carol Loges’ back
yard this week.

SPACE FOR GRACE
PRAYER CIRCLE
Thursday, 1:30 PM,
Meeting Room.

LOOK AHEAD ~
MUKILTEO LIGHT-
HOUSE FESTIVAL
Sept. 8-10. Help staff
our church’s booth.

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Church building is staffed by vol-
unteers Tuesdays and Thursdays
from 10 AM–2 PM and Wednes-
days from noon–4 PM.



Katherine Satrom, her husband Ole, and their eight children moved from North Dakota to Everett, Wash., in 1967, where she has lived until the present with only a brief residency in Arlington. During this time Katherine was busy raising her children and working for Boeing for 13 years. Katherine was a member of Faith Lutheran Church until her family became charter members of Harbour Pointe Evangelical Lutheran Church, Mukilteo, in the mid-1980s. Her contributions to the church included working with Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) and the kitchen committee. She is presently a faithful member of the Pointe of Grace women's Bible study. Katherine will be moving to Marysville to live with her daughter, Denise, but has promised to visit us once in a while. She has a birthday Tuesday. We will miss you, Katherine!
(Article by Carol Loges)

RIGHT: At the Teen Lounge on Tuesday, Kieran and Thomas taught a dominoes game to two girls who just recently arrived here from Korea.

BELOW: Refreshing the room for Godly Play! *Clockwise from lower left*, Colleen Nollette, Mary Roper, and Ron Evans returned day after day to clean and paint the walls of the children's classroom. The bright off-white walls coordinate with blonde wood shelves that will hold the scripture story materials.



Song of the Day

God, with joy we look around us
At your world's diversity.
Folk of every kind surround us
And you call your church to see:
All are made in your own image!
All are people whom you love!

In the times we've hurt each other,
Lord, we've hurt the ones you bless.
Hating sister, cursing brother,
We've denied what you express:
All are made in your own image!
All are people whom you love!

God, you sent a Savior to us,
Breaking walls that would divide.
By your Spirit, now work through us
As we witness side by side:
All are made in your own image!
All are people whom you love!

*(By Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, tune RE-
GENT SQUARE [Angels, from the realms
of glory], forwarded by Arlene Brovald)*