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# THE GRACE MESSENGER





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Inspired By Christ, it is our mission to share God's Word and Love in care and service to all.

#### **2014 Council Members**



Officers Serving the Congregation:

Financial: Janet Hula Treasurer: Ralph Fitle

The regular meeting of the Council was held on September 10th. The Council members remembered the following in prayer: Ken Hilmer, for Sarah's Mother in Law, Roseanne Emery, for Norma Courtney and for Teresa Courtney as their health battles continue. We remember Vicki as she goes through therapy to heal her voice, and for her friend Uma as she undergoes cancer therapy. We pray for June's son-in-law Mike Leonard with the loss of his brother, and for Gema while she struggles with the nerve issues behind her ear.

Devotions were shared from Isaiah 43:1 and Luke 10:20. The first gives us reassurance! Come back home, you belong! An encouragement / Renewal of Life! The second, that we ought to remember the significance of the claim that we are held in Heaven by the Father.

<u>Visions for Ministry</u>: The Council continues reading "The Future Starts Now." We talked about Chapter 6; A New Way of Doing. The authors encouraged the use / expand the talents that people already own. Take the time to get to know people. What motivates people, what is their passion? No set plan?! How do you minister without one? Slight adjustments to the flow may make huge alterations. Allow patterns to influence us,...or get stuck in the same pattern? Council will read the Afterword and consider the questions for our next meeting.

Reports were received from the Financial Secretary and the Treasurer. Please continue to give generously.

<u>Christian Education:</u> Lori V. intends to start thinking about a Sunday School class with children.

<u>Evangelism/Outreach</u>: We are enjoying getting to know Malachai! He is getting out in the community, working with ESL, Interfaith, etc.

<u>Finance</u>: Motion made to ratify the recommendations from the Disney Endowment Fund.

<u>Property:</u> Kitchen floors & front step materials are in and will be installed soon. We will also be making a change from Century Link to Cox for our internet service.

<u>Service/Social Ministry:</u> OTOC Training and weekly gatherings at Urban Abbey. See postings on the bulletin board. God's Work Our Hands – 17 volunteers participated in the neighborhood cleanup. Looking forward to the picnic! October 3, there will be a fundraiser for the one & only hospital that treats Palestinians in east Jerusalem.

Support/Stewardship: 5 videos & teaching moments, to begin in November.

<u>Worship:</u> Thanksgiving Eve service, invitation to worship with First Lutheran. Christmas Eve – considering a joint service at St Lukes!

<u>Unfinished Business:</u> No new report.

New Business: No new report.

<u>Announcements:</u> Pastor will be out all next week to visit with extended family in Cincinnati. Theological Conference with Malachai in Kearney, third week of October. Arlone will bring treats for our October meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

**GENEROUSLY** 

Welcome to the Living Generously journey!

Beginning the first Sunday in November we will see a family take risks, experience suffering, doubt and joy. Moreover, we will see what happens when this family chooses to embrace a generous life in the midst of uncertainty. And like them, we will be invited into a transformational process.

Living Generously is our Stewardship Emphasis for 2014/15.

Continued...

The Council and I have been reading the book "The Future Starts Now." In the last chapter, "A New Way of Doing," the authors begin by saying "Jesus has taught the principles of living and working together in a renewable way: Be who you

are and see what you have for the sake of doing what matters to God." The challenge we have is doing what matters not just doing something, anything.

I think that we did something that matters as we walked the neighborhood on Sunday, September 7. Our effort for "God's Work. Our Hands." exhibited care for the environment as we picked up trash that accumulates along the streets of our immediate neighborhood. We also extended an open invitation to our neighbors to come and enjoy a meal together as the body of Christ.

The authors later in the chapter state, "You will be way more fruitful if, instead of spending time developing detailed plans, you figure out a way to get people on the ground working together to do what matters." I see this play out in many different ways. A person or a group gathers to plan an event but instead of meeting sixteen times before doing something, they meet once and assign people to do this or that and in the doing the event quickly takes on ownership and action.

The authors suggest a model for action called the 4-D Cycle. The steps in the cycle are Discover, Decide, Do, Debrief. This is not a linear action but a loop model. This means that sometimes it may be as above or it may be Decide, Discover, Do, Debrief or some other order. They go so far as to suggest that this model may be best considered a dance step that as one does it time and time again a rhythm develops and action becomes a fluid motion.

I believe we are making strides toward this fluid motion. I think we still have some places where we struggle to get the steps to flow in motion. I am not discouraged. I think God is leading us toward the ministry that God wants to see happen here.

I am delighted that we are talking together about what God is doing. I am glad to hear us raise the question, "What do I hear God calling us to do?" and "What is God already doing here?"

I like what the authors say at the end of the chapter. "Life demands that you participate with things as they unfold, to expect to be surprised, to honor the mystery of it, and to see what emerges." This is a process and where it leads is yet unknown but it is an exciting journey.

Thank you for being engaged in the journey. I trust God leads us to be who we are and see what we have for the sake of doing what matters to God.

Pastor Laaker

Augusta Victoria Hospital in Jerusalem provides medical services regardless of religious or political affiliation. The Gaza Humanitarian Assistance Potluck Fundraiser will take place Friday, October 3rd from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 13271 Millard Avenue. Short videos about Augusta Victoria



Hospital will be shown and a brief update on Gaza will be presented. Elbasha Restaurant and local Palestinian families will provide food; however you are also welcome to bring drinks or food to share.

If you cannot attend the fundraiser but would like to donate, please mail a check payable to Lutheran World Federation or to Grace Lutheran Church (in the memo line, write "Gaza Humanitarian Assistance") to:

Grace Lutheran Church 1326 South 26th Street Omaha, NE 68105

Any questions, please feel free to contact one of the following: Pastor Laaker, 402-672-0241 e-mail: damon@laaker.com Naser Z. Alsharif, PharmD, PhD, 402-280-1857 e-mail: nalshari@creighton.edu

For additional information please visit: www.elca.org/our-work/relief-and-development/lutheran-disaster-response/our-impact/gaza



Yet give attention to your servant's prayer and his plea for mercy, Lord my God. Hear the cry and the prayer that your servant is praying in your presence this day.

1 Kings 8:28

Those we pray for named below are members unless otherwise specified:

### Individuals listed below have ongoing health issues and concerns:

Andrew Edwards James Harrahill David Hufford Carolyn Matson Robert Moss Cheryl Powley Lori Vasquez



Sandy Fitzgerald Ken Hilmer Sharon Irwin LaVonne Moss Don Olson Margie Sutej Urbano Vasquez

Norma Courtney (Arlone Farber's Mom.)

Bob Hargis (Jerry and Marilyn Van Ormer's son-in-law.)

Christian Barajas (Samantha Trejo, Angela & Alex Everitt's brother.)

Pam Reents (Close friend to many!)

Roseanna Emery (Tom Emery's Mom.)

The family of Bobby Heesacker (June Hilmer's nephew.)

# Pray for wisdom for your Church Council here at Grace Lutheran Church.

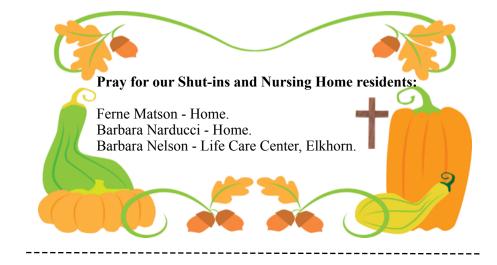
Pray for the Council Members. Ask God to bless their ministry among us. Pray for strength and spiritual wisdom for the leaders in the local church and the Nebraska Synod:

Pastor Damon Laaker, Grace Lutheran Church Bishop Brian Maas, Nebraska Synod Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, ELCA Bishop

Pray for the Sudanese community in general. David Nange, John Boato and Charles Tuw are the elders for the Sudanese Worshiping Community.

Let's encourage each other as we see God's hand in answering our prayers.







Prayer Service Wednesday October 15, 2014 7:00 p.m.

An inspiring and quiet experience in meditation, light music, and a deeper connection within God's presence, peace, and love.

> Grace Quilters for Lutheran World Relief

Monday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Join a lively group of people and assemble amazing tie quilts for Lutheran
World Relif organization. These quilts are delivered around the world to areas most in need of a little comfort. Please feel free to stop by

comfort. Please feel free to stop by check out the activity. Coffee break and joke time is 10:00 a.m.; another opportunity in fellowship with one another. No experience is necessary!

A little over two months ago, I had recently finished my last classes needed to officially graduate from Xavier University. I had closed one chapter of my life and was preparing to begin a new one. Little did I know what this new chapter would have in store for me. I was happy to be finished with college and confidently step into a bright, yet unknown future.

Being a Lutheran Volunteer Corps volunteer has been a huge desire of mine for several reasons. It would give me a chance to challenge myself in ways that I knew could help me grow as a person. I would get the opportunity to serve and help people in a new environment. I would also get the chance to worship from a different faith perspective than my own or one with which I was familiar.

Being at Grace has permitted me the chance to speak with other groups who are working in the community. I hope to be able to ally myself and Grace with these efforts to improve the community. I have already had conversations with Stephen Stout of Helping Hands, Christian Gray of InCommon, and Heidi Sampson of The Beautiful Gate regarding their efforts. I work with Families in Action to aid in watching children of parents participating in Zumba classes. I have begun teaching chess to youth interested in learning how to play. I also get to assist during the ESL (English Second Language) classes on Saturdays with helping Hispanics improve on their English skills (I feel I have learned more about the rules of English than anything).

What does this church need to thrive and continue to build strong ties with the community in which it resides? This is what I feel my job challenges me to figure out. The warm, welcoming nature of the people at Grace has help me immensely get acclimated to my role and to being relocated in Omaha. I enjoy each day at my job and feel blessed to have an opportunity to work with such dedicated people. Let's continue to fellowship and work together to improve this church body and its surrounding community.

Malachi Black Lutheran Volunteer Corps Community Outreach Associate

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# Signs and Wonders





via Pastor Dean Jurgen

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# Grace Lutheran Church ESL (English as a Second Language) Classes Saturdays 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. 402-341-7730



Do you know anyone searching for the opportunity to learn the English language? Please direct them here at Grace. Every Saturday morning they would be greeted with a smile and very helpful tutors to start their education in one of the most difficult languages to learn as a second language.

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And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

2 Corinthians 9:8

- Thank you to Marilyn and Jerry Van Ormer for their dedication in tending the plants in the entry way, they continue to thrive and look welcoming.
- Thank you to the ESL tutors; Vicki Cox, Arlone Farber, Mary Laaker, and Amanda Vazquez, for making connections with the students willing to learn and form friendships.
- Thank you to Jerry and Marilyn Van Ormer, Greg and Janet Hula and Christi Edwards; who pick up altar flowers every Sunday morning.
- Thank you to the crew from Prince of Peace who are taking on the role of lawncare this summer.
- Thank you to Ron and Donna Adrian and Brenda Spahr who take care of the altar, and prepare the communion table.
- Thank you Alma for taking over the responsibility of cleaning this busy building, it looks fantastic!





Virginia McGill, MA Executive Director Gema C. Wolde Community Health Worker Se habla espanol.

www.familiesinactionomaha.org

Zumbathon By:



The Nebraska Methodist Mobile Diabetic Clinic Will be providing free screenings and education via Interfaith Health Service at Saint Francis Church (32 and K Streets) On OCTOBER 29TH from 5:00pm to 9:00pm

Please join us for FREE:
Flu shots
Glucose Check
Cholesterol check
Blood pressure screening

We are grateful for our partnership with Nebraska Methodist College, their Nursing students and Faculty members, and welcome all to attend!

#### **GRATIS**

Methodista Mobile Clinica / Mobile Diabetes Center Estará en el Grupo de ejercicios MIERCOLES 29 DE OCTUBRE 2014 en la iglesia St Francis Assisi a las 5:00-9:00pm.

Gratuitamente los proporcionara.

La vacuna de la gripa
Chequeo de Colesterol
Chequeo de la azúcar (Glucosa)
Chequeo de la presión arterial

#### **Project Hope News**

Project Hope has officially outgrown their current location and are in the process of moving to Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church. Moving activities will begin at 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and begin with packing on Wednesday, October 8th, 9th and 10th. On the 10th and 11th will include moving boxes to the new location at 6201 N. 60th Street. Saturday, October 11th, Move shelving and reassemble. October 13th & 14th will be preparing the new location for the new opening on Wednesday, October 15th.

If you can help with any of the above mentioned activities, please call Lori Lindberg at 402-453-7649. Thank you!

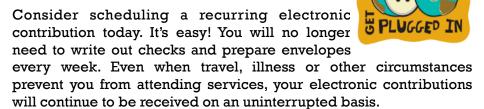
# Lutheran South Pantry 4401 South 23rd Street 402-502-7070



Items that clients cannot purchase with their food stamps are always appreciated: Dish Soap, Kleenex, Bar Soap, Deodorant, Toothbrush and toothpaste, Shaving Cream, Razors, Mouthwash (without alcohol), Feminine hygiene products, Hair products (combs, brushes, picks), Bathroom tissue, Shampoo, Dry Laundry Soap, Can Openers, Diaper wipers, and Diapers, especially sizes 4, 5, 6 and pull-ups.

We always need paper or plastic bags.

# Electronic Giving is a convenient, consistent way to help our church year round.



Get started today! Ask for an authorization form in the church office.

# October 2014



- 5 Mary Laaker
- 12 Greg Hula
- 19 Arlone Farber
- 26 Lori Vasquez

Nov. 2 - Malachi Black



October Ushers
Ron Adrian
Jerry Van Ormer
Vicki Cox
Andrew Edwards



- 1 Kym Bauer
- 7 June Hilmer
- 10 Clayton Hanson
- 11 Jonah Laaker
- 16 Tom Emery
- 22 Moses Nyiwe
- 23 Omaima Lado
- 24 Donavan Halfhill
- 27 Lori Vasquez Jadyn Vazquez
- 29 Andrea Spahr

Did we miss your birthday? Please contact the church office and let us know!





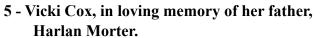
# **Greeters**

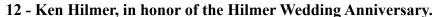
- 5 Mary Laaker and Sarah Emery
- 12 June Hilmer and Gloria Moore
- 19 Ralph Fitle and Vicki Cox
- 26 Ron and Donna Adrian

Nov. 2 - Bob and LaVonne Moss

# Responsibility List

# **Altar Flowers**





- 19 Ron and Donna Adrian, in honor of their grandson, Jack's birthday.
- 26 Brenda Spahr, in honor of her daughter, Andrea's birthday.

Nov. 2 - OPEN.

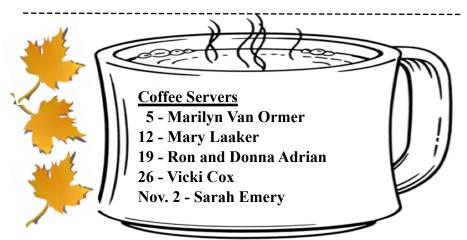
Flower Pick-Up for October - Jerry and Marilyn Van Ormer

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# **Backpack Program**

- 5 Jerry and Marilyn Van Ormer, in honor of their great-granddaughter, Amelia's first birthday.
- 12 OPEN.
- 19 Ron and Donna Adrian, in honor of their grandson, Jack's birthday.
- 26 Eva Martin, in honor of her great-grandson, Donavan, and her granddaughter, Andrea's birthdays.

Nov. 2 - OPEN.





### **OTOC - Omaha Together One Community**

Governor and Unicameral Candidates Accountability Session on Monday, October 6th at 7:00 p.m. First United Methodist, 7020 Cass Street. Find out where candidates stand on key issues including:

- ~ Reforming Nebraska Medicaid to include more working families;
- ~ Improving Access to Mental Health care for families;
- ~ Providing treatment mentally ill prisoners and help with re-entry;
- ~ Allowing drivers licenses to young adult Dreamers;
- ~ Assuring fairness to working families in state tax policies and adequate state funding for public education.

OTOC has invited major Candidates for:

Nebraska Governor - Chuck Hassebrook and Pete Ricketts

District 3 ~ Carol Blood and Tommy Garrett
District 4 ~ Bob Hilkeman and Stacy Ryan
District 6 ~ Joni Craighead and John Stalnaker
District 8 ~ Gwen Aspen and Burke Harr
District 12 ~ Greg Hosch and Merve Riepe
District 20 ~ Matt Lathrop and John McCollister

For questions, please contact OTOC at 402-344-4401 or at; omahatogether@otoc.org or go to their website at: otoc.org

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#### What is a CROP Walk?



CROP Walks raise money for local hunger fighting agencies as well as the international relief and CROP HUNGER WALL development efforts of Church World Service.

Founded in 1946, Church World Service is the relief, development, and refugee assistance ministry of 35 Protestant, Orthodox, and Anglican denominations in the United States. Working in partnership with indigenous organizations in more than 80 countries, CWS works worldwide to meet human needs and foster self-reliance.

Hungry people in developing countries typically walk as much as six miles a day to get food, water and fuel, and to take their goods to market. We walk in solidarity with their struggle for existence. We walk because we want to end hunger – one step at a time.

Last year, CROP walkers raised over \$6,905 for the Siena/Francis House, the Open Door Mission, and the Stephen Center. This year:

25% of our funds raised will help these same local programs, and 75% of our donations will assist people worldwide through Church World Service programs.

This year CROP is also collecting mittens, hats and scarves for the teens on the streets of Omaha through the Y.E.S. (Youth Emergency Services) Organization.

This year marks the 32<sup>nd</sup> Omaha Crop Walk. You can help make a difference in the lives of people locally and worldwide by sponsoring a walker or walking and getting sponsors. Please see Malachi to secure a walker donation envelope and begin securing pledges for the Omaha Walk on Sunday, October 12. As a sponsor, look for the donation envelopes that are placed on the back table in the sanctuary.

The walk begins 1:00 p.m. at the new location – Luther Memorial Church, at the corner of  $61^{st}$  and Western. Walkers may choose from 1, 2.5 or 5 mile routes.

Sign outside So. Seminole Church of Christ, Winter Park, FL:
"Worry won't prevent tomorrow's griefs,
but it will prevent today's joys."

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Grace Lutheran Church
Halloween Party
October 24, 2014
1326 South 26th Street
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
402-341-7730



Plans are underway for this year's Halloween Party. Please look over the list below and help where you can, as always your help is graciously appreciated and needed.

# Items needed for the Halloween Party:

Costume Contest will be judged in three different categories: scariest, funniest, and most creative. First and second place prizes are needed in each category. Prizes should cost around \$3.00 to \$6.00 each, and be something that can be used for Halloween, or have a Halloween theme.

#### Game Prizes:

Hundreds of trinkets for carnival games. Candy for carnival games. Dum-dum suckers for the "Lollipop Tree" Bottles of 2 liter pop for "Ring Toss" Cakes for the "Cake Walk" White Elephant give-aways for "Bingo".



#### Refreshment items:

3 large bags of Vic's popcorn. Dozens of cookies! Homemade or store bought, all are good! Bags of wrapped Halloween candy for treat bags. Cellophane holiday treat bags for popcorn and candy.

Money, a donation container will be placed on the table in the back of the sancturary each Sunday for your convenience.

Donated items should be placed in the Halloween Box in the upper fellowship hall.

Prayers are appreciated ~ please pray for a successful and entertaining evening for all!



Alegent Creighton Health, Visiting Nurse Association and Methodist Hospital are looking for interested individual in becoming Hospice volunteers. Hospice volunteers provide companionship and support for individuals living with terminal illnesses and their families. Volunteers choose the hours they are able to

serve and determine the geographical location in metro Omaha/Council Bluffs and surrounding areas. Volunteer education classes will begin in early October, please call Gina Binder at 402-930-4143 or Angela Wichita 402-354-3200 to request an application. Space is limited.

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Carol Joy Holling Camp will be celebrating their Fall Festival on Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 – 6:00 p.m. Come and enjoy an afternoon at Carol Joy Holling Camp! They will be having free fun for the whole family including boating, hiking, hayrack rides, ziplining and more! Save the date! For any additional information, please visit their website at caroljoyholling.org.



# Symphony Spooktacular

Sunday, October 26, 2014 @ 2 PM at the Holland Performing Arts Center. We've even added a bit of wonder this year with local magician Keith West assisting the Omaha Symphony for this concert. You will hear music from Beetlejuice, The Nightmare Before Christmas, Jaws, Pirates of the Caribbean and much more. Before the concert we invite all the children out to our lobby Instrument Petting Zoo, where they can play trumpets, trombones, violins, etc.

Now, here is the best part... put together a group of 10 or more (children and adults), and I can get you tickets for just \$10 each (normally \$15 each)! This event is open seating, so you can sit in the box seats, front row, aisle seats ... where ever you wish.

If you are interested, please contact David M. Johnson, at 402-342-3836, ext. 121.

## **Acolyte Training**



There will be Acolyte Training session on Sunday October 5th following worship service. Anyone interested in learning how to support the worship service on Sunday mornings, please plan to stay for training. Cannot make the session on October 5th? Speak with Brenda for a time more convenient for vou. If you have any questions regarding all the duties

of an acolyte, feel free to ask Andrea Spahr, Brenda Spahr or Pastor Laaker. Hope to see a few folks for training!

Confirmation Classes are now in session every Confirmation Class Wednesday from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in a partnership with St. Matthew's, Augustana, St. Luke's, Bethel, and Shepherd of the Hills. Classes from October 1st through the 22nd will be held here at Grace, where Pastor Laaker will lead classes. Topics will include; "Does God still create stuff today?", "Am I really supposed to believe Mary was a virgin?", "Why did



Jesus go to Hell?", and "What does it mean to be 'born again'?"

Classes from October 29th through November 19th will be held at Augustana Lutheran Church (3647 Lafayette Avenue). Pastor Jan Peterson will lead classes. Topics include; "Is the Holy Spirit a person or wind or fire or what?" "Why do we say we believe in 'the holy catholic church' if we're not Catholic?", "Do cremated people go to heaven?" and "Can you accept the theory of evolution and still be a Christian?" There will be no classes on November 26th in honor of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Is your child entering the sixth grade? Your household did not receive an invitational letter into Confirmation Classes? They are ready for Confirmation Class! Please call the office and speak with Pastor Laaker to enroll your child today.

# Stewardship Humor

An imaginative inventor has designed a new offering plate for churches. The ingenious invention receives gifts of a dollar or more on a plush cushion with silent graciousness. But when half-dollars are dropped in, it rings a bell; when quarters are given, it blows a whistle; when dimes are slipped in, it fires a shot. But when someone refuses to give, it takes their picture.

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# Buy Your 2015 God's Creation Calendar!

The Calendars have been ordered and will be ready for purchase soon! Calendars are open for everyone, if you would like to purchase a copy, please call the church office at 402-341-7730.



Calendars include beautiful monthly scenic photography enhanced with inspiring Scriptures from the Holy Bible. High-quality, heavy-weight stock with gloss coated photo pages and ample space to write appointments and family events.

Same Great Price ~ Only \$5.00



### Ted E. Bear Hollow 8th Annual Comfort Food Classic

Sunday, October 12, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. Ramada Plaza Convention Center 72nd and Grover

Six chefs compete to create the most unique BBQ dish. You will be able to eat and judge in this delicious competion.

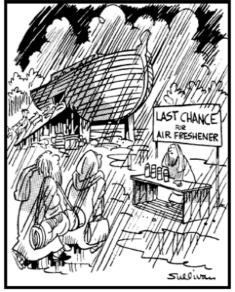
For additional information or to buy your tickets, go to TedEBearHollow.org or call the office at 402-502-2773.

1 in 7 children in the United States will lose either a parent or a sibling by the time they are 20. Ted E. Bear Hollow currently provides free grief support services to approximately 700 kids and caregivers each year. Many of them coming for multiple programs.

# **Essential Pregnancy Services**

Prenatal and Newborn Care classes are offered for any expectant parent on Wednesday evenings and Friday mornings. Classes are free and clients earn free baby items for attending. These classes are continuly going on so enrollment is always open. For more information, please call EPS Bellevue Center at 402-933-2988.

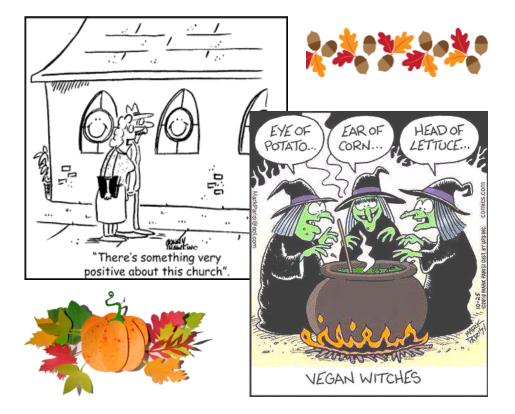




"My sermon this week is about reconciling science and faith."

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What would you get if you crossed a vampire and a teacher? ~ Lots of blood tests!

Why did Dracula's mother give him cough medicine? ~ Because he was having a coffin fit.

Why wasn't there any food left after the monster party? ~ Cos everyone was a goblin.

Dracula decided he needed a dog, which breed did he choose? ~ A bloodhound.

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