

Springs of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA)

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Our Ash Wednesday Service, March 1st, will be a combined service with St. Margaret's and will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Our Wednesday spirituality and prayer support group, our "**Link Between Sundays**," which normally meets at 7:00 pm at RoseCrest will not meet during Lent. Everyone is encouraged to attend our Lenten services on Wednesday's at 7:00 to be held at RoseCrest in the atrium.



It has been suggested that our monthly WELCA meetings be held at members' homes instead of at St. Margaret's. Our meeting last month was quite crowded in the church office and it was quite chilly in the connector. If you have any thoughts on this suggestion, please call Wendi at 578-2221 or Evelyn at 473-0753. Our next meeting will be on March 6th at 7:00 p.m. Location to be announced.

Our **Adult Sunday School** class will be meeting in the vestry room today and until further notice. The vestry room is to the right of the entry doors and in the back of the sanctuary. Will you volunteer to make coffee and provide refreshments? Instructions are available! Please sign-up on the form available in this Sunday School room.

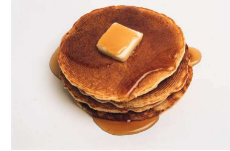
Congratulations to Amy and Keith on the birth of their baby boy. Andrew was delivered on Monday, February 20th and weighed nine pounds and one ounce. Mother and baby went home on Thursday and are both doing fine.



The future site of Springs of Grace is located at 5491 Highway 9.

Just past the new schools where Holden Drive and Highway 9 intersect

Pray for the vision to Fashion the Future Together in Christ As We Live Together in God's Amazing Grace.



This Tuesday, February 28th, St. John's Lutheran Church will be hosting the **Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**.

Starting at 6:00 p.m., the meal consists of pancakes, bacon, syrup (regular and Lite), orange juice, hot coffee or ice tea. The cost is \$4 for adults, \$2 for children 12 years and under. Families of any size can eat for a total of \$12. Tickets will be available at the door.

Master of ceremonies Don Frank will begin the program after the meal (approximately 6:50 p.m.). Each participating church (St. John's, Holy Communion, Joy, Springs of Grace) is responsible for a 15 minute portion of the program. We will be offering the raised voices of a barbershop quartet named Collage for our portion of the program.

Please make plans to attend the Supper and show your support for our congregation, as well as share in an evening of fellowship with our sister congregations.

All council members are asked to volunteer their services for the **Pancake Supper**, whether it be helping to set up (begins at 4:30 p.m.) or clean up. St. John's members will handle the kitchen duties as they are the most familiar with their facilities.

Please remember to keep St. Margaret's and Springs of Grace in your prayers and also Father Alan and Pastor Newell. Especially remember our military forces around the world and, also all those whose names are not known to us at this time. Nancy Elliott will be having surgery on Monday in Winston-Salem and we wish her well and pray for the success of her procedure.



Our **2006 Flower Calendar** no longer has many empty spaces.

Thank you for filling so many dates! Giving the gift of flowers really enhances our Sunday service. The flower

calendar is outside our office in the connector. If you wish to make a flower donation, please pick a date and place your \$17.00 gift in the collection basket on Sunday. Please note the intent of your donation on the envelope. Thank you.

HELP IS NEEDED! WOULD YOU AND YOUR FAMILY LIKE TO HELP? Now that our fine looking sign has been installed we need to have SOMEONE put a message on it! You can pick up the letters at the church and you are encouraged to create your own inspirational, inviting, creative message on it. For further information, please contact Evelyn at 473-0753. Thank you for prayerfully considering this outreach for Springs of Grace.

February 19, 2006

ATTENDANCE - 33

OFFERING -

Budget Fund - \$ 644.00

Flowers - 153.00

TOTAL \$ 797.00

A REMINDER TO EVERYONE: (I KNOW THAT THE 8:30 A.M. SERVICE IS DIFFICULT FOR EVERYONE); HOWEVER, in order for each of us to receive a full hour of worship, beginning immediately, the announcements for Springs of Grace will begin at 8:25 a.m. If there are any announcements that ANYONE would like to have made at that time, please call Gere or Gail prior to the Saturday before the worship and we will try our best to include them. As always, any questions, please call Gere Ablett, President or Gail Hackett, Vice-President.

--- **Thanks from Gere**

A woman had been teaching her three-year old daughter the Lord's Prayer. For several evenings at bedtime, she would repeat after me the lines from the prayer. Finally, she decided to go solo. The mother listened with pride as little Catlin carefully enunciated each word right up to the end of the prayer: "Lead us not into temptation," she prayed, "but deliver us from E-mail."

Our Women's Fellowship group received a thank you in the mail this week from Charlie Company, see their photo below, thanking us for the packages we sent at Christmas. (This Engineer Battalion is from Spartanburg and is stationed at Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan.) It reads as follows:

During the holiday season, you donated time and support to help make the soldiers of C/391 Engineer Battalion feel the warmth and gratitude for participating in the Global War on Terrorism while stationed in Afghanistan. Your patriotism and kindness is greatly appreciated. Please accept our company's photograph as a small token of our appreciation.

--- John A. Coppola, CPT, EN, Commanding



Please call Evelyn at 473-0753 if you wish to have information put in the Parish Paper or if you have any comments or suggestions.