



a place for you

Children, Youth & Family Ministry

If you're unfamiliar with our church, some of what you learn may surprise you. Regardless of age, race, or status in life, we welcome you to join this vibrant congregation. With deep roots in the Protestant Reformation of the 16th century, the ELCA is a community of faith that shares a passion for making positive changes in the world. Our faith is built around a strong belief in God as made known to us in Jesus Christ. Through worship, service, and education, we practice our faith, grow our relationship with God and experience God's grace in our lives.



We work hard to put our faith into action. In today's complex world, we strive to make a difference in millions of practical, realistic ways all over the world.

With more than 10,000 congregations across the U.S., Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, and 4.2 million members—we welcome you to experience this church right in your community. Explore the ELCA through Grace Lutheran Church, and celebrate our gift of faith—with action.

To find out more: www.gracepa.org or www.elca.org

WHY SUNDAY SCHOOL?

- a *fun* place for you and your child to develop meaningful relationships
- a place for spiritual development
- resources to address your child's questions about God
- a healthy and safe place to belong that is a support community as you move through life
- equip your child with tools to find their spiritual way into adulthood
- a place to build a family tradition of service towards neighbor



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Sunday School Overview 2014-2015

- September 7 **Rally Sunday** BBQ lunch and celebration at noon in the courtyard.
- October 24 **JamBOOree** Friday | 6-9 pm
Potluck Dinner • Trick or Treat House • Games/ Prizes • Haunted House • Costume Parade
- October 26 **Reformationfest** Sunday Worship & Festival (after the 10:45 am worship service)
Games • Lunch • Root Beer • Activities for all ages!
- November 23 **Advent Festival** Sunday (after the 10:45 am worship service)
Crafts • Lefse • Lunch • All Free Family Fun!!
- December 14 **Sunday School Christmas Program** | 9:30 am
Between Services, Children will rehearse during Sunday School in the weeks leading up to the program.
- March 6-8 **Elementary Retreat @ Mt. Cross** | Grades 3-5
A fun and faith filled weekend at Mt. Cross Lutheran Camp in the Santa Cruz Mountains! We took a great group last year and had a blast.
- March 29 **Palm Sunday** Walk to the Park & Singing
- April 5 **Easter, Eater Breakfast, Easter Egg Hunt**
- May 17 **Last Day of Regular Sunday School**
We do plan to have Summer Sunday School again this summer with more fun food, faith and maybe even some fun faith and science experiments!
- July 6-10, 2015 **Day Camp**
9 am - 3 pm week long Bible adventure!

Life Together: Wednesdays at Grace

▼ 6:00 - 6:45 pm | *Children's Choir-Grades 1-8*

Choir is not just for little kids! We focus on music reading, worship leadership, vocal development, part singing, and music literature appropriate for their stage of development, and sometimes play musical games. The children's choir sings in church about once a month.

▼ 6:30 pm | *Dinner*

Bring yourself for \$5 or your whole family for \$20 . . . the best deal in town. Don't worry about cooking, cleaning or shopping for dinner, we have you covered! Plus your family will get to enjoy quality time with other children and families at Grace. We'll conclude the meal with a time of prayer, then move to the evening's activities.

▼ 7:00 - 8:00 pm | *Elementary Youth*

This weekly gathering for elementary ages helps build faith and relationships.

▼ 7:00 - 8:00 pm | *Confirmation*

A three-year faith development program for children in sixth - eighth grades.

▼ 7:00 - 8:30 pm | *Youth Group*

A weekly gathering of high school youth.