

Grace Lutheran Church

3010 52nd St. Des Moines, Iowa 50310



The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Youth Service

February 3, 2012

8:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

The Mission of Grace Lutheran Church is to bring the good news of God's saving grace, through Jesus Christ's life, death and resurrection to all to be free to be the people of God.

Welcome to Worship at Grace Lutheran Church

Companion Congregation: Msindo Parish in Tanzania

***Welcome!** Please sign the Attendance Registrations sheets which are found in each pew. Visitors, please also sign the guest book at the Welcome Center, and please join us for coffee and education hour activities between services.*

***Large print bulletins** are available from the ushers.*

***A nursery is available** if your children become restless during the service. Heather Nelson or another daycare staff member will be the attendant each Sunday morning. If there is no one in the nursery, check in the daycare office. The service is also broadcast in the Gathering Hall.*

***Communion** – We welcome all people to the Lord's table to receive Holy Communion. Children not instructed are invited to come forward for a blessing. If you are not able to come forward to take communion, please notify an usher before the service. Then try to sit by the side aisle and the pastor will commune you in your pew.*

***When by intinction:** Receive the host (wafer), then dip the host into the chalice (cup) to receive wine (red) or grape juice (clear); depart by the side aisle. Gluten free wafers and a separate glass chalice are available by request on the pulpit side (left when facing altar).*

***When by pouring chalice:** Receive a cup. Receive and eat the bread. Proceed to the wine or grape juice. If you would prefer to have grape juice, take a rose colored glass from the inner ring of the tray; grape juice will be in the outer most chalice on both sides. Communion bread is gluten free.*

***A Stephen Minister** is available in the upper room between services for people who need a listening ear, encouragement and prayer support.*

Prelude

“Jesus Loves Me” by William Bradbury

All Youth

Please prepare for worship through quiet reflection and meditation

Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We seek our own way. We divide the body of Christ. In your mercy, cleanse us and heal us. Let the words of our mouths, the thoughts of our hearts, and everything that we do be filled with faith, hope, and love. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Hymn

“Hallelujah” by Leonard Cohen, arr. by Rachel Kurtz.

Jennie Wonderlin, piano

The youth will sing the verses and the congregation is invited to join on the refrain. Refrain: Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelu-jah.

Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Kyrie

Liturgist: Youth Choir

The congregation sings the refrain only

Refrain



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.



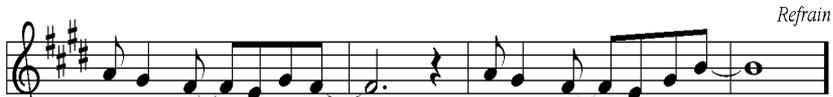
1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the



u-ni-ty of all; for
hun-gry and the poor; that
friends and fam-i-ly; for
wa-ter and the word; that you



this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus-tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Refrain

Canticle of Praise

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-t'ry for our God, for the



Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be

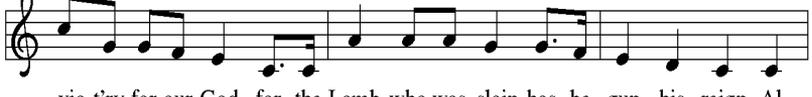


peo-ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

Refrain



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. This is the feast of



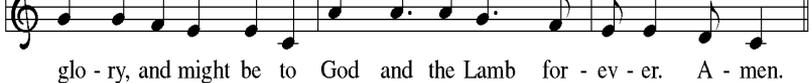
vic-t'ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al -



le - lu - ia. 2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - t'ry for our God, for the
Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

C: Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

Please be seated

First Lesson: Jeremiah 1:4–10

God calls Jeremiah to be a prophet and consecrates him in the womb. Jeremiah's task is to preach God's word in the midst of the difficult political realities of his time, before the Babylonian exile. He is to make God known not only to Judah, but also to the nations.

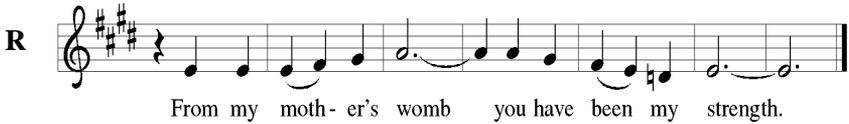
⁴Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, ⁵"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." ⁶Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." ⁷But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD."

⁹Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

L: the Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm: Psalm 71:1–6



¹In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

²**In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; incline your ear to me and save me.**

³Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; you are my crag and my stronghold.

⁴**Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor. R**

⁵For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, my confidence since I was young.

⁶**I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you. R**

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 12: 12 -31

Many Members, One Body (*From the Spark Story Bible*)

Apostles like Paul stayed very busy telling as many people as possible about Jesus and his love for them. Sometimes Paul traveled to share the good news in person. Sometimes he sent letters to teach his friends more about what it meant to be Christian. Together, they were part of a new family of people who believed in Jesus. Paul wrote this message to Christians who lived in the city of Corinth. He wanted to help them understand how special the church was, including everyone in it. “The church is like a human body. One body has many different parts, but it’s still one body. We are many different kinds of people, but we’re still one body of believers. If a foot said, ‘Because I’m not a hand I’m not a part of this body’ that would be silly! It would still be a part of the body.

And if the whole body was an eye, how could it hear or smell? That’s silly too! God made our bodies to have lots of parts, and each part has something special to do. God made all of our parts to work together!

The body of believers is the same. “God has given each of you special things to do. Some of you travel to share the new about Jesus, and some you teach right where you live. Some of you heal the sick or become church leaders. Is everyone a teacher? Is everyone a leader? No, that would be silly too. God made us to be different and to do different

things to show our love for Jesus. Just like the different parts of one body, we all have different talents and we all work together. God has made each of us very special!”

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Children’s Sermon

Anthem

“Amazing Grace” arr. Douglas E. Wagner
Youth Bells

Please stand as you are able

Gospel Acclamation

C:



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the Fourth Chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: Luke 4:14–21

Near the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, he visits his hometown of Nazareth. In the words of Isaiah, he states and claims his identity, purpose, and mission.

¹⁴Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵He

began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. ¹⁶When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: ¹⁸"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, ¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." ²⁰And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." ²¹Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." ²²All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" ²³He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" ²⁴And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. ²⁵But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; ²⁶yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. ²⁷There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." ²⁸When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. ²⁹They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. ³⁰But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Sermon

Please stand as you are able

Hymn

"Amazing Grace"

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Adam Dostalík, piano

Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

L: Lord in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your loving hands, gracious God, we place ourselves and all our prayers, spoken and unspoken, trusting in your mercy through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

All: God of love, have mercy on us. Pour out your Spirit upon us. Center us in worship. Hold us in grace. Strengthen us in love. Send us forth in mission. In Jesus' holy name. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all,

C: And also with you!

Please be seated

Announcements

The Offering

Offertory

"Let me Be Your Servant, Jesus" by Judith A. Helms
Youth Choir with Bev Anderson on piano

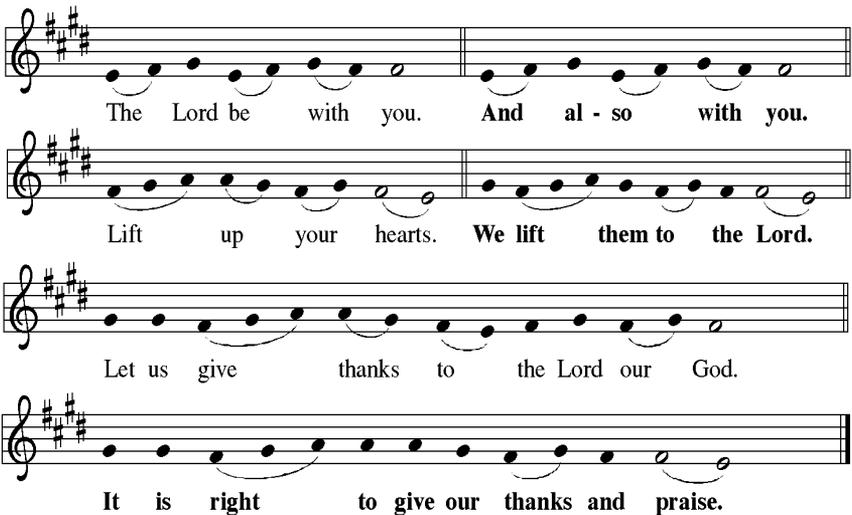
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Offering Prayer

P: Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface



Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

The first system of music features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of two flats. The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,"

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are: "ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,"

heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.

The third system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are: "heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry."

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The fourth system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est."

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

The fifth system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord."

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The sixth system concludes the piece with a double bar line. The lyrics are: "Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est."

Thanksgiving at the Table

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim our Lord's death until he comes.

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen**

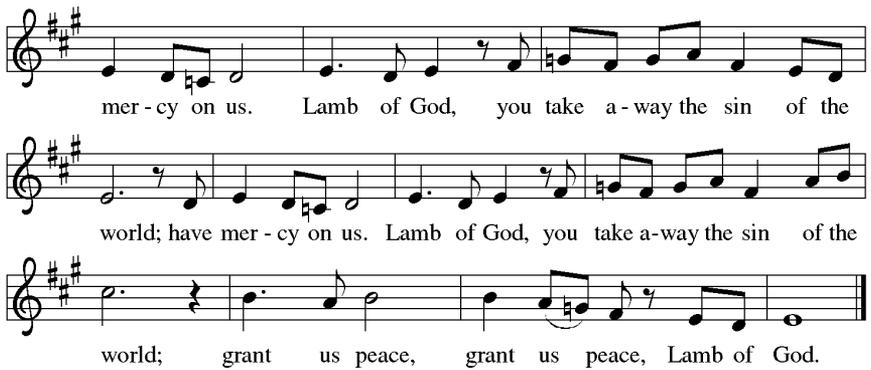
Invitation to Communion

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Come to the table prepared before you. Taste God's goodness and mercy.

Please be seated

Lamb of God





mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
 world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

Distribution Hymns: 483, 715, 359

Please stand as you are able

Prayer after Communion

P: We thank you, O God, that you have fed us at your banqueting table with bread and wine beyond compare, the very life of Christ for us. Send your Spirit with us now, that we may set the captive free, use your gifts to build one another up, and in everything reflect your glory revealed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn "Make a Difference" arr. by Rachel Kurtz

The youth will sing the verses and the congregation is invited to join on the refrain. Refrain: I want my life to make a difference. I want my life to make a change. I want my life to do some good here. I want my life to make a change.

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"Ode to Joy by Beethoven"
Kayleigh Medhurst, piano

arr. by Farber

Good Morning and Welcome to Grace!

Announcements and Calendar

In our prayers: LeRoi Beers, Lyle Black, Diane Jessen, and the others we name before you...

Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Amy and Ardis Schmelzer in memory of loved ones.

Quarters place in the offering plate this and every first Sunday are for Hunger.

A **Stephen Minister** is available in the upper room between services for people who need a listening ear, encouragement and prayer support.

Education Opportunities

Sunday School classes and **Adult Forum** meet at 9:30 after coffee time.

Adult Forum **February 3** – Beacon of Life – with Executive Director Keshia Meissner
 February 10 Valentine's Hymn Sing (Love songs from ELW) with Sherry Kocek and Rich Snyder

Adult Bible Study meets Tuesday mornings from 8:45–10:15a.m. in Grace Hall II. Tuesday evening Bible Study meets Tuesday evenings at 6 p.m. in the Gathering Hall. Pastor Mike leads both studies.



Feb 6: Dinner WILL be served! Come ready to eat!



The next **New Member Class** will meet Sunday Feb 10th from 1-2 p.m. in the Gathering Hall with Pastor Mike.

Wednesday night schedule changes

As we approach Lent, the Wednesday night schedule will change. Midweek Lenten worship begins with Ash Wednesday services on February 13. We won't hold Thursday night worship - join us for soup supper at 5 p.m. and informal worship with Holden Evening Prayer at 6:30 p.m.

Happy Birthday to: Jolene Wiegmann, William Marberry, Matt Farrell, Todd Ringgenberg, Andrew Trentmann, James Hoffman, Larry Nordeen, Karri Brandsfield, Leonard Larsen, Virginia Naney

You are invited to join: The book discussion groups reading the Good and Beautiful series have finished with the first book, The Good and Beautiful God, *Falling in Love with the God Jesus Knows* and are ready to move on to the second book, The Good and Beautiful Life, *Putting On the Character of Christ*. They would like to invite others to join them. The Tuesday evening group meets at 6:30 in Esperanza Chapel and will begin with the second book on February 5 while the Sunday group which meets at 9:30 will begin the second book on February 10. If interested contact Cherie Rissman or Julie Honsey.

Keep up with all the news at Grace! Are you receiving the weekly email newsletter? If not, please write your email address in the pew registration pad so we can add you to the list, or send a quick email to kbowerma@hotmail.com. And remember that you can *always* find current and past Sunday bulletins and Friendly Visitor newsletters online at gracedm.org.

Have you decided how you want to receive the Friendly Visitor yet? Don't miss out, let the office know right away! Your options include: Pickup, email a PDF version, notify by email to view on the website, or if none of the above works, we can mail **a few** by first class postage.



Would you enjoy helping to lead worship? Do you like to sing but can't commit to weekly choir rehearsals? Have you considered becoming a liturgist? The liturgist's role includes chanting the Kyrie, reading

the prayers, and assisting with Communion. It's a fun way of being engaged in the worship experience and gives you the opportunity to take a more active role in the worship life of this community. Training is provided. Interested, or have questions? See Pastor Mike. We would love to welcome you into that role!





ALTAR GUILD

Altar Guild has service opportunities available for 2013!

If you have ever thought about serving through this kind of ministry, now is the time. The duties include preparing the worship space with the appropriate banners, paraments, vessels, linens and elements used in the liturgy. The time commitment is typically an hour per week, in addition to attending one of the worship services. This is not limited to women! Please consider working as a team: husband/wife, parent/child. We will accept volunteers for one or two months of service, or even on a trial basis if needed. Please contact Sue Anderson (279-2690) or Gail Peterson (224-4514) with your questions or commitment.

“When we offer ourselves to serve at the altar, we offer ourselves to God as a living prayer.”
- Fran McKinney



The Lenten devotion sign-up for writers is ready! It is located at Volunteer Central. Thanks to all who will be enriching our Lenten journeys. See the sign-up sheet for more information.



Would you know what to do if a loved one or friend had a heart attack? Come and learn Friends and Family CPR Anytime on February 17, 2013, from 12:00-12:45 p.m. in Grace Hall. A sign-up sheet is in the Gathering Hall. There are a limited number of mannequins, so sign up soon. Also learn how to use our new Automated External Defibrillator (AED). Hope to see you there!

This week at Grace

SUNDAY, February 3

8:15 a.m. – Holy Communion

9:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship – Grace Hall

9:30 a.m. – Adult Forum, Education Hour, Brass Practice

9:30 a.m. – Stephen Minister in Upper Room

9:30 a.m. – Good and Beautiful God Book Discussion – Chapel

10:45 a.m. – Holy Communion

MONDAY, February 4

10:00 a.m. – Staff Meeting

1:00 – 3:00 p.m. VBS meeting

4:00 p.m. – TOPS

6:00 – 10:00 p.m. – AA in Grace Hall

TUESDAY, February 5

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer

8:45 – 10:15 a.m. – Bible Study in Grace Hall

6:00 p.m. – Evening Bible Study in Gathering Hall

6:00 p.m. – Good and Beautiful God book discussion – Café

6:00 p.m. – TOPS

6:30 – 9:00 p.m. – Knitters Guild

WEDNESDAY, February 6 (Final Super Wednesday)

9:00 a.m. – Willing Workers

4:30 p.m. – Grace Womens' Board

4:30 – 5:00 p.m. – Cherub Choir

4:30 – 5:00 p.m. – Youth Choir

5:00 – 6:00 p.m. – Supper

5:30 p.m. – Book Discussion

5:30 – 6:00 p.m. – Chapel Chimers (grade 3-5)

6:00 – 7:30 p.m. – High School Hangout, high school room

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Kids Hour

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Lectionary Study

6:00 – 6:30 p.m. – Youth Bells (grades 6-12)

6:30 p.m. – Brass Practice

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Confirmation

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Grace Bells

7:45 – 8:45 p.m. – Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, February 7

9:00 a.m. – Quilters

10:00 – 3:00 p.m. – First Circle Friends

6:00 – Men In Mission

6:30 p.m. – Holy Communion Evening Worship

SUNDAY, February 10

8:15 a.m. – Holy Communion

9:15 a.m. – Coffee & Fellowship – Grace Hall

9:30 a.m. – Adult Forum, Education Hour, Brass Practice

9:30 a.m. – Stephen Minister in Upper Room

9:30 a.m. – Good and Beautiful God Book Discussion – Chapel

10:45 a.m. – Holy Communion

1:00 p.m. - New Member Class

Welcome to Grace!

Ministers – The People of God

Pastor - Michael Schmidt

Director of Laity Ministries - Stephanie Johnson

Director of Music Ministries - Jennifer Wohlenhaus Bloomberg

Ensemble Director – Sherry Kocek

Grace Kids Care Director - Heather Nelson

Office Administrator - Jacquelyn Holmes

Office Assistant - Michelle Voelker

Pianist for Liturgy and Amazing Grace: Adam Dostalík

Ushers –8:15 Jessye Rissman, Bailey Woodruff, Christina Anderson,

Tanner Peeler 10:45 Riley Mortenson, Molly Riordan, Katie Farrell

Liturgist – 8:15 Youth Choir 10:45 Youth Choir

Lector – 8:15 Leslie Denton and Kayleigh Medhurst

10:45 Jennie and Ben Wonderlin

Children’s Sermon – McKenzie Carney, Jessica Rissman and Bailey Woodruff

Communion servers – 8:15 Leslie Denton, Natasha Voelker, Donna

Jordan Stephanie Johnson 10:45 Christina Anderson, Katie Farrell,

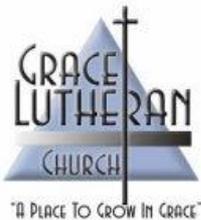
Jessica Russell, Nely Ruiz, Stephanie Johnson

Acolytes – 8:15 Paul Weaver, Megan Riordan 10:45 Ben Wonderlin, Yaritza Marquez

Altar Guild – Sue Anderson, Alice Kulzer

Counters – 8:15 Jeff Farrell and Chuck Denton 10:45 Alex Davik and Carter Woodruff

Coffee – Ross Peeler



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