

**Good Morning and Welcome to Grace!
Announcements for January 31, 2020**

Immediate Prayer Needs

The Family of Rosella Dingman, Bill Biegger, Tom Haugen (Todd Haugen and Kari Dostalík's Dad), Louie Anderson, LaRue Buihner, Marlene Schossow (mother of Beverly Russell), Vivian Swanson, Larry Weaverling

Ongoing Prayer Needs

Marilyn Anderson, Joy Averill, Jim Carlson (son of Ken and Eleanor Carlson), Sharon Curry, Leanne Davis, Rosella Dingman, Helen Fanning, Johnny Gronert, Arnold Johansen, Jennifer Johansen (Granddaughter of Dick Johansen), Joanne Johnson, Gene Krauss, Lucy Krauss, Eva Moravec (mother of Linda Moravec), Barbara Pasman (mother of Julie Honsey), Dana Roby, Tony (son of Linda Rundle), Barb Tussing, Elaine Westvold

We want to hear your prayer requests! Prayer, and praying for one another is an important part of the life of a community of faith. If you or a family member would like to be included in the prayer list above, email michelle@gracedm.org or if you would like to share your prayer needs privately with the Pastor only, email Pastor Mike mike@gracedm.org.

Happy Birthday! Maryena Petty-Lee, Larry Cramer, Sophia Royster, Dick Johansen, Kathlina Roat, Joplin Hutton, Jennie Elliff, William Marberry, Jolene Wiegmann, Todd Ringgenberg, Andrew Trentmann, Karri Brandsfield, James Hoffman, Larry Nordeen



Coffee time and Gathering

Sunday, January 31, 10:15 a.m. after worship, over Zoom.

It was so good to see everyone's faces the last few weeks!

This week, let's catch up and chat, no muting necessary! Grab a cup of coffee, tea, hot chocolate, and share some smiles! Find the Log in and Call in information on the third page of these announcements.

Holden Evening Prayer and Ash Wednesday

We will be celebrating Ash Wednesday and holding Wednesday Lenten Services during Lent. You will find more details about Ash Wednesday on page 4 of the February newsletter out later this week, and in other upcoming publications. Details include different ways to participate:

- Two opportunities for a Drive Through Imposition of Ashes - both prior to the evening service which will be broadcast live.
- An opportunity to pick up Ashes for use at home during the live, broadcast service.

For those who currently receive the weekly Worship Mailings, we will:

- Automatically mail you a copy of the Holden Evening Prayer service booklet.
- Mail you the Wednesday Lenten sermons either with the prior Sunday's mailing or separately.

For everyone worshipping along with the Live Broadcast

We would like to offer you a copy of the Holden Evening Worship booklet to use at home. Please email michelle@gracedm.org if you would like a copy. Please mention if you will be picking up Ashes for use at home, and if picking up the Lenten Study Materials. We will bundle everything together so you only need to make one trip.

Souper Bowl Sunday, February 7, 2021

For the past several years, led by Gail and Don Peterson and others, Grace has gathered cans of chili and soup to be donated to Hope Ministries in the weeks leading up to Super Bowl Sunday.

Since we are not meeting in person and have no place for the collection barrel, Grace Staff thought it would be amazing if we could manage to stuff the Little Free Pantry that weekend. Let's fill it with cans of soup, chili, broth, boxes of broth, and can openers! If you want to support Hope Ministries or other food pantries, we encourage you to do that as well!



Lenten Small Group Study [Dialogues On: Race](#)

If you are interested in being a part of this study contact Ellen (ellen@gracedm.org). The deadline to sign up is Feb. 1 so we can ensure materials arrive on time.

This Lent we are going to gather virtually for small group study around the topic of Race. In this course your small group will discuss various issues related to race. Each week, your group will spend time sharing perspectives on what you've read. You'll have time to explore your ideas as a group, and time to process your ideas with a partner. You'll work together to create an action plan that fits your context. Then you'll take all of that with you, into your jobs and homes and holiday dinners, and offer an alternative to conflict and division, you'll offer dialogues.

Each week's chapter is written by a different author, and includes a short video with several speakers. Some of the issues include: History and the Social Construct of Race; The Bible and Race in America; Anti-Blackness, Oppression, and the Dehumanization of Black Bodies; Christianity and the Erasing of Native American Stories; Race, Gender, and the Intersecting Nature of Oppression; American Religion in Black and White; The Problem with Racial Reconciliation. You can find more information by following the link above.

The cost is \$5 for the materials and groups will be via Zoom at a time to be determined by group leaders and members once groups are assigned. ***Do not let the cost of materials keep you from committing to be a part of this important conversation, there is money available to help cover the cost of materials.***

Times and dates are not yet set, and we will give groups some freedom in deciding when to meet but there will likely be a Wednesday evening and Sunday late morning/early afternoon option. Each group will begin the week of February 14 with a gathering and making of a covenant, and begin with the first of 7 chapters the week of February 21. We will break for Holy Week and Easter, then finish the final two chapters.



We Believe That...

Our street sign at Grace shows a weekly series of We Believe statements paired with a scripture reference that supports that statement. The current series is "We Believe Love is Love" and the current text is 1 Corinthians 13. Previous texts posted related to this belief were John 1 Galatians 3, 2 Samuel 1, and Romans 8.

We invite you to read and study along with us. Please contact the office if you have any questions or wish to discuss the reading.



Sunday Worship and Morning Prayer

Worship Materials are posted on our website and sent by enews on Thursday or Friday of each week. Worship will broadcast live on Sunday at 9:00 a.m. on our Facebook page and on the permanent Live Player on our website. In the "Welcome to Grace" section on the www.gracedm.org homepage, you will now see a red button "Online Worship". Click on that button to be taken to our Permanent Live Player page. This page will show a countdown to worship, and will start playing when worship goes live. We will also post a link to our Facebook page in the "Recent News" section on the www.gracedm.org homepage.

If you miss the service, watch it later! Go to the Resources Page <https://gracedm.org/resources/> and look for the bubble labeled "Recent Worship Videos."

Morning Prayer with Pastor Mike continues Monday through Friday on Facebook at 9:30 a.m.



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Zoom Topic: January Meetings

Time: Jan 31, 2021 10:15 AM

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Weekly:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZcodO6gqTMvG9LRjcLAz_0WCO1nB4FQ0q0K/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGrqzqtEtOdtRiBRpwqGYjCKPzwtlxYjfpXrhXmLwFJXVPBFc0TPJArNumA

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83537878516?pwd=bmxUNzZOdmINVG1mNHkwbE5wWitNZz09>

Meeting ID: 835 3787 8516

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