# Morning and Welcome to Grace! Announcements for February 16, 2025

#### **Immediate Prayer Needs**

Evie Zimmerman, Pam Sampel's Mother-in-Law Shyral Nelsen, Deanna Weber's Mother Ken Carlson

# **Ongoing Prayer Needs**

Ellen Batten, Amy Batten, Sandy Briggs, Lonnie Jessen, Dee Johnson, Brad Lint, Livia Ocken, Barb Powers, Ed Ridnour, Dana Roby, Tony - son of Linda Rundle, Karen Taylor, Deb Ubom

**Happy Birthday:** Heather Ashton, Gail Peterson, Ellen Mumm, Jessica Flannery, Allison Olson, Julie Stuckle

Happy Anniversary: Deanna and Michael Hummel, Linda and Jim Rundle, Janet and Norman Trentmann

Flowers on the altar glorify God and are given by Jenny Rehder in honor of Theodora Brown's birthday.

**Communion** – All communion wafers are gluten free. Find directions for communion in the bulletin margins.



Fellowship, Coffee, and Donut Holes in the Gathering Hall right after following worship.



#### **Education Hour options for Sunday, February 9 at 10:15 a.m.**

- Adults and Middle/High School students meet in Grace Hall, and are working through a study on the Book of Acts
- Elementary Sunday School. Meet in the Sunday School room across from the elevator on the office level.



## Bible Study has resumed, open to everyone!

We are currently working our way through Genesis.

We offer two options: Tuesdays in Grace Hall at 9 a.m., and Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. in room 102 downstairs.

**Clothing Drive Update:** THANK you for all that was donated – look for details in an upcoming enews and the March newsletter. There was so much that several car & SUV loads were needed deliver it all to UFBM. The items will be distributed this week, just in time for the severe temperatures Central lowa will experience this coming week.



#### Pastor Mike or Vicar Jesse are available to meet with you, to listen, to support, to pray with you.

Please don't hesitate to reach out - the best way to reach us is directly as we may not see messages on Facebook or Messenger in a timely manner. Please call 515-276-6873 or send an email. Pastor Mike's direct extension is 203; mike@gracedm.org Vicar Jesse's direct extension is 206; jesse@gracedm.org



The March newsletter deadline is Thursday, February 20



### February Little Free Pantry Request of the Month: Macaroni and Cheese and Pasta

This month, we will collect boxes of macaroni & cheese and pasta for the Little Free Pantry. You can also provide donations online through the <u>GIVE</u> page or provide a check payable to Grace Lutheran Church with "Little Free Pantry" in the memo. There is also an <u>Grace LFP Amazon Wish List</u> available where items will be shipped directly to the church. Thank you for your donations.



Lenten Soup Supper and Signup! Dates still available: March 5, 12, 26, April 2 & 9. Supper begins at 5 p.m. and runs until 6:15 p.m.. Worship will begin at 6:30 p.m. Everyone who uses the building is welcome to join us for supper.

Individuals, families, and committees are welcome to sign up to provide a crockpot or two of soup for one of the Wednesdays. There is a signup on the bulletin board, or you may call the office. Everything you need will be in the kitchen: ladles, bowl, napkins, spoons, and the dishwasher, should you prefer to use non-disposables. The coffeemaker is always on and ready to brew.



# **Worship Volunteer Needs**

February 23: 1 communion assistant

March 2: Greeter, & coffee/donut server

March 5, Ash Wednesday: Greeter, 2 communion assistants

Sign up using the clipboard found on a Gathering Hall table, or go to gracedm.org, and click on the word "Volunteer" in the upper right corner of your screen, then follow directions on the page. If reading this online just click here! Online Worship Volunteer Signup.

# **Listen God is Calling: Loving Our Global Neighbors**

Join Bishop Amy Current and leaders from across the synod on Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:00 p.m. for a short presentation and discussion. Register once and attend any one or all of these events.

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/-t7oYi2cSdi96JQbveZzkw#/registration

February 20: Loving our Neighbors in partnership with the Pare and Mwanga
 Dioceses of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania as global companions



#### Lutheran Day on the Hill: Tuesday, March 11, 2025 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Join LSI as they embark on a celebration of 160 years of service and impact to the State of Iowa. This free event, sponsored by LSI and the three Iowa Synods of the ELCA, is open to anyone who wants to advocate and help spread the word. Registration is open through **Wednesday, March 5th.** You can also search Lutheran Day on the Hill 2025 or reach out to Leah Nelson, leah.nelson@lsiowa.org



# **Being New Spirituality Center - Ongoing Events**

Request our newsletter: email beingnew@gracedm.org or check the bulletin board in the office hallway.

### Weekly

**Recovery Cafe:** Tuesdays at 6:30, Wednesdays, 4:30pm and Fridays at noon at Being New. Recovery Circle is for anyone navigating challenges like addiction, depressions, life transitions—or simply seeking a healthier lifestyle or deeper sense of purpose. The circle offers a safe space to share without judgment, set goals, celebrate steps of progress and move forward. Questions? For more information <a href="mailto:patrick.dahlen@recoverycafedm.org">patrick.dahlen@recoverycafedm.org</a>, 515-608-0913.

**Spiritual Direction** is available through Deb Richards. You can reach her at <a href="mailto:debcarrigerrichards@proton.me">debcarrigerrichards@proton.me</a>.

#### This Monday:

**SoulCollage**® is offered on the **first and third Mondays each month at 6:30 p.m**. The fee is \$15.00 to cover supplies and materials. Please contact Deb Richards for more information (debcarrigerrichards@proton.me).

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