

# Welcome to **GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

“Choose life so that you and your  
descendants may live.”

Deuteronomy 30:19b



**SUNDAY, February 16, 2020**  
**Sixth Sunday after Epiphany**

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**9:00 and 10:30 a.m. worship service**

**Today's Hymns**

**#ELW 713**

**#ELW 772**

**#ELW 818**

**Distribution**

**#ELW 582**

**#ELW 605**



**Our Mission Statement:** *"Grace Lutheran Church is energized by the Holy Spirit and nurtured through God's Word and Sacrament to **gather, feed, and send** people in the name of Jesus Christ."*

**ABOUT TODAY'S THEME...**In today's reading from Deuteronomy we are called to choose life by loving and obeying God. Much of today's gospel reading echoes portions of the Ten Commandments. Jesus' instructions to the crowd reveal a pattern of behavior that honors both God and the neighbor, resulting in life and health for the whole community. We too are invited to embrace these commandments, not out of fear of retribution, but because God has promised that to do so means life for us.

**A WORD ON THE READINGS...****The First Lesson:** The LORD sets before the people of God a clear choice. Life and prosperity will come to the faithful; loss of the land will be the consequence of disobedience. Choosing life entails loving and holding fast to the Lord. Life in God's presence presupposes the promise made to the ancestors. **The Second Lesson:** Human leaders in the church are not the ones who control ministry. Rather they are coworkers who belong to God, the one who truly controls and continuously empowers the ministry of the church. **The Gospel Lesson:** In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus exhorts his followers to embrace standards of righteousness that exceed legal requirements and traditional expectations.

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### **MILESTONE MINISTRY AT GRACE**

At Grace we celebrate milestones. Milestones are designed to connect significant occasions in people's lives with their ongoing journey of faith. A Milestone Moment brings family, friends, and congregations together to mark a special time in their lives and acknowledge and affirm God's presence in their midst. It is a tool to connect home and church in the child's and family's faith life. In addition to naming (the occasion), blessing (the person) and gifting (the gift), we send along an "At Home" sheet to reinforce the milestone with caring conversation.

↑ = Please stand as you are able

↓ = Please be seated

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PRELUDE *Brother James' Air*.....James Leith Macbeth Bain/ arr. D. Wood

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

↑ Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Congregation: Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid 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.  
*Kneel/Sit*

P: Most merciful God,

**C: We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord. 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 sin. 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 the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

### **GATHER**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

↑ GATHERING HYMN *O God of Every Nation*.....ELW #713

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.**

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, 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 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, 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 - to - ry for our God,  
for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

**C: O God, the strength of all who hope in you, because we are weak mortals we accomplish nothing good without you. Help us to see and understand the things we ought to do, and give grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen**

**FEED**

*God speaks to us in scripture reading,  
and feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

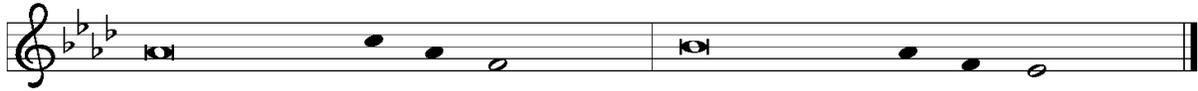
(10:30) CHILDREN'S MESSAGE.....Anne Whitney

↓ We welcome everyone to worship and encourage children of all ages to participate fully in our service. Qualified nursery care is available as needed. The nursery is located in room 202.

FIRST LESSON.....Deuteronomy 30:15-20 (pew Bible p. 163)

[Moses said to the people:] <sup>15</sup>See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. <sup>16</sup>If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. <sup>17</sup>But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, <sup>18</sup>I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. <sup>19</sup>I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, <sup>20</sup>loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

PSALM 119 *Please sing responsively from the selected verses.*



P: Happy are they whose | way is blameless,  
who follow the teaching | of the LORD!

**C: Happy are they who observe | your decrees  
and seek you with | all their hearts,**

P: You laid down | your commandments,  
that we should | fully keep them.

**C: I will thank you with | a true heart,  
when I have learned your | righteous judgments.**

SECOND LESSON.....1 Corinthians 3:1-9 (pew Bible p. 927)

<sup>1</sup>Brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. <sup>2</sup>I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, <sup>3</sup>for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations? <sup>4</sup>For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human?

<sup>5</sup>What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. <sup>6</sup>I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. <sup>7</sup>So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. <sup>8</sup>The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. <sup>9</sup>For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(ELW p. 124)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL..... Matthew 5:21-37 (pew Bible p. 786)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 5th chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.** (*spoken*)

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>21</sup>“You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not murder’; and ‘whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.’ <sup>22</sup>But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, ‘You fool,’ you will be liable to the hell of fire. <sup>23</sup>So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, <sup>24</sup>leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. <sup>25</sup>Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. <sup>26</sup>Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

<sup>27</sup>“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ <sup>28</sup>But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. <sup>29</sup>If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. <sup>30</sup>And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

<sup>31</sup>“It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ <sup>32</sup>But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

<sup>33</sup>“Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall

not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.' <sup>34</sup>But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, <sup>35</sup>or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. <sup>36</sup>And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. <sup>37</sup>Let your word be 'Yes, Yes' or 'No, No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.** (*spoken*)



SERMON.....Pastor Hetrick



↑ HYMN OF THE DAY *Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways*.....ELW #772

APOSTLES' CREED

C: **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.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Response after each petition:

P: Lord, in your mercy

C: **Hear our prayer.**

WE SHARE THE LORD'S PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY

(9:00) *Ave Verum Corpus*.....W.A. Mozart

Ryan Ditmer, Organ

(10:30) *Teach Me, O Lord, The Way of Thy Statutes*.....Thomas Attwood

Adult Choir

OFFERTORY SONG

(ELW p. 184)



**C:** Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing, Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

**P:** Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

(ELW p. 129)

P: The Lord be with you. **C:** And al - so with you.

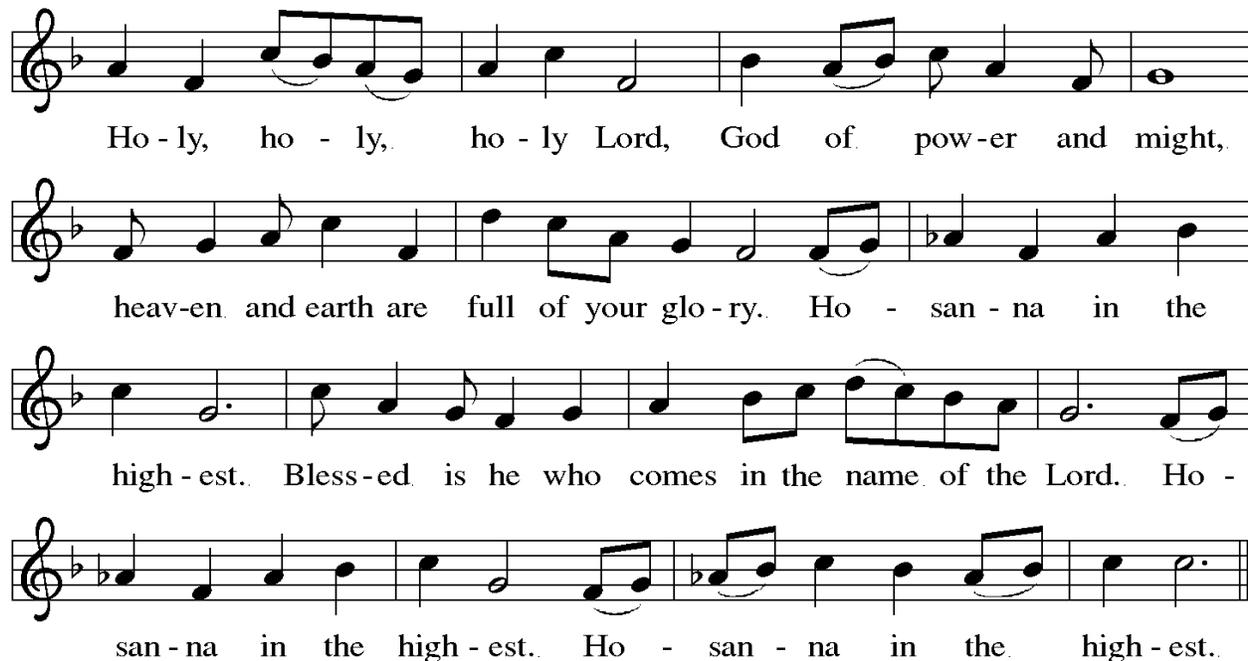
P: Lift up your hearts. **C:** We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise .... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: ( ELW p. 130)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. 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.

P: Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life: Blessed are you for the birth of creation. Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light. Blessed are you for your promise to your people. Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams. Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will. Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

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.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P: God of salvation and resurrection, pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and grace. And to you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be praise and honor, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**C: 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.**

**P:** The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, the meal is ready.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

↓ **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

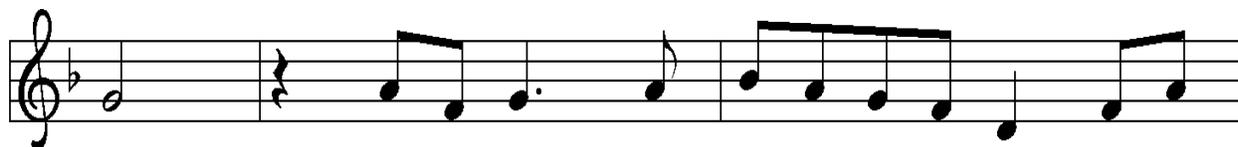
*All are invited to join the congregation in receiving the Savior's Body and Blood. Children not yet receiving Communion are invited forward for a blessing. Rice wafers and grape juice are available for those who have sensitivities to wheat or alcohol. An acolyte has a special tray with these alternative communion elements.*

**Instructions:** Upon receiving the bread, move to the chalice and dip the bread in the consecrated wine.

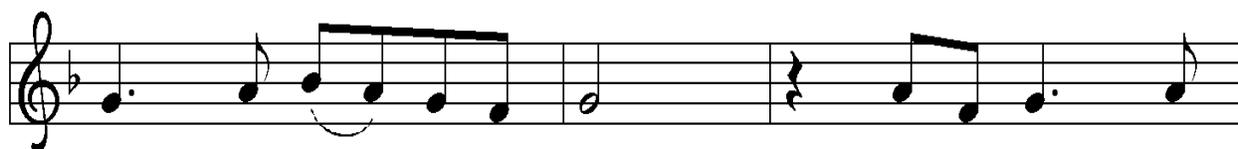
**C:** (ELW p.135a)



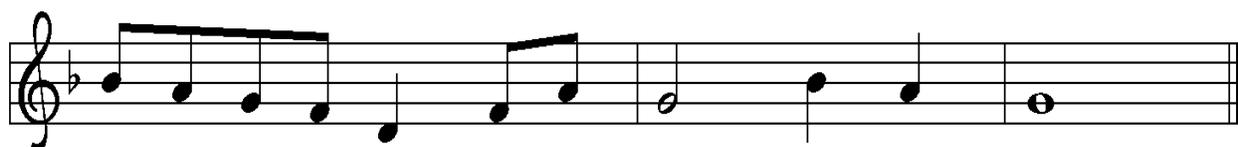
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION MUSIC:

ELW #582 -- *Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling*  
ELW #605 -- *Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive*

↑ P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: **Amen.**

C: ELW p. 135b



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre -



pared in the sight of ev-'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the



na - tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

P: Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

**SEND**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

HYMN *O Master, Let Me Walk with You*.....ELW #818

A: Go in peace; serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE *Fugue in C Major*.....G. F. Handel



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# Grace Lutheran

**Announcements for the Week of Sunday, February 16, 2020**

**LECTORS...**The March sign-up sheets are in the narthex. Thanks to those who have served as lectors in the past. Veterans and new readers of all ages are also encouraged to sign up!

**SOUND SYSTEM ASSISTANT...**Grace is looking to add additional people to our team of sound technicians. Running the sound board during worship is an important and interesting way to use your gifts to support Grace's ministries. No experience needed; training available. If Interested, contact Pastor Schul or Pastor Hetrick.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED....**to help with "coffee hour" at 10:00am in Harkins Hall. If you would like to learn more about this or to sign up please contact Joyce Arbutina at [joycearb@comcast.net](mailto:joycearb@comcast.net).

**WANTED: BOARD MEMBERS FOR 55+ERS...** The 55+ers are looking for volunteers to serve on their steering committee, which plans group events. Board meetings are the second Monday of each month at 9:15 in the Stinson Library at Grace. Board members do not need to be members of Grace Lutheran Church. Interested? Contact Paul or Kathryn Mackes at 238-0440 or call George or Kay Weigand at 237-0099.

The February selection for **Garden of Readin'** (women's book club) is *Lab Girl* by Hope Jahren. This is the selection of Ellen Campbell and she will be facilitating the discussions Tuesday, February 18, at 10:30 am in the Stinson Library and 6:00 pm in Fireside.

**THE MEN'S BOOK CLUB'S** ...next meeting is Feb. 18 at 7:00 PM in the library. The book for the meeting is "The Cross and the Switchblade" by David Wilkerson with John and Elizabeth Sherrill.

**THE ALLEGHENY SYNOD** ...Nominating Committee is seeking people willing to serve a variety of positions within the Synod. For further details, see one of the Synod flyers at the Welcome Center.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES...**If you did not pick up your offering envelopes please contact Sheri in the church office for assistance.

**CONTAINERS...**If you brought containers with cookies for the Christmas Dinner, food for any of the funerals in December or the Ecumenical Worship reception and did not take your container home, they are in the Welcome Center. Please stop by and collect your containers.

## Worship Assistants for Sunday, February 16, 2020

	8:00 A.M.	9:00 A.M.	10:30 A.M.
<b>Lectors</b>	The Pencek family	Angie Hardyk	Christopher Hudson
<b>Greeters</b>	Kay Weigand	Chuck, Lori, Anna & Thomas Coup	Jim & Lynda Stephenson Georgia Peeler
<b>Acolytes</b>		Ben Seaton Carter Fozard	Regan Houseknecht Jacob Fritz
<b>Deacons</b>	Cindy Nicosia	John Diercks Rachel Wolkenhauer	John & Brenda Palmgren
<b>Worship Assistant</b>	George Weigand		
<b>Cantor</b>		Angie Hardyk	Josh Evert
<b>Ushers</b>		Dave Lee Bob Byers John Miller Lisa Wiedemer Marty Wiedemer	Al Fiscus Helen Brenneman Deb Lux Ken Shafranko Beth Shafranko
<b>Radio Ministry; Sound</b>			Richard Brenneman
<b>Coffee Hour Hosts 10:00-10:30 a.m.</b>			Leslie Wagner Lois Lynn
<b>Welcome Center Hosts</b>			Barbara Fiscus



The *altar flowers* are sponsored by Rachel, Lester, Jennifer & Jessica Griel;  
Beth, Todd, Alyce & Christian Visioli; & Carole Donald  
Dedicated to the memory of Robert Donald

This morning's *bulletin* is sponsored in by Jim & Ellen Campbell  
Dedicated to the honor of their grandson Alex

Today's *radio broadcast* on WRSC - 1390 AM & 93.3 FM is sponsored by  
Linda Christensen  
Dedicated to the memory of her parents Margaret & Harold Smith

## PRAYER CONCERNS for February 16, 2020

All Military & Nat'l Guard and all serving in war-torn countries  
 Susan Antle  
 The Barnett, family upon the death of Kip Barnett  
 Deb Baysinger's cousin  
 Sylvia Belanger, mother of Joe Belanger  
 Samantha Blunt, granddaughter of Nancy Reinert  
 Barbara Braun  
 Mary Breon  
 Debbie Bolthouse  
 Phil Bucher  
 Melanie Buffington  
 Linda Cataldo, step-mother of Deb Stewart  
 Nancy Chapa  
 Scott Cocolin  
 Catherine Cutter  
 William Davies  
 Marie Dallery mother of Sharon Shurgalla  
 Damaris Dougherty, daughter of Bob Hampton  
 Mark Doyle, friend of Paul & Sandy Larson  
 Eti Dvir, mother-in-law of Rachel Wolkenhauer

Patrick Dugan, grandson of Paul & Kathryn Mackes  
 Steve Ellis  
 Craig Evanego  
 Vicki Garvin  
 Dick Houtz  
 Bob Igoe  
 Paul Larson  
 Paul Lloyd  
 Phil & Shirley Lucas  
 Tom Lucas  
 Aaron Lyon, nephew of Sue & Pete Forster  
 Tom & Lois Martin  
 Mardi McDonough  
 Ed McGowan  
 Danielle McHenry  
 Bob Miller, father of Julie Miller  
 Marjorie Morgan, daughter of Ruth Kistler  
 Amy Nevling  
 Dottie Niklos, mother of Bob Igoe  
 Matthew Praskovitch, friend of Paul & Sandy Larson  
 Margie Prothro, sister of Ed Jenkins  
 Georgia Reutzel  
 Dottie Roberts

Dennis Robertson, cousin of Karen Mrsa  
 Margaret Schrock, mother of Kathy Weimer  
 Nancy Schuchert, mother of Joe Schuchert  
 Ken Shultz  
 William D. Snape Sr., brother of Phyllis Favorite  
 Emily & Charlotte Spearly  
 Jack Sylves and family and grandparents Tom and Marj Eakin  
 Marcile Tressler  
 Tom & Claudette, friends of Helen and Dick Brenneman  
 Karen Tupman, cousin of Phyllis Favorite  
 Fonda, mother of Phyllis Verderame  
 Brenda & Ken Walsh  
 Marie & Ross Weimer, parents of Greg Weimer  
 Ash Woskob  
 Janet Zerbe

**Members in the hospital**  
 Barbara Bingaman  
 Don Willman



### Weekly Prayer Letter of Encouragement

*"Don't pray when you feel like it. Have an appointment with the Lord and keep it. A person is powerful on their knees." ~ Corrie ten Boom*

We at Grace strive to be a people of prayer. Each week in our bulletin we list Grace members or people connected to our Grace family who are in need of our prayers. Each week, one person is selected to receive a special letter of encouragement. Please sign the letter in the Upper Commons or Narthex and pray for that person this week. **This week the Prayer Letter will be sent to: Don Willman**



Prayer is a powerful gift and tool God gives to us. *Please pray for the request each day of the week during your daily prayer time. Just think how powerful it would be if all our members prayed for the same thing each day.*

Prayer concern- Pray for all who serve in positions of authority, both elected and appointed: **Almighty God, bless all public servants in government, in our nation, our Commonwealth, and here in Centre County. Guide them to do their work with a spirit of wisdom, charity and justice. Help them to use their authority to serve faithfully and promote our common life, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

## Adult Forum

Come and learn with all kinds of Grace people in a Christ-centered discussion format. We meet at 9am Sundays in the Fireside Room.

Series January 12- February 23: **Dialogues on: Race**

Race can be hard to talk about. Join us for a structured series of conversations in which we learn to talk together about complex and challenging issues.

Using Scripture to center and guide us, we'll talk around today's issues, such as race and the bible, the Black vs White Christianity, the Native American experience, and the problem with racial reconciliation.

Copies of the book are available in the church office if you wish to read ahead, but homework is NOT required for participation. Just come join in when you can; sessions can stand alone!

## Sunday School from 9-10 am

### Classroom Assignments

-Ages 3 & 4 and Kindergarten—Room 200

-Grades 1 & 2 —Room 103

-Grades 3, 4 & 5 —Room 105

-Middle School Youth will meet in the Miller Center Youth Room

-High School Youth will meet in the Narthex and then will walk to Starbucks for java, juice and Jesus discussions.



**Teachers are needed for every age group.** There are always two adults per classroom, one lead teacher and one helper. For more information please contact Cindy Fritz or Peter Horn at [faithformation@glcpa.org](mailto:faithformation@glcpa.org).



## Today, February 16, from 2-5 pm

Pastor & Linda Schul are hosting an open house at 159 W Park Ave. in State College. It is a small way for the Schul family to express their gratitude to the people of Grace for their ongoing prayers, love and support. You need only bring yourself. Parking is very limited so we suggest you use the parking decks near the Nittany Lion Inn. Parking is free on Sundays.

# Super Wednesday Meal on February 19, 2020

## Spaghetti & Meatballs, Garlic Bread, Salad & Dessert



### Super Wednesday Schedule:

11:00 am—**Adult Bible Study**, “Simplifying the Soul, Renewing the Spirit”, led by Pastor Hetrick,  
Fireside

5:00-5:30 pm—**Angel Choir** (ages 3-5), Room 203

5:00-5:45 pm—**Sing ‘n Ring Choir** (K-grade 5)

Choir room next to Harkins Hall; Kindergartners can choose either choir

5:30-6:15 pm—**Super Wednesday Supper**, Harkins Hall

6:15-7:15 pm—**Adult Bible Study**, “Simplifying the Soul, Renewing the Spirit”, led by Pastor Hetrick,  
Fireside

6:15-7:15 pm—**The Re:Formers** (5th-8th grades), **Kid’s Club**, Miller Center

7:30-9:00 pm —**Adult Choir Rehearsal**, Sanctuary

**Radio sponsorships available from March 8 onward** – If you are looking for a way to remember someone special and serve our listening community, please consider sponsoring a radio broadcast of our Sunday worship (broadcast weekly on WRSC 1390 and 93.3 FM). Sponsorships are available for \$192 and can be shared by two donors (\$96 each); as of this writing, spots are still available on March 8 and 15. Homebound members and those who are ill or unable to attend worship often comment how much they appreciate hearing worship on the radio. Thank you for helping to bring the Word of God to our listening community!

## Spots are still available Sunday, March 22 QPR training, held at Grace Lutheran from 9-10:30 a.m.

Register at <https://janamariefoundation.org/learn-with-us/take-a-course/qpr-registration/> or e-mail Cindy Fritz and Peter Horn at [faithformation@glcpa.org](mailto:faithformation@glcpa.org).

QPR stands for Question, Persuade, and Refer — the 3 simple steps anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide.

Just as people trained in CPR and the Heimlich Maneuver help save thousands of lives each year, people trained in QPR learn how to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to question, persuade, and refer someone to help. Each year thousands of Americans, like you, are saying “Yes” to saving the life of a friend, colleague, sibling, or neighbor. Learn how to Question, Persuade and Refer someone who may be suicidal, how to get help for yourself or learn more about preventing suicide. The common causes of suicidal behavior the warning signs of suicide, and how to get help for someone in crisis.

The Bucket Collection to support IHS was held on February 9<sup>th</sup>. There is still time to donate through this month either via the offering plate or Tithely. If you choose to write a check, please make it payable to 'Grace Lutheran' with 'IHS' on the memo line. Thanks!

The focus will be to support the Financial Care Programs and the impact they have on keeping folks stable and independent. The caseworkers at IHS have never had a client evicted or their utilities shut off. This kind of care helps reduce their need for other programs in the community and saves those resources for others.



“One client now has a balance of \$967.13, down from almost \$6,000 in May of 2017. The client is hugely proud of this accomplishment. This is just one of the several debts that he has been able to pay down or off. He hopes to increase his credit rating in order to purchase a car in the future.” BJ, caseworker



*This Week  
At Grace*

**Sunday, February 16**

- 8:00 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 9:00 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 9:00 a.m.....Sunday School, various rooms
- 10:00 a.m.....Crossfire Youth Choir rehearsal, Rm 203
- 10:00 a.m.....Munchkin Brunchkin, Miller Center
- 10:30 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 11:45 a.m.....Acolyte training, Sanctuary
- 11:45 a.m.....Bell Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 11:45 a.m.....College Student Lunch, Fireside
- 2:00 p.m..... Ecumenical Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 4:00 p.m.....Psalm 151 Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 5:00 p.m.....Confirmation, Miller Center
- 6:00 p.m.....Casual Worship w/ Holy Communion, Sanctuary

**Monday, February 17  
Presidents Day No school**

- 11:00 a.m.....WOG (Women of Grace) Planning Meeting, Fireside

**Tuesday, February 18**

- 9:30 a.m.....Staff Meeting, Fireside
- 10:30 a.m.....Garden of Readin', Library
- 4:00 p.m.....Jana Marie Author Visit, Harkins Hall
- 6:00 p.m.....Garden of Readin', Fireside

**Wednesday, February 19  
Bulletin Announcements due 3p.m.**

- 11:00 a.m.....Super Wednesday Bible Study, Fireside
- 5:00 p.m.....Angel Choir, Rm 203
- 5:00 p.m.....Sing & Ring, Choir Room
- 5:30 p.m.....Super Wednesday Meal, Harkins Hall
- 6:15 p.m.....Super Wednesday Bible Study, Fireside
- 6:15 p.m.....Kids Club & ReFormers , Miller Center
- 7:30 p.m.....Adult Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

**Thursday, February 20  
Grace Notes Deadline**

- 7:00 a.m.....Women's Breakfast Prayer Group, Waffle Shop North

**Friday, February 21**  
No scheduled church activities

**Saturday, February 22**  
No scheduled church activities