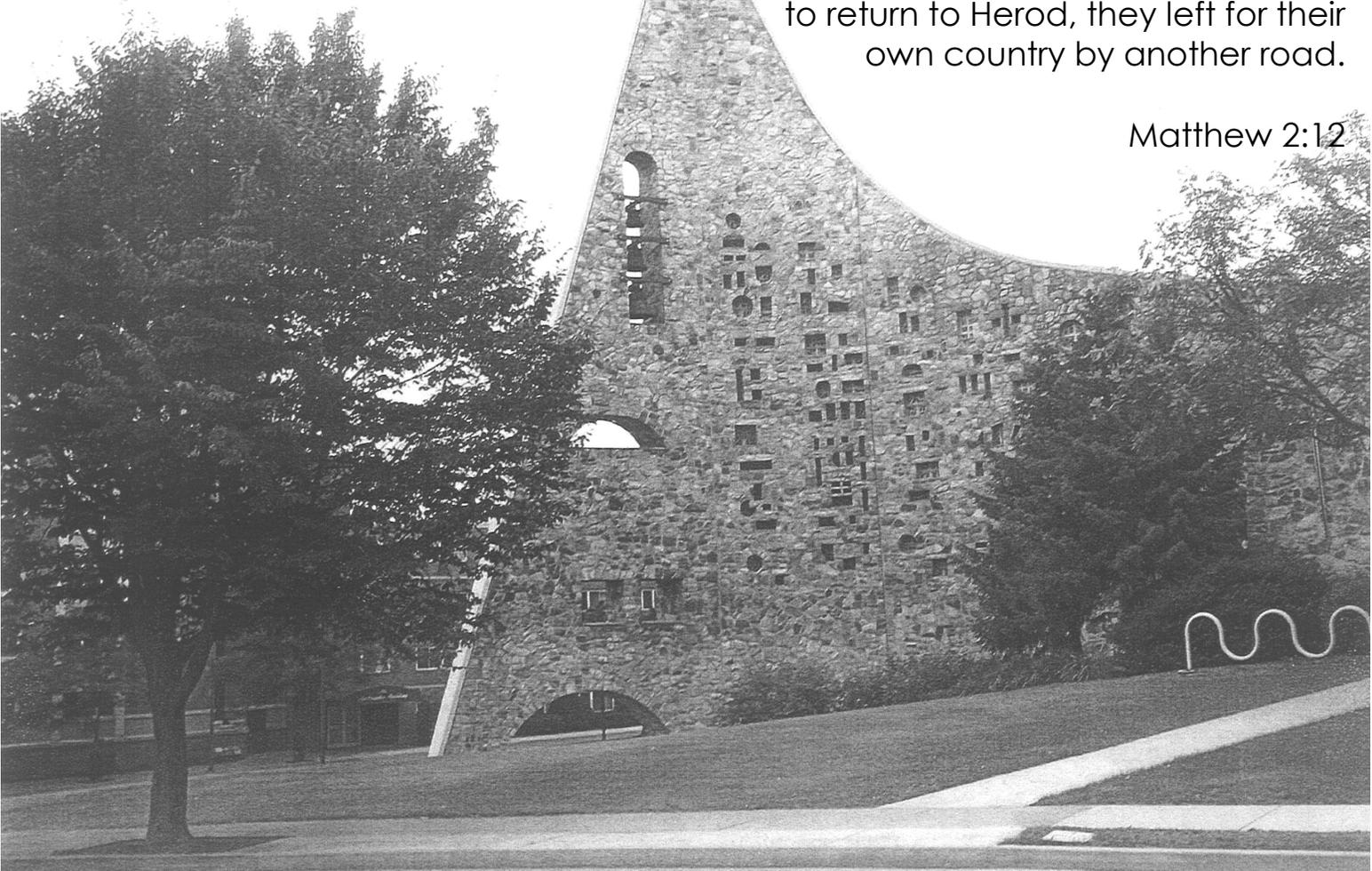


# Welcome to **GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

A congregation of the ELCA

Having been warned in a dream not  
to return to Herod, they left for their  
own country by another road.

Matthew 2:12



**SUNDAY, January 6, 2019**  
Epiphany of Our Lord

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

Today's Hymns

**#ELW 302**

**#ELW 815**

**#ELW 677**

Distribution

**#ELW 303**

**#ELW 685**



**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...** Epiphany means "manifestation." On this day we celebrate the revelation of Christ to the Gentiles—that is, to all nations. Some Christian traditions celebrate three great epiphanies on this day: the magi's adoration of the Christ child, Jesus' baptism in the Jordan River, and his first miracle, in which he changes water into wine. The word and sacraments are for us the great epiphany of God's grace and mercy. We go forth to witness to the light that shines brightly in our midst. **ABOUT THE LESSONS...** **The First Lesson:** Jerusalem is assured that nations will make a pilgrimage to her, because the light of God's presence is in her midst. The bountiful food of the sea and the profits of international trade will come streaming to Jerusalem and thereby declare God's praise. **The Second Lesson:** What had been hidden from previous generations is now made known through the gospel ministry of Paul and others. In Christ both Jews and Gentiles participate in the richness of God's promised salvation. **The Gospel Lesson:** God's promise shines bright in the night as magi follow a star to honor a new king. Strangers from a faraway land, they welcome the long-awaited messiah of Israel.

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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 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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# Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church - State College, Pennsylvania

PRELUDE *Houston*.....Wold

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 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.**

INTROIT *Kings' Processional*.....Debra Morton

Declan Flanagan, tenor; Ethan Hardyk, tenor; Sammy Hallacher, bass;

Laura Pauley, piano; Tony Buda & Laurel Sanders, percussion

Translation: The star glows with exceeding brightness, which shows the birth of the King of Kings, to whose coming the prophecies of old had pointed. Receive, O King, gold. Accept incense, Thou very God. Myrrh, the sign of burial. Glory to God in the highest!

## **GATHER**

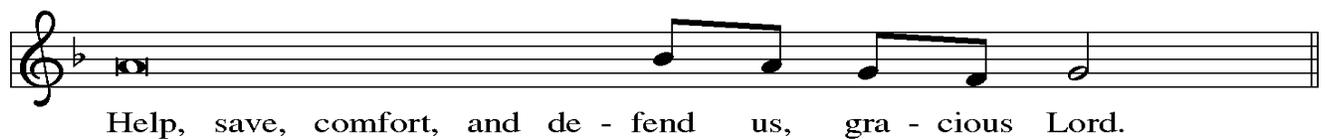
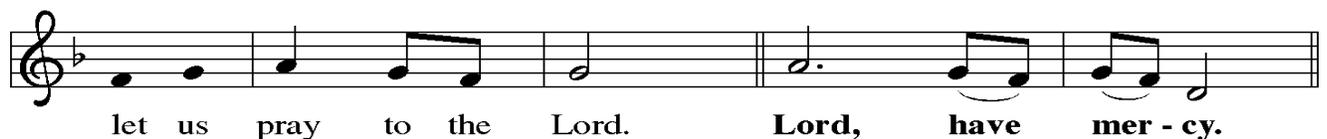
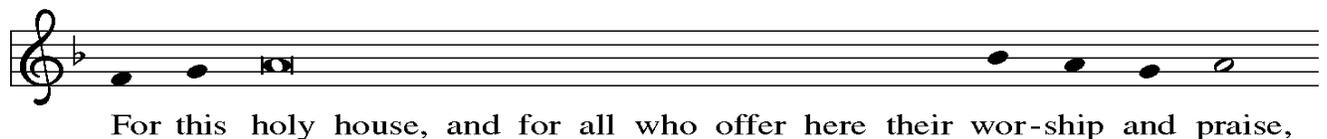
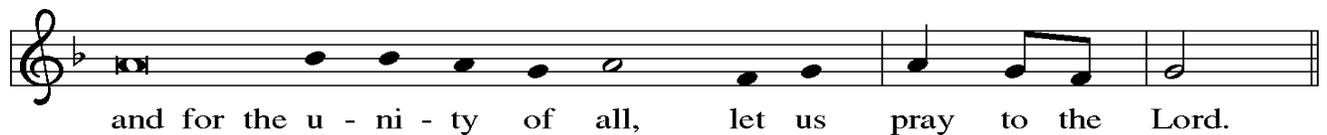
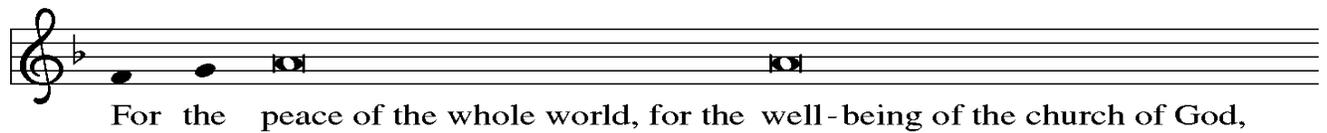
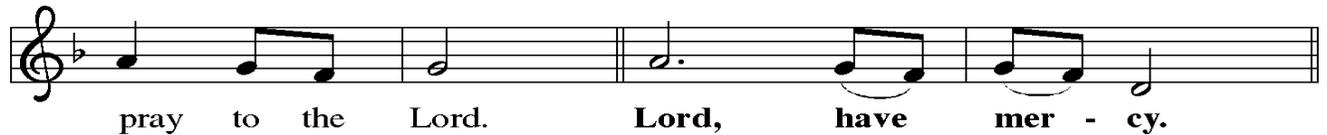
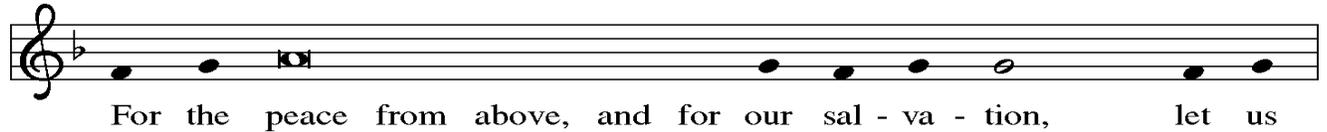
*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*



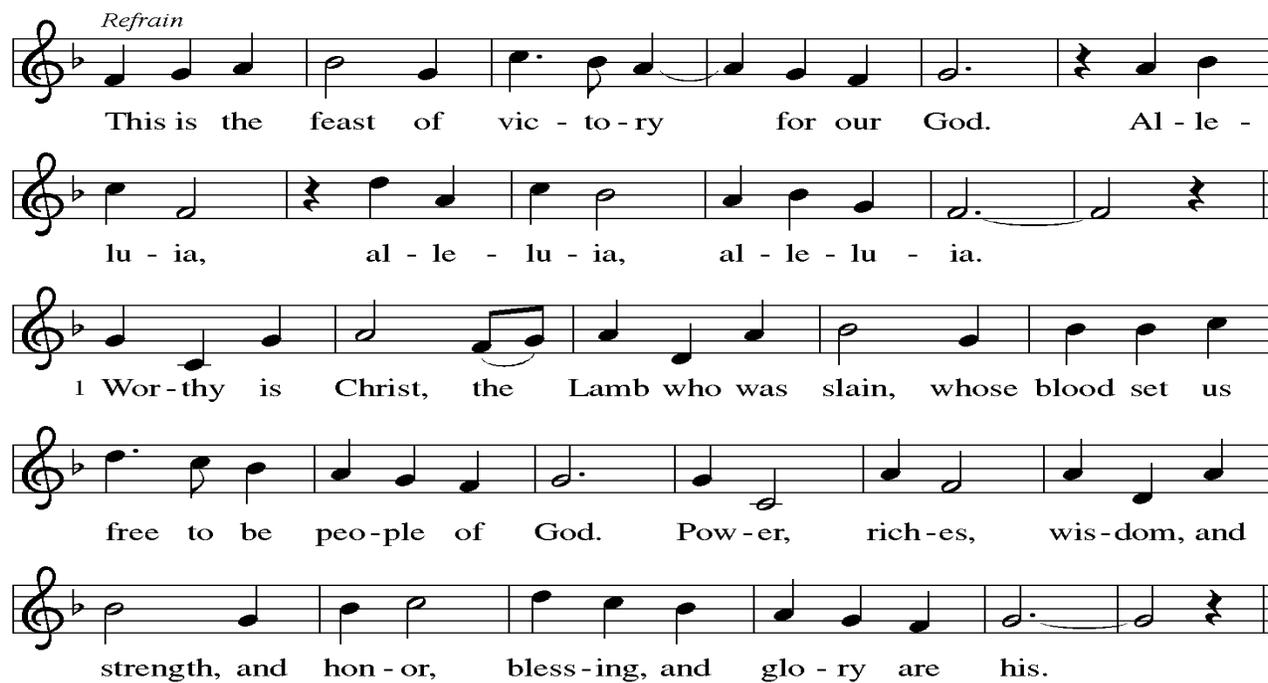
GATHERING HYMN *As with Gladness Men of Old*.....ELW # 302

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, on this day you revealed your Son to the nations by the leading of a star. Lead us now by faith to know your presence in our lives, and bring us at last to the full vision of your glory, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**FEED**

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

↓ *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 204.*

FIRST LESSON..... Isaiah 60:1-6 (pew Bible p. 602)

<sup>1</sup>Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

<sup>2</sup>For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. <sup>3</sup>Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

<sup>4</sup>Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. <sup>5</sup>Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. <sup>6</sup>A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

PSALM 72—Please sing responsively from selected verses.



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- L: Give the king your jus- | tice, O God,  
and your righteousness to | the king's son;
- C: Let him defend the needy a- | mong the people,  
rescue the poor, and crush | the oppressor.**
- L: May all kings bow | down before him,  
and all the nations | do him service.
- C: For the king delivers the poor who cry out | in distress,  
the oppressed, and those who | have no helper.**
- L: He has compassion on the low- | ly and poor,  
and preserves the lives | of the needy.
- C: From oppression and violence he re- | deems their lives,  
and precious is their blood | in his sight.**

SECOND LESSON.....Ephesians 3:1-10 (pew Bible p. 950)

<sup>1</sup>This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—<sup>2</sup>for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, <sup>3</sup>and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, <sup>4</sup>a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. <sup>5</sup>In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: <sup>6</sup>that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

<sup>7</sup>Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. <sup>8</sup>Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, <sup>9</sup>and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; <sup>10</sup>so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.

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

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

HOLY GOSPEL.....Matthew 2:1-12(pew Bible p. 783)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 2nd chapter.

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

<sup>1</sup>In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup>asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." <sup>3</sup>When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; <sup>4</sup>and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. <sup>5</sup>They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: <sup>6</sup>'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'"

<sup>7</sup>Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. <sup>8</sup>Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." <sup>9</sup>When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup>When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. <sup>11</sup>On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. <sup>12</sup>And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

↓ SERMON.....Pastor Schul

↑ HYMN OF THE DAY *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*.....ELW # 815

APOSTLES' 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.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Response after each petition:

L: 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 *Carol of the Star*.....Donald Moore  
Declan Flanagan, tenor; Ethan Hardyk, tenor; Sammy Hallacher, bass;  
Laura Pauley, piano



OFFERTORY SONG.....(ELW #184)

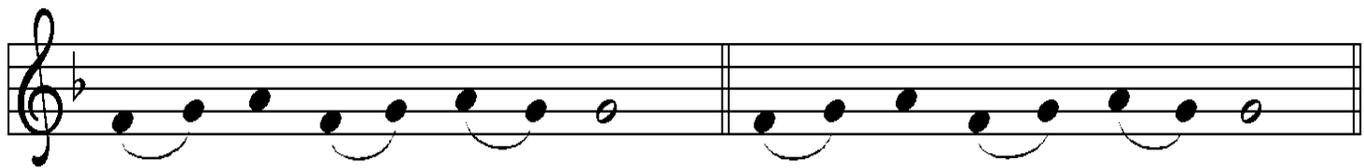
**C:** Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing, Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a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

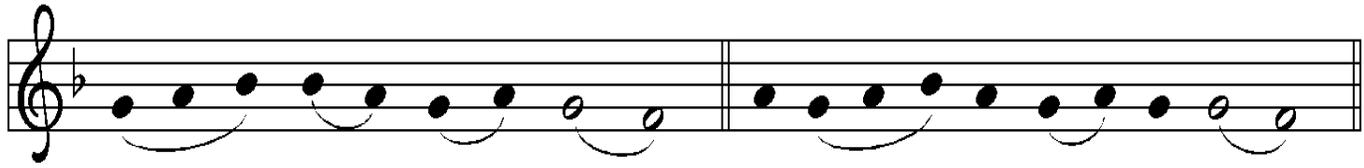
**C:** Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

(ELW p. 129)



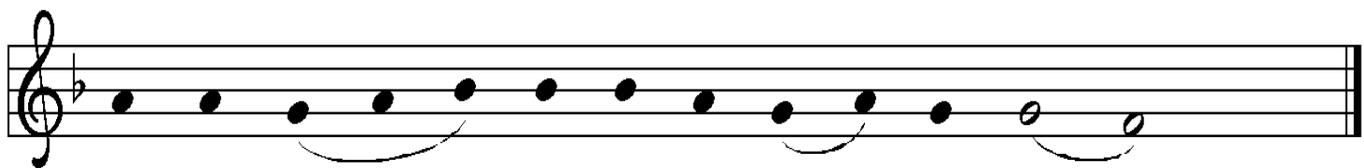
**P:** The Lord be with you. **C:** And al - so with you.



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

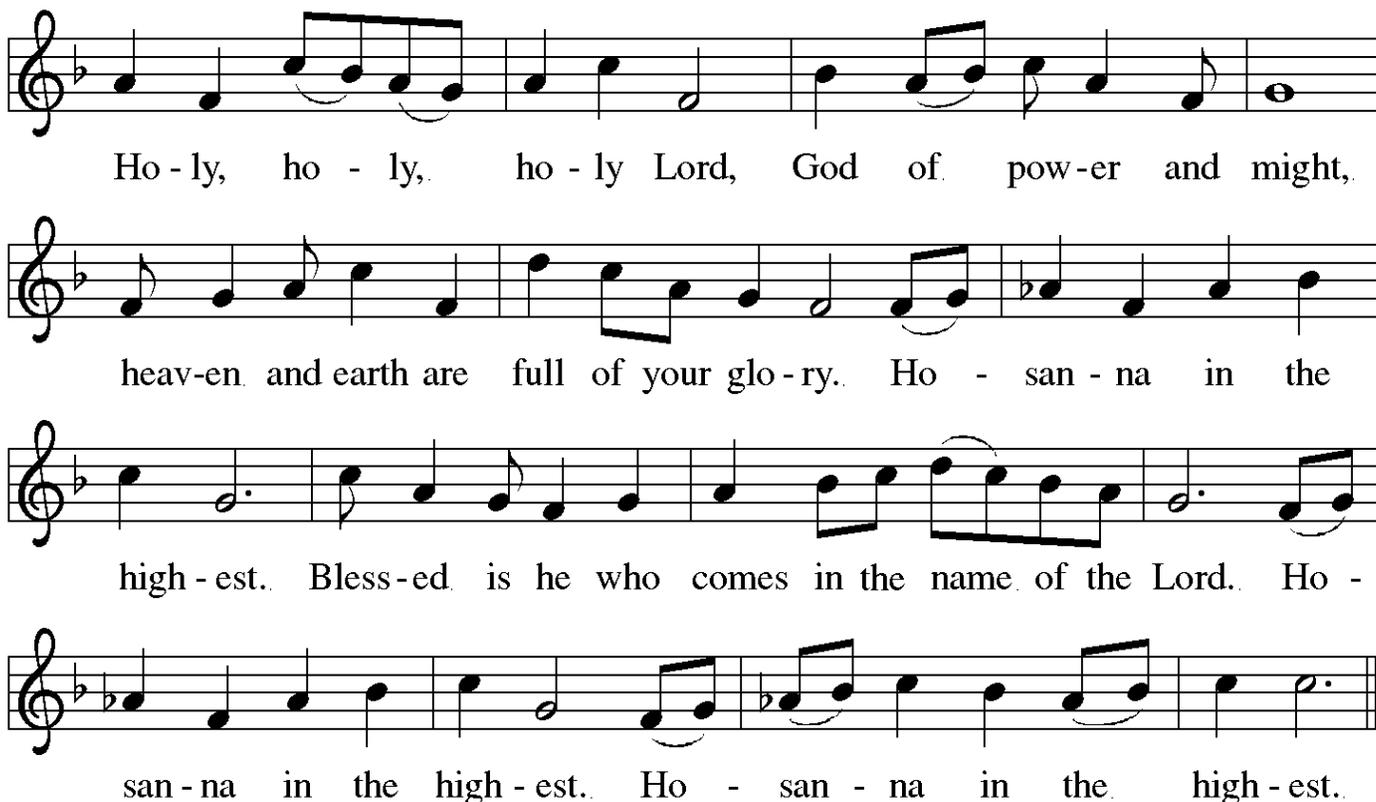


**P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**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:



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.

C: (ELW p. 130)

P: Everlasting God, the whole universe sings a new song of praise: the rivers clap their hands, the hills ring out for joy. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us voices ready to cry out for justice and proclaim resurrection joy wherever your Spirit leads us.

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 who are baptized 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.*

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.

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

**COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION MUSIC**

*Break Forth, O Beauteous, Heavenly Light*.....J.S. Bach  
Laurel Sanders, flute; Sarah Rodgers, clarinet; Susan Buda, cello

**COMMUNION HYMNS:**

↑  
ELW #303-- *Brightest and Best of the Stars*  
ELW #685 -- *Take My Life, That I May Be*

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

C:

Thank-ful hearts and voices raise; tell ev-ry-one what God has done. Let  
 ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re - joice and bear the name of Christ.  
 Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with  
 shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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P: O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. As you send us into the world, guard us from the power of evil, keep us in unity with all your people, and by your Spirit move us to testify to your grace in our words and actions; through Christ our 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 *This Little Light of Mine*.....ELW # 677

A: Go in peace; serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *In dir ist Freude BWV 615*.....J.S. Bach



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# Grace Lutheran

## Announcements for the Week of Sunday, January 6, 2019

**A FRIENDLY GREETING TO ALL...**who have joined us today to worship and praise our Lord & Savior. May this time of worship bless us to be a blessing to others. If you are a guest this morning please complete the beige contact card in the pew pocket where you are seated and place it in the offering plate. Thank you.

**ACOLYTES NEEDED...**We are looking to expand our roster of acolytes for all services. The commitment is typically one service per month and we work around your family schedule. It is also a great way to involve kids in the worship service. Please contact Stephanie Fozard at [steph@fozards.com](mailto:steph@fozards.com) if interested.

**GARDEN OF READIN'S** next meeting is on Tuesday, January 15 at 10:30 am in the Stinson Library and 6:00 pm in Fireside. The book selection is *My Jesus Year: A Rabbi's Son Wanders the Bible Belt on Search of His Own Faith* by Benjamin Cohen. The meeting will be facilitated by Cindy Keith.

**LECTORS...**The January & February 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!

**HELP WANTED.....**Meals on Wheels is looking for a Meal Coordinator. Responsible for activities that support the successful preparation, packaging, and delivery of daily meals. Work activities include: the organization and cleanliness of kitchen and other work areas, daily meal counts, cold meals preparation, meal supplies inventory, operation of Meal Lines, dishwashing, and assistance to the Cook. Although the position is part-time, it has the potential to become full-time. We operate Monday through Friday. Please email resume to [scmealsonwheels@gmail.com](mailto:scmealsonwheels@gmail.com).

**SPONSORSHIP SIGN-UP CHARTS...**for radio broadcasts, altar flowers, and bulletins are now in the Narthex. Costs are the same as last year - \$165 for one sponsor or two people can share \$82.50 each for broadcast, \$75 for altar flowers and still \$25 for bulletins and can be dedicated to honor or memorialize someone or to the Glory of God. Explanation sheets and reminder envelopes are also with the charts. Thank you very much for your support.

**BLESSING YOUR HOME...**is a traditional practice at Epiphany. You can find a simple house blessing rite on pink paper at the Welcome Center.

All are welcome to our weekly "coffee hour" in Harkins Hall following the 9 AM service!

## Worship Assistants for Sunday, January 6, 2019

	8:00 A.M.	9:00 A.M.	10:30 A.M.
<b>Lectors</b>	Dennis Snider	Anne Rohrbach	Brian Christian
<b>Greeters</b>	June Krumrine	Gerry Slear Louise Tarman	Gerry Slear Marilyn Peterson
<b>Acolytes</b>	Ryan Pencek	Jacob Fritz Nicholas Kewitt	Sophia Bills Mirabella Bills
<b>Deacons</b>	Don Widener	Carl Bankert Sally Keiser-Bankert	Lois & Bob Voigt
<b>Worship Assistant</b>	George Weigand	Rachel Wolkenhauer	Rachel Wolkenhauer
<b>Cantor</b>		Sarah Rodgers	Sarah Rodgers
<b>Ushers</b>		Dennis McClure John Palmgren Dave Huebner Shar Huebner Anne Rohrbach Aaron Rohrbach	Don Burris Bonnie Burris Ted Oyler Trey Oyler Linlee Oyler Ellen Campbell Matt Campbell
<b>Radio Ministry; Sound</b>			Lester Griel III
<b>Coffee Hour Hosts 10:00-10:30 a.m.</b>			Ken & Nancy Fogelman
<b>Welcoming Center Hosts</b>		Joann McCormick	Sue Forster

The *altar flowers* are sponsored by Curt & Jackie Kunes  
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Today's *radio broadcast* on WRSC - 1390 AM is sponsored by Grace Lutheran  
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## PRAYER CONCERNS for January 6, 2019

All Military & Nat'l Guard and those serving in war-torn Countries	Ruth Kistler Larry Kuhns Ryan Louder	Ken Shultz William D. Snape Sr. brother of Phyllis Favorite
Susan Antle	Tuckey Louder	Jack Sylves and family and grandparents Tom and Marj Eakin
Celeste Barnes & family of Ed Jenkins	Phil Lucas Danielle McHenry	Michelle Thal
Scott Cocolin	Jo Anne Miller	Lisa Thomas, Sally & Carl's friend
Marion & Winnie Deppen	Maryann Newcomb	Karen Tupman, Cousin of Phyllis Favorite
Sherri Ebeling & family daughter of Elaine Ebeling	Chuck Noel Robert Schlegel	
Vicki Garvin	Margie Prothro sister of Ed Jenkins	
Donna Pedersen Hershey niece of Gina Leon	Kyle Steffens college roommate of Laurel Sanders	<b>Members in the hospital</b> Carolyn Yarnell
Lenore Horner		
Dick Houtz		



### 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 JoAnne Miller.**



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.*

*Pray this week that Jesus will continue to draw you to his side throughout 2019, and that you will have the courage to take his road.*

**ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE NOW VIA OUR WEBSITE** – In response to member requests and societal preferences, we now have online giving options on our website. This is envisioned as a place for members, guests and visitors to make donations for bucket collections (such as for Out of the Cold, which you can do now) or extra donations to our General Fund (for programs and outreach) or our Building Fund to pay off the wonderful additions to our property and facilities. Visit [www.glcpa.org](http://www.glcpa.org) and look for the GIVE button on the upper right-hand side at the top. Set up an account with Tithe.ly (our provider, serving more than 6,000

The theme for this year's Lenten Devotional is Favorite Hymns, Vol. 2. Please contribute by writing a devotional and submitting it to [mpeiffer57@gmail.com](mailto:mpeiffer57@gmail.com) by February 20. For questions or more information call Michelle at 321-5402.



Our hat and mitten tree was a huge success again this year. Fifty-five hats, 47 pairs of mittens/gloves, 8 pairs of socks, 3 scarves, a pair of slippers, and a blanket were gathered and donated to the Youth Services Bureau in time for Christmas distribution. Thank you to all who contributed! And, if you would like to learn how to knit or crochet items for next year's tree, join Grace's Knit Wits - meetings are the third Thursday of each month at 10 a.m. in the church library. Next meeting January 10. Contact: [ctibbott1@verizon.net](mailto:ctibbott1@verizon.net)

## Adult Forum

*Sundays 9-10 AM in Fireside Room*

Dialogues On: "The Refugee Crisis" Text, scripture, video and discussion are central to this study.

**January 13: You can Write a Devotion:** Each year Grace members write a devotional booklet to be used during Lent. We can't do this without ...US! Come for a nonthreatening, easy workshop in which you will— start and maybe even finish a devotion. No obligation with attendance!

**January 20: Where is God calling me now?** Whether you grew up in the church or found your way later on, wherever life has taken you thus far, whether your faith has been more like a clear crystal pool or a mud puddle, God has been working in your life. Where has God been in your past experiences, and where would God have you go next? In this one day session, we will reflect together to discern how God has been working in and through us in many experiences and

Fellowship  
Dinner



**Super Wednesday,  
January 9, 2019  
Salisbury Steak,  
Mushroom Gravy,  
Oven Browned Potatoes,  
Vegetable & Dessert**

***SUPER WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE***

11:00 am—**Adult Bible Study**, led by Pastor Schul called

“We are the church.” This study is based on Bishop Eaton’s teachings.

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**, Miller Center

6:15-7:15 pm—**Adult Bible Study**, led by Pastor Schul called

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6:15-7:15 pm— **Reformers**, Miller Center

6:15-7:15 pm— **Kid’s Club**, Harkins Hall

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



**Carols (Stairwell) and King Cake (Harkins Hall) from 10:00 – 10:30 to-day...** Flutes, clarinet and cello will mark the end of the Christmas season and transition into Epiphany by playing arrangements of *Wachet auf, Joy to the World*, and other traditional carols from around the world. Stop by Harkins Hall for a piece of King Cake and listen to the sounds of the season on your way to worship. Follow the light of Christ!

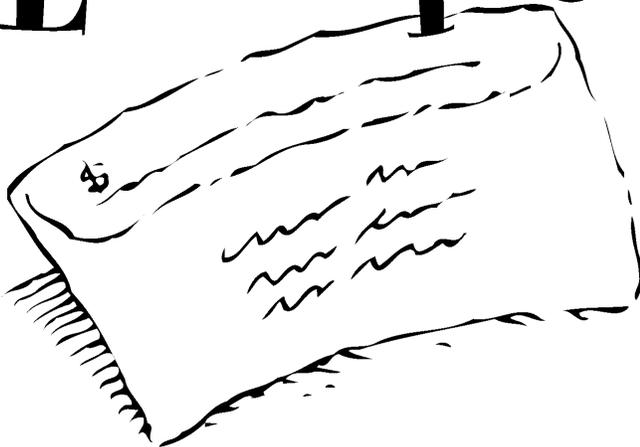
## Sunday morning sponsorships

*Thank you* to all who have signed up to sponsor the altar flowers, bulletins or radio broadcast. To help you and the church office keep track of your payment for the sponsorships, please take an envelope located in the niche at the sign up sheets to remind you of the date you selected and the amount due Grace Lutheran by your sponsorship date. A new procedure was implemented effective July 1, 2018 that if payment has not been received by the church office by the sponsorship date, a friendly reminder will be sent the following week to the person(s) who signed up to be a sponsor. If you feel you have received the friendly reminder in error, please by all means contact the church office (238-2478; churchoffice@glcpa.org) so we can straighten out the matter.

*Thank you*

### 2019 OFFERING ENVELOPES

# Offering Envelopes



As we start a new church year, each of us must ask, "What are our priorities? Where are we placing our treasure?" The envelopes are on the tables in the narthex. Prayerfully ponder your priorities for the coming year, and use your offering envelopes to help direct them. When picking up your 2019 envelopes, please confirm that the envelope number on the top label of the box matches the number in the little window on the front left side of the box. If they do not match, please let the office know immediately and please do not use those envelopes.



*This week at Grace*

**Sunday, Jan. 6**

- 8:00 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 9:00 a.m.....Sunday School for Adults, Fireside
- 9:00 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 10:00 a.m.....Seasonal Carols in Stairwell ( instrumental)
- 10:30 a.m.....Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 11:45 a.m.....Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 11:45 a.m.....College Student Lunch, Harkins Hall
- 4:00 p.m.....Psalm 151 Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 6:00 p.m.....Casual Worship with Holy Communion, Sanctuary
- 6 :30 p.m.....LSC dinner, Fireside
- 7:00 p.m.....Questions Not Answers, Library

**Monday, Jan. 7**

No scheduled church activities

**Tuesday, Jan. 8**

- 9:00 a.m.....Women of Grace Comfort Makers, Library
- 1:00 p.m.....Women of Grace Naomi Circle, Library
- 7:00 p.m.....Church Council, Fireside
- 7:00 p.m.....Women of Grace, Library

**Wednesday, Jan. 9**

- 11:00 a.m. ....Super Wednesday Bible Study, Fireside
- 4:00 p.m.....Stephen Ministry Supervision, Library
- 5:00 p.m.....Angel Choir, Rm 203
- 5:00 p.m.....Sing & Ring, Choir Room
- 5:00 p.m.....Super Wednesday Meal, Miller Center
- 6:15 p.m.....Super Wednesday Bible Study, Fireside
- 6:15 p.m.....ReFormers, Miller Center
- 6:15 p.m.....Kids Club, Harkins Hall
- 7:30 p.m.....Adult Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

**Thursday, Jan.10**

Bulletin Announcements due at 9 AM

- 7:00 a.m.....Women’s Breakfast Prayer Group, Waffle Shop North
- 10:00 a.m.....KNIT WITS, Library
- 5:30 p.m.....Finance Committee Meeting, Work Room
- 6:30 p.m.....Social Ministry bucket recipient selection meting, Fireside

**Friday, Jan. 11**

No scheduled church activities

**Saturday, Jan. 12**

No scheduled church activities