



GRACE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

**The Holy Communion
The Third Sunday in Lent
March 20, 2022
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.**

WELCOME TO GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

We welcome you in the name of Jesus Christ as we gather to hear God's holy Word and celebrate the meal of Holy Communion. We are blessed by your presence, just as you are. As God welcomes all people through the saving grace of Jesus, so do we seek to welcome God's people of all races, social statuses, physical and mental abilities, sexual orientations, and gender identities to be together in Christ – to love, to grow, and to serve. Should you have no church home, you are invited to consider Grace. We encourage you to fill out the perforated page on the back of the bulletin and place it in the offering plate. Welcome!

Children's resources, including activity bags, worship bulletins and booster seats, are available in the narthex and from the ushers.

Nursery care is provided at both the 8:30 and 11:00 worship services for children ages 4 and under. The nursery is located across from Fellowship Hall. From the atrium, go through the Lamb Door by the elevator, up half a flight of stairs and turn right. From the sanctuary, go through the door by the stone baptismal font, up the stairs and turn left. A silent paging system allows the nursery staff to contact parents when needed.

Assistance in Worship: For those who find it difficult to stand during any part of the service, please remain seated and contact an usher if you would like Holy Communion to be brought to you. Sound enhancement units are available in the back of the church. Large print bulletins are available from the ushers in the back of the church and at the Division Street door.

Please silence all cell phones and other electronic devices. Thank you.

In Holy Communion the crucified and risen Christ is present, giving his true body and blood as food and drink. All baptized Christians are invited to the table where Christ himself is host. If you desire to be baptized, or to learn more about Holy Baptism, please speak to one of the pastors.

Educational opportunities occur between worship services at 9:45. Topics and locations for classes are listed at the end of this bulletin under "This Week at Grace."

Grace Council Statement on Racism: Racism, manifested in individual acts and present throughout systems, continues to prevent us from being the beloved community that God intends. Our faith in the crucified and risen Christ compels us to speak. We speak against the sin of racism. We speak in solidarity with Black people and all people of color, each of whom is precious to God. We stand with and for Black people within our church and school and in the larger community.

We commit ourselves to following Jesus Christ into the world in the hope that, by the Spirit's power, God's Kingdom would come on earth as it is in heaven. We look with hope and anticipation to a season of growth and change as Grace becomes a more faithful witness to God's wide welcome in Christ. We see this as the beginning, not the end, of the conversation. We pray for the Holy Spirit to guide us, and for the courage to follow.

As We Gather

Why do bad things happen to good people? This existential question pops up wherever there is suffering or tragedy. In Jesus' day, the question was often answered in a straightforward way: Those who suffered must have done something to deserve it. Jesus refutes such divine causality. God doesn't work through murderous rulers or tragic accidents. Sometimes bad things happen because of the badness of others. Sometimes bad things just happen. Those people who suffer aren't worse than us; more to the point, we're not better than them. We're sinners, too. If suffering is going to find us all eventually, what are we to do? Repent! Turn around. Stop wondering why bad things happen and start asking how we can respond to God's call to righteous living. The tree of life was cut down for our sake, but Christ has been lifted up. In him is our hope. We bear fruit to help those who suffer. We bear fruit as signs of the coming Kingdom.



Photo by Jonathan Hillert

✠ GATHERING ✠

PRELUDE: Adagio (from Trio Sonata No. 1 in E-flat, BWV 525) Johann Sebastian Bach

We stand to face the cross at the tolling of the bell.

PROCESSION

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.**

Silence for reflection and self-examination

P Gracious God,

C **have mercy on us.**

**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, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ.

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 the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

APOSTOLIC 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

(green) LBW #168



L Ky-ri - e e - le - i - son. Chris - te e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.



C Ky - ri - e! God, Fa - ther in heav'n a - bove,



You a - bound in gra - cious love, Of all things the mak - er



and pre - serv - er. E - le - i - son! E - le - i - son!



Ky - ri - e! O Christ, our king, Sal - va - tion for



all you came to bring. O Lord Je - sus, God's own Son, Our me -



di - a - tor at the heav'n - ly throne: Hear our cry and grant our sup -



pli - ca - tion. E - le - i - son! E - le - i - son!

Ky - ri - e! O God the Ho - ly Ghost, Guard our
 faith, the gift we need the most, And bless our life's last hour,
 That we leave this sin - ful world with glad - ness. E - le -
 i - son! E - le - i - son! A - men.

Text: Latin hymn, c. 1100; tr. W. Gustave Polack, 1890–1950, alt.
 Music: "Kyrie fons bonitatis," c. 800, adapt.

KYRIE, GOTT VATER
 PM

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son.

Help us to hear your word and obey it,
 and bring your saving love to fruition in our lives,
 through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sil.

✠ WORD ✠

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55:1–9

Ho, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and you that have no money,
come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.

²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.

³Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵See, you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

⁶Seek the LORD while he may be found,
call upon him while he is near;

⁷let the wicked forsake their way,
and the unrighteous their thoughts;

let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

⁸For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.

⁹For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

☐ The Word of the Lord.

☑ **Thanks be to God.**

ANTIPHON: O God, eagerly I seek you, my soul thirsts for you.

- L** O God, you are my God; eager- | ly I seek you;*
 my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,
 as in a barren and dry land where there | is no water.
- C** **Therefore I have gazed upon you in your | holy place,***
that I might behold your power | and your glory.
- L** For your lovingkindness is better than | life itself,*
 my lips shall | give you praise.
- C** **So will I bless you as long | as I live***
and lift up my hands | in your name.
- L** My soul is content, as with mar- | row and fatness,*
 and my mouth praises you with | joyful lips,
- C** **when I remember you up- | on my bed,***
and meditate on you in | the night watches.
- L** For you have | been my helper,*
 and under the shadow of your wings I | will rejoice.
- C** **My soul | clings to you;***
your right hand | holds me fast.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 10:1–13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ²and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

⁶Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.” ⁸We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. ¹⁰And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. ¹¹These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. ¹²So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. ¹³No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

- L** The Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

We stand and sing.

GOSPEL VERSE: Matthew 4:17

Robert Buckley Farlee



C Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.



Save us as you prom-ised; we will trust your word.

Choir Jesus began to proclaim,
“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

C **REFRAIN**

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 13:1–9

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

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

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. ²He asked them, “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? ³No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. ⁴Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them — do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? ⁵No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.”

⁶Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. ⁷So he said to the gardener, ‘See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?’ ⁸He replied, ‘Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. ⁹If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

We sit.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SERMON: Incidents and Accidents

Pastor David R. Lyle
Luke 13:1–9

We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY: Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

(green) **LBW #343**



1 Guide me ev - er, great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain where the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but you are might - y; hold me with your
wa - ters flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me all my
fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me safe on



pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer, strong de - liv - 'rer,
Ca - naan's side. Songs and prais - es, songs and prais - es,



feed me now and ev - er - more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
shield me with your might - y arm, shield me with your might - y arm.
I will raise for - ev - er - more, I will raise for - ev - er - more.

Text: William Williams, 1717–1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722–1796, alt.
Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932



NICENE CREED

P Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each petition concludes:

A Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
Trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

✠ MEAL ✠

PEACE OF CHRIST

☐ The peace of the Lord be with you always.

☑ And also with you.

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

We sit.

OFFERING/ VOLUNTARY: Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

Robert Hobby

Giving is one of the ways we participate in all that God is doing through Grace.

Visit GraceRiverForest.org to give online.

We stand and sing as the gifts are presented.

OFFERTORY HYMN: Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, and
take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store un - to me the joy of

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men

Text: Psalm 51:10-12
 Music: FRANCKE, J. A. Freylinghausen, 1670-1739

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A** Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C** we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

¶ It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. You bid your people cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast. Renew our zeal in faith and life, and bring us to the fullness of grace that belongs to the children of God. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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



Heav'n 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.

¶ Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth, for you have had mercy on us and given your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for the priceless grace you have bestowed upon us through Jesus Christ, who died upon the tree of Calvary and rose again to make us living branches, drawing our life from him and bearing fruit in all the world.

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.

Send your Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth and power,
to renew our faith as we receive our crucified and risen Lord
who comes to us in his body and blood.

All honor and glory are yours, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church, now and forever.

C Amen.

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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.**

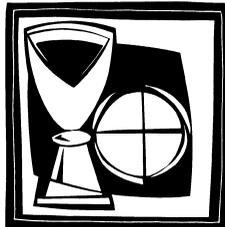
**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**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.

C Thanks be to God.

P Come, for all is now ready.



We sit.

AGNUS DEI

O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a-way the sin of the world,
have mer - cy up - on us! O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak -
est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us!
O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a-way the sin of the world,
grant us thy peace! A - men

COMMUNION

Our Lord Jesus Christ welcomes you to this meal of the baptized. The crucified and risen Christ is present in the Lord's Supper, giving us his true body and blood as food and drink.

If you are wearing a face covering, please remove it as you approach the head of the aisle, where we receive the consecrated wafer and then drink from one of the individual cups.

Non-alcoholic wine is in the center of the tray.

Those with a gluten allergy may pick up a gluten-free host from the table at the head of the aisle.

MUSIC FOR THE COMMUNION

HYMN: O Living Bread from Heaven

(green) LBW #197

1 O liv - ing Bread from heav - en, how well you feed your guest!
2 My Lord, you here have led me with - in your ho - liest place,
3 You gave me all I want - ed; this food can death de - stroy.
4 Lord, grant me then, thus strength - ened with heav'n - ly food, while here

The gifts that you have giv - en have filled my heart with rest.
and here your - self have fed me with trea - sures of your grace;
And you have free - ly grant - ed the cup of end - less joy.
my course on earth is length - ened, to serve with ho - ly fear.

Oh, won - drous food of bless - ing, oh, cup that heals our woes!
for you have free - ly giv - en what earth could nev - er buy,
My Lord, I do not mer - it the fa - vor you have shown,
And when you call my spir - it to leave this world be - low,

My heart, this gift pos - sess - ing, with prais - es o - ver - flows!
the bread of life from heav - en, that now I shall not die.
and all my soul and spir - it bow down be - fore your throne.
I en - ter, through your mer - it, where joys un - min - gled flow.

(8:30) **ANTHEM:** Like as the Hart Desireth the Waterbrooks

Herbert Howells

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God.
My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God.
When shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
My tears have been my meat day and night, while they daily say unto me,
“Where is now thy God?”

Psalm 42:1–3

We stand.

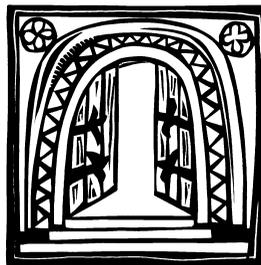
POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C** **Amen.**
- A** Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart,
and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ.
Now send us forth to be your people in the world,
and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore;
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

✠ SENDING ✠

BENEDICTION

- P** Almighty God: Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**



SENDING HYMN: Glories of Your Name Are Spoken

(green) LBW #358



1 Glo - ries of your name are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God;
 2 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e - ter - nal love,
 3 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - 'ring, see the cloud and fire ap - pear
 4 Sav - ior, since of Zi - on's cit - y I through grace a mem - ber am,



he whose word can - not be bro - ken formed you for his own a - bode.
 well sup - ply your sons and daugh - ters, and all fear of want re - move.
 for a glo - ry and a cov - 'ring, show - ing that the Lord is near.
 let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry in your name.



On the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake your sure re - pose?
 Who can faint, while such a riv - er ev - er will their thirst as - suage?
 Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,
 Fad - ing are the world - lings' plea - sures, all their boast - ed pomp and show;



With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, you may smile at all your foes.
 Grace which, like the Lord, the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.
 safe they feed up - on the man - na which God gives them on their way.
 sol - id joys and last - ing trea - sures none but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt.
 Music: AUSTRIA, Franz Joseph Haydn, 1732–1809

DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- B Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Kyrie, God, Holy Ghost, BWV 671

Johann Sebastian Bach

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Troy E. Medlin, presiding minister
The Rev. David R. Lyle, preaching minister
Rich Schubkegel, assisting minister
The Rev. Michael D. Costello, cantor
Paulette Reddel, deacon

8:30

Kathryn Jandeska and Eileen Maggio
Elliot Engebretson and Ryan Koehne

Donna Serpico and Laurie Schubkegel
Mary Rasmusson and Paul Koester
Lois Harb and Donna Serpico
Al Swanson and Anne Claud
Grace Parish Choir

Lectors
Crucifer/Bible Bearer

Altar Guild
Ushers
Gift Bearers
Livestream Audio/Video
Choir

Aiden Koehne and Eunice Eifert
Evelyn Hasenbalg
and Magdalena Keberlein
Ellie Schnack and Gerlinde VanDriesen
Lance and Stephanie Wilkening

11:00

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LET US PRAY. . .

Those who are sick and recovering from illness

Betty Albain	Louis Elia	Phyllis Kersten	Jennifer Murtoff
Diane Amati	Hena Gantepalli	Scott Krueger	Marnie Rourke
Annalise Balock	Erica Charles Garcia	Daniel Lehmann	Pat Scala
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Len Berghaus	Don Heimburger	Carolyn Martin	Jim Scherer
Rosemary Cheatem	Patricia Herendeen	Karen McMahon	Cameron Valencia
Hans Dumpys	Virginia Hillert	Dave Moeller	

Felipe Altamirano (*friend of Cathy and Paul Schnittker*)
Kay Armstrong (*mother of Neal Armstrong*)
Pat B. (*friend of Pat Anderson*)
Javed Bachew (*relative of Susan Franzone*)
James Baglin (*cousin of Cathy Schnittker*)
Greg Ball (*friend of Irmgard Swanson*)
Frances Benson (*sister-in-law of Eunice Spurgat*)
Karen Berglund (*friend of Carol Stanger*)
Lieselotte and Dwayne Borgstrand (*friends of Anne-Marie Bogdan*)
Khadija Bougdim (*friend of Pat Anderson*)
Jamie Carpenter (*cousin of Jay and Scott Christopher*)
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Randy Ernst (*friend of Valerie Spiller*)
Annika Ferguson (*daughter of David Ferguson and Jill Koski*)
James Flutch (*nephew of Valerie Spiller*)
Cindy Sircher Fuchs and family (*friend of Susan Franzone*)
Benjamin Galier (*nephew of Paul May*)
Chandamma Gantepalli (*mother of Hena Gantepalli*)
Evelyn Gasper (*mother of Susan Hickey*)
Luke Gawencka (*friend of Eunice Spurgat*)
Mike Guss (*friend of Lance and Stephanie Wilkening*)
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Mark Redheffer (*son of Virginia Walker*)
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Steve Schmidt (*son of Gick Schmidt*)
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William Van Santen (*father of Ken Van Santen*)
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Verna Walsh (*aunt of Dan and Deanna Marotz*)
Lennon Waspi (*relative of Ann and Ed Mason*)
Bob Weaver (*husband of Gretchen*)
Michael Winters (*friend of Dick and Linda Martens*)
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Daniel Wolfanger (*brother of Lisa Wolfanger*)
Nancy & Dick Woodka (*friends of Susan & David Franzone*)
Randi Woodworth (*sister of Tammy Bretscher*)
Veronica Zurowski (*mother of Tom Zuronski*)

Benevolence ministries

Cabrini Green Legal Aid Clinic

For those who mourn

Joyce Lunde (*friend of Susan Messerli*)

Deborah Wilson (*niece of Carolyn Garber*)

Those serving in the armed services

Kevin Buss (*nephew of Christa Krout*)

Reid Beveridge (*son-in-law of the Schnacks*)

Kellyn Daly (*niece of Heidi and Chad Bohlmann*)

E. Michael Garcia Goetting (*son of Mary Goetting*)

Matthew Garmatz (*grandson of Margaret Garmatz*)

Matthew Grosz (*nephew of Bob and Bonnie Shaner*)

Zachery Grosz (*great-nephew of Bob and Bonnie Shaner*)

John Kibler (*son of April Kibler*)

Bradley Larson (*cousin of Rhea Sprecher*)

Sonny Putman (*nephew of Susan Franzone*)

Rusty Robb (*grandnephew of Margaret Kruse/Roberta Gillespie*)

Matthew Shinkwin (*friend of Eunice Spurgat*)

Christopher W. Sylvester (*grandson of Janet Sylvester*)

Those in the foreign service

Julie Kmet (*friend of Ed and Susan Schumacher*)

Those studying abroad

Benjamin Ho (*Mexico*)

Drew Krueger (*England*)

Colleen Lattyak (*Germany*)

Charlotte Shea (*England*)

Those who are homebound

Jayne Chilton

Carolyn Martin

Christopher Davis

Kathleen Wrobel

Joan Koerber

Those who need encouragement

Bruce Burnside (*friend of Bob and Margaret Burke*) in Oakhill Correctional Center

Cheryl Luchetta (*friend of Joan Koerber*) in Logan Correctional Center

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY, MARCH 20

Library Open for Self-Service8:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Worship Services – Holy Communion. 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School, 3–5-year-olds (Nursery) 9:45 a.m.
Sunday School, Grades 1–6 (3rd floor Commons).. 9:45 a.m.
Confirmation, 7th Grade (Fellowship Hall)..... 9:45 a.m.
Confirmation Mentor Sunday (School Library) 9:45 a.m.
Teen Talk (Youth Center) 9:45 a.m.
Adult Education (Seminar Room)..... 9:45 a.m.
Slovak Mission Team (Conference Room) 12:15 p.m.
New Member Dinner (Fellowship Hall) 4:00 p.m.
Middle School Scavenger Hunt (Offsite) 5:00 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 21

Forward in Faith (Conference Room)6:30 p.m.
Evangelism Committee (1902 Room) 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 22

Grace Bells Rehearsal (Handbell Room).....6:30 p.m.
Scout Troop Meeting (3rd floor Commons) 7:30 p.m.
Board of Spiritual Life (Virtual)..... 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23

School Chapel Service..... 8:25 a.m.
Cornerstones – Bible Study (Church Library)..... 9:30 a.m.
Lent Morning Prayer.....11:00 a.m.
Lenten Supper (Fellowship Hall)..... 6:00 p.m.
Lent Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
GriefShare (Virtual) 7:00 p.m.
Parish Choir Rehearsal (Music Room) 7:45 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 24

Yoga (Fellowship Hall).....6:30 p.m.
Young Adult Theology on Tap (Offsite) 7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 25

Grace School First Look Friday (Atrium)..... 8:30 a.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 26

Bach Cantata Vespers Orchestra Rehearsal..... 9:00 a.m.

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Text a dollar amount to 833-471-1346, Grace's text-to-give number. If you're a first-time text donor, receive a link with instructions about how to complete your donation.

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