



GRACE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

**The Holy Communion
The Fifth Sunday in Lent
April 3, 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.

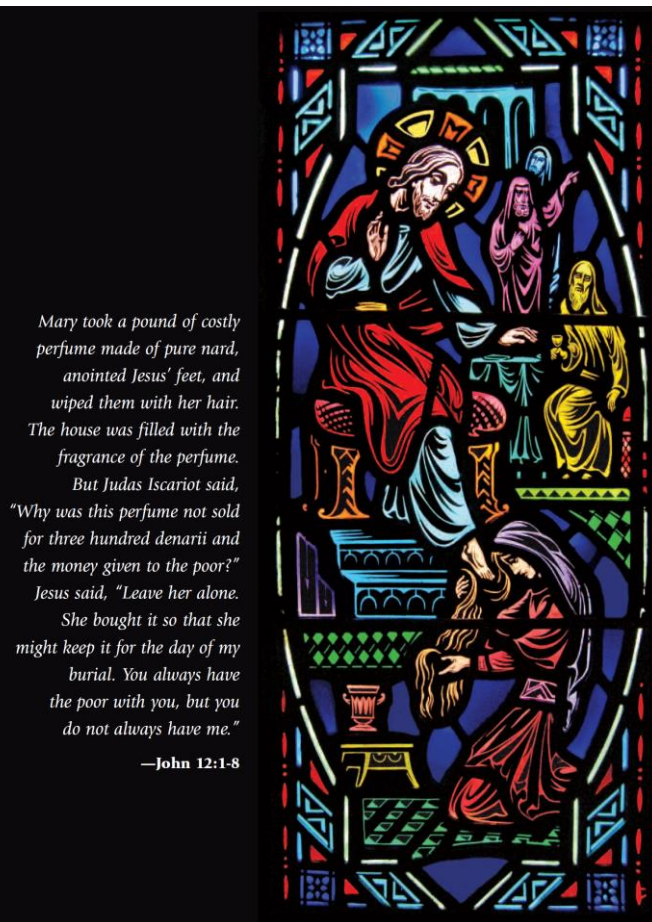
Educational opportunities occur between worship services at 9:45. Topics and locations for classes are listed at the end of this bulletin under "This Week at Grace."

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

God keeps God's promises. We will not be lost forever. The God of our ancestors is the one who acts in history to bring deliverance from exile and freedom from captivity. The exodus reverberates in the memory of the Israelites in Babylon, and they are reminded that God will lead them out of this wilderness too. God is about to do a new thing. The memory of the death of Lazarus, the stench of his body in the tomb, and Jesus calling him back to life is fresh in their minds. He is now seated at their table. Now the stench of perfume fills the air. Mary is anointing Jesus for the day of his own burial just days from now. Placed in a borrowed tomb the stench of death will be interrupted for good by his own resurrection. There, death has become life for all creation. Our foe defeated; we are now invited to be at table with Jesus. Those who sow in tears will reap in shouts of joy.



*Mary took a pound of costly
perfume made of pure nard,
anointed Jesus' feet, and
wiped them with her hair.
The house was filled with the
fragrance of the perfume.
But Judas Iscariot said,
"Why was this perfume not sold
for three hundred denarii and
the money given to the poor?"
Jesus said, "Leave her alone.
She bought it so that she
might keep it for the day of my
burial. You always have
the poor with you, but you
do not always have me."*

—John 12:1-8

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✠ GATHERING ✠

PRELUDE: A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth, BWV 653

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.

Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness,
 and your grace waters our desert.

Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing,
 that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love
 given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

We sit.

✠ WORD ✠

FIRST READING: Isaiah 43:16–21

Thus says the LORD,
who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,
¹⁷who brings out chariot and horse,
army and warrior;
they lie down, they cannot rise,
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
¹⁸Do not remember the former things,
or consider the things of old.
¹⁹I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.
²⁰The wild animals will honor me,
the jackals and the ostriches;
for I give water in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
²¹the people whom I formed for myself
so that they might declare my praise.

℟ The Word of the Lord.

☞ Thanks be to God.

PSALM 126

ANTIPHON: Those who sowed with tears shall reap with joy.

Carl Schalk

℟ When the Lord restored the for- | tunes of Zion,*
then were we like | those who dream.

☞ Then was our mouth | filled with laughter,*
and our tongue with | shouts of joy.

℟ Then they said a- | mong the nations,*
“The Lord has done great | things for them.”

☞ The Lord has done great | things for us,*
and we are | glad indeed.

℟ Restore our for- | tunes, O Lord,*
like the watercourses | of the Negev.

☞ Those who | sowed with tears*
will reap with | songs of joy.

℟ Those who go out weeping, carry- | ing the seed,*
will come again with joy, shoulder- | ing their sheaves.

SECOND READING: Philippians 3:4b–14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

L The Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

We stand and sing.

GOSPEL VERSE: Philippians 3:13–14

Robert Buckley Farlee



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



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

Choir Forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead,
I press on toward the goal for the prize
of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

G REFRAIN

HOLY GOSPEL: John 12:1–8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

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

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor? ⁶(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

We sit.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON: Evocative Memory; Extravagant Love

Pastor Troy E. Medlin
Isaiah 43:16–22; Psalm 126; John 12:1–8



We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY: Christ, the Life of All the Living

(green) **LBW #97**

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of five systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The first system contains three verses. The second system contains the continuation of the first verse. The third system contains the continuation of the first verse. The fourth system contains the continuation of the first verse. The fifth system contains the continuation of the first verse.

1 Christ, the life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the death of death, our foe,
2 You have suf-fered great af - flic - tion and have borne it pa - tient - ly,
3 Then, for all that bought my par-don, for the sor - rows deep and sore,

Christ, your-self for me once giv - ing to the dark - est depths of woe:
e - ven death by cru - ci - fix - ion, ful - ly to a - tone for me;
for the an - guish in the gar - den, I will thank you ev - er - more;

through your suf-f'ring, death, and mer - it life e - ter - nal I in - her - it.
for you chose to be tor - ment - ed that my doom should be pre - vent - ed.
thank you for the groan - ing, sigh - ing, for the bleed - ing and the dy - ing,

Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks are due, dear - est Je - sus, un - to you.
Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks are due, dear - est Je - sus, un - to you.
for that last tri - um - phant cry, praise you ev - er - more on high.

Text: Ernst Christoph Homburg, 1605–1681; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
Music: JESU, MEINES LEBENS LEBEN, *Das grosse Cantional*, Darmstadt, 1687

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

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

We sit.

OFFERING/ VOLUNTARY: Christ, the Life of All the Living

Flor Peeters

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

The musical score is written for a two-part setting (Soprano and Bass) in G minor, 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of staves. The lyrics are: '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'.

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

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:

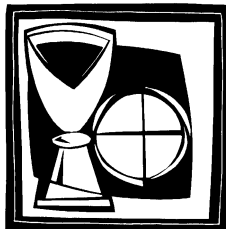
C Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.

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

(11:00) **ANTHEM:** When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Gilbert Martin

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

Isaac Watts, 1674–1748

See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love, so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all! Amen!

HYMN: Jesus, the Very Thought of You

(green) **LBW #316**

1 Je - sus, the ver - y thought of you fills us with sweet de - light;
2 No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the mind re - call
3 O Hope of ev - 'ry con - trite soul, O Joy of all the meek,
4 O Je - sus, be our joy to - day; help us to prize your love;

but sweet-er far your face to view and rest with - in your light.
a sweet-er sound than your blest name, O Sav - ior of us all!
how kind you are to those who fall! How good to those who seek!
grant us at last to hear you say: "Come, share my home a - bove."

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–1878
Music: ST. AGNES, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

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.

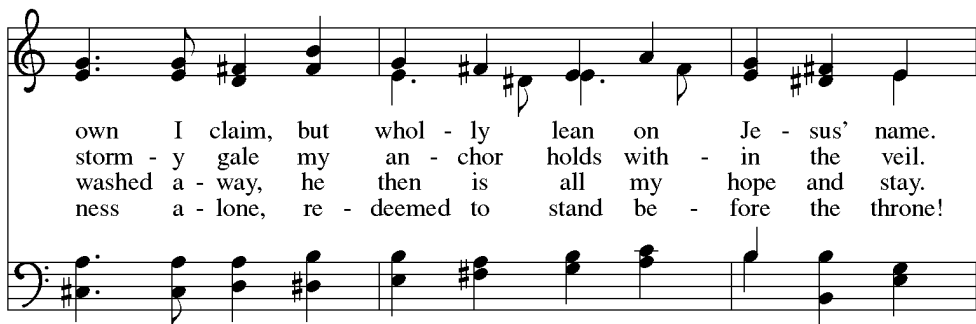
C Amen.

SENDING HYMN: My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

(green) LBW #294

1 My hope is built on noth - ing less than
2 When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I
3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus -
4 When he shall come with trum - pet sound, oh,

Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness; no mer - it of my
rest on his un - chang - ing grace; in ev - 'ry high and
tain me in the rag - ing flood; when all sup - ports are
may I then in him be found, clothed in his righ - teous -



own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 storm - y gale my an - chor holds with - in the veil.
 washed a - way, he then is all my hope and stay.
 ness a - lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Text: Edward Mote, 1797–1874, alt.
 Music: MELITA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE: My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

J. William Greene

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LET US PRAY. . .

Those who are sick and recovering from illness

Betty Albain	Louis Elia	Phyllis Kersten	Marnie Rourke
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Felipe Altamirano (<i>friend of Cathy and Paul Schnittker</i>)	Charlotte Lisius (<i>friend of Gary and Marilyn Wenzel</i>)
Kay Armstrong (<i>mother of Neal Armstrong</i>)	Beth Luebbe and family (<i>sister of Jenny Luebbe</i>)
Pat B. (<i>friend of Pat Anderson</i>)	John Lunde (<i>friend of Susan Messerli</i>)
Javed Bachew (<i>relative of Susan Franzone</i>)	Esther Martz (<i>friend of Susie Calhoun</i>)
Greg Ball (<i>friend of Irmgard Swanson</i>)	Melina Masihi (<i>friend of Chrissy Nelson</i>)
James Beglin (<i>cousin of Cathy Schnittker</i>)	Pam Mattox (<i>friend of many at Grace</i>)
Frances Benson (<i>sister-in-law of Eunice Spurgat</i>)	Stacy Maugans (<i>friend of Jobanna Johnson</i>)
Karen Berglund (<i>friend of Carol Stanger</i>)	Leone, Gracie, and Brian Maxwell (<i>cousins of Tom and Deb Maxwell</i>)
Khadija Bougdim (<i>friend of Pat Anderson</i>)	Dwight Nelson (<i>father of Annalise Nelson Balock</i>)
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Clara Dorsey (<i>mother of Jo-Ellyn Dorsey</i>)	Paul Peters (<i>son-in-law of Robert and Billie Navarre</i>)
Patti and Neal Enslin (<i>friends of Marilyn Heppner</i>)	Elaine Pierce (<i>friend of Al and Irmgard Swanson</i>)
Randy Ernst (<i>friend of Valerie Spiller</i>)	James Powers (<i>friend of Al Swanson</i>)
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Chandramma Gantepalli (<i>mother of Hena Gantepalli</i>)	Sandy Schnittker (<i>sister of Paul Schnittker</i>)
Evelyn Gasper (<i>mother of Susan Hickey</i>)	Mary Lu Shipstad (<i>friend of Marilyn Heppner</i>)
Luke Gawencka (<i>friend of Eunice Spurgat</i>)	Huxley Shoup and family (<i>friends of Marilyn and Ken Heppner</i>)
Ray Grasse (<i>Grace School alum</i>)	Nancy Stelling (<i>friend of Pastor Phyllis Kersten</i>)
Mike Guss (<i>friend of Lance and Stephanie Wilkening</i>)	Lee Stephens (<i>brother of Tony</i>)
Jerry Haase (<i>friend of Mary Margaret Bartley & Stewart Clarke</i>)	Pastor Steve Swanson (<i>friend of Bob and Bonnie Shaner</i>)
Ken Hansen (<i>friend of Bill and Barbara Urbrock</i>)	Russ Tellio (<i>friend of Susan and David Franzone</i>)
Jill Hanssen (<i>niece of Ann Mason</i>)	Ilene Thompson (<i>sister of Marilyn Heppner</i>)
Carol Hartung (<i>mother of Justin Hartung</i>)	William Van Santen (<i>father of Ken Van Santen</i>)
Harry Heppner (<i>brother of Ken Heppner</i>)	Mary Lou Wagoner (<i>sister-in-law of Stan Reddel</i>)
Margaret Hofmaier (<i>mother of Barbara Hofmaier</i>)	Verna Walsh (<i>aunt of Dan and Deanna Marotz</i>)
Alice Hollis (<i>friend of Marge Sanger</i>)	Lennon Waspi (<i>relative of Ann and Ed Mason</i>)
Judy Johnson (<i>Grace School alum</i>)	Bob Weaver (<i>husband of Gretchen</i>)
Derek Kaufman (<i>son of Nancy Kaufman</i>)	Michael Winters (<i>friend of Dick and Linda Martens</i>)
Doug Kelner (<i>friend of Irmgard and Al Swanson</i>)	Karen Wischhusen (<i>sister of Ann Mason</i>)
Patrick Kennedy (<i>friend of Grace Church</i>)	Daniel Wolfanger (<i>brother of Lisa Wolfanger</i>)
Arnold Krubsack (<i>brother of Irmgard Swanson</i>)	Nancy & Dick Woodka (<i>friends of Susan & David Franzone</i>)
Kathryn Krubsack (<i>niece of Irmgard Swanson</i>)	Randi Woodworth (<i>sister of Tammy Bretscher</i>)
Maxx Kusper (<i>friend of Deb Maxwell</i>)	Veronica Zurowski (<i>mother of Tom Zurowski</i>)

For those who mourn the death of . . .

David Balock (*father of Ryan Balock*)

Ron Wagoner (*brother-in-law of Stan Reddel*)

Benevolence ministries

Housing Forward

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*)

Joshua Nelson (*son-in-law of Ted and Maja Anton*)

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*)

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

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Troy E. Medlin, presiding minister
Irmgard Swanson, assisting minister
The Rev. Michael D. Costello, cantor

8:30

Dan Lehmann
Aiden Koehne and Kathryn Jandeska
Ryan Koehne and Meredith Brayton
Marilyn Moehlenkamp and John Lochner
John Sanger and Susan Weber
Paulette and Stan Reddel
Eunice Eifert and Al Swanson

Deacon

Lectors

Crucifer/Bible Bearer

Altar Guild

Ushers

Gift Bearers

Livestream Audio/Video

Choir

11:00

Valerie Stefanic
Sandy Lentz and Mary Beth Logas
Elsa Berg and Sadie Berg
Scott and Linda Street
Gerlinde VanDriesen and Paul Koester
Neal and Esther Armstrong

Grace Parish Choir

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY, APRIL 3

Library Open for Self-Service..... 8:15 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 (Fellowship Hall) 9:45 a.m.
Teen Talk (Youth Center) 9:45 a.m.
Adult Education (Seminar Room) 9:45 a.m.
Heritage Chorale Concert (Sanctuary)..... 4:00 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 4

Property Committee (1902 Room) 7:00 p.m.
Stephen Ministry Training (Conference Room) 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 5

Tuesday Conversations (Conference Room) 10:00 a.m.
Grace Bells Rehearsal (Bell Room) 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

School Chapel..... 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, APRIL 7

Moms of Littles (Youth Center)..... 6:30 p.m.
Yoga (Fellowship Hall) 6:30 p.m.
Social Ministry Committee (Conference Room) 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 8

Finding Hope (Church Library) 10:00 a.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 9

Stephen Ministry Training 8:30 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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