



Welcome to

Grace Lutheran Church and School

Bring in, build up, and send
out disciples for Jesus Christ.



Visitors

Welcome! We are glad you are here.

Read more about worship on the
inside cover of this worship folder.

Fill out the form on the back cover
to tell us more about you.

Worship at Grace

The service is printed in this worship folder.

Hymns are ordinarily in the
green *Lutheran Book of Worship* (LBW)
and blue *With One Voice* (WOV) hymnals.

Information is printed on the next page
about additional resources for worship.

Learn More

Today's insert contains announcements
about ministries of Grace Church and School.

Learn more about Grace by visiting us
online at www.graceriverforest.org.

The Holy Communion

The Transfiguration of Our Lord
March 2, 2025

10:00 a.m.

Welcome to Grace

Welcome 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.

Children's Resources

Activity bags, worship bulletins, and booster seats are available in the narthex and from the ushers.

Nursery Care

The nursery is open and staffed at most 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.

Holy Communion

The crucified and risen Christ is present in the bread and wine of Communion, 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.

Assistance in Worship

For those who find it difficult to stand during any part of the service, please feel free to remain seated. 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.

Electronic Devices

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

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.

Altar Flowers

Flowers may be sponsored to honor the memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion. Please see the front desk for details.

As We Gather

As we do every year right before Lent, we go up the Mount of Transfiguration. Once more, we see Jesus transfigured. With Moses and Elijah, Jesus is revealed in his glory. What begins as a pleasant pastime for the disciples turns to terror. They are overshadowed, overwhelmed, afraid. But just as Jesus does not allow them to remain in a pleasant mountaintop reverie, so does he not allow them to remain afraid. They journey back down, into the demonic and the broken, but Jesus is with them. This changes everything. A few details are unique to Luke's narration of this scene. First, the bit about the eight days. Are we being shown the eighth day, the new day, of creation? And only here do they speak of Jesus' departure or, more precisely, his exodus. Jesus sets his face toward Jerusalem, where by his death and resurrection he will finally set us free from bondage to sin and death. You who are overwhelmed now in fear will not be left behind. Jesus is with you.



✠ GATHERING ✠

PRELUDE: Fugue in C minor, BWV 537b

Johann Sebastian Bach

We stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just
will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will

and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. 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.

ENTRANCE HYMN: Oh, Wondrous Type! Oh, Vision Fair

(green) **LBW #80**

1 Oh, won - drous type! Oh, vi - sion fair
 2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah nigh
 3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray,
 4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high
 5 O Fa - ther, with the_e - ter - nal Son

of glo - ry that the church may share,
 the_in - car - nate Lord holds con - verse high;
 Christ deigns to man - i - fest to - day
 by this great vi - sion's mys - ter - y;
 and Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er one,

which Christ up - on the moun - tain shows,
 and from the cloud, the Ho - ly One
 what glo - ry shall be theirs a - bove
 for which in joy - ful strains we raise
 we pray you, bring us by your grace

where bright - er than the sun he glows!
 bears rec - ord to the on - ly Son.
 who joy in God with per - fect love.
 the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.
 to see your glo - ry face to face.

Text: Sarum, 15th cent.; tr. John M. Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
 Music: DEO GRATIAS, English, 15th cent.

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE: Glory to God in the Highest

The musical score is written on eight staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing rests. The lyrics are written below the staves, aligned with the notes. The text is: "Glo - ry to God in the high-est and peace to God's peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fath-er, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry. Glo - ry to God in the high-est and peace to God's peo-ple on earth. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fath-er, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fath - er: re -". The score ends with a double bar line.

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ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God in the high-est and
 peace to God's peo-ple on earth. For you a - lone are the
 Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of
 God - the Fath - er. A - - - men. Glo - ry to
 God in the high-est and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing,
 yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.

Transform us into the likeness of your Son,
 who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity,
 Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

We sit.

✝ WORD ✝

FIRST READING: Exodus 34:29–35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. ³⁰When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. ³²Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. ³³When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; ³⁴but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

℣ The Word of the Lord

☩ **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 99

Michael D. Costello

ANTIPHON: Proclaim the greatness of the Lord; worship upon God's holy hill.

℣ The LORD is King; let the | people tremble.*

He is enthroned upon the cherubim; let | the earth shake.

☩ **The LORD is | great in Zion;***

he is high | above all peoples.

℣ Let them confess his name, which is | great and awesome;*

he is the | Holy One.

☩ **"O mighty King, lover of justice, you have | established equity;***

you have executed justice and righteous- | ness in Jacob."

℣ Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and fall down be- | fore his footstool;*

he is the | Holy One.

☩ **Moses and Aaron among his priests,**

and Samuel among those who call up- | on his name,*

they called upon the LORD, and he | answered them.

℣ He spoke to them out of the pil- | lar of cloud;*

they kept his testimonies and the decree | that he gave them.

☩ **O LORD our God, you answered | them indeed;***

you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their | evil deeds.

℣ Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and worship him upon his | holy hill;*

for the LORD our God is the | Holy One.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 3:12—4:2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, ¹³not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. ¹⁴But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. ¹⁵Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; ¹⁶but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

^{4:1}Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart.

²We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

L The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

We stand.

GOSPEL VERSE: Luke 9:35

John Ferguson

Choir Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

C **REFRAIN** (*below*)



Choir This is my Son, my Chosen, listen to him!

C **REFRAIN**



HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 9:28–36

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

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

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" — not knowing what he said. ³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen listen to him!" ³⁶When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

We sit.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON: Exodus Down the Mountain

Pastor David R. Lyle

Luke 9:28–36

We stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY: How Good, Lord to Be Here!

(green) **LBW #89**



1 How good, Lord, to be here! Your glo - ry fills the night;
2 How good, Lord, to be here, your beau - ty to be - hold
3 Ful - fill - er of the past and hope of things to be,
4 Be - fore we taste of death, we see your king - dom come;
5 How good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not re - main;



your face and gar - ments, like the sun, shine with un - bor - rowed light.
where Mo - ses and E - li - jah stand, your mes - sen - gers of old.
we hail your bod - y glo - ri - fied and our re - demp - tion see.
we long to hold the vi - sion bright and make this hill our home.
but since you bid us leave the mount, come with us to the plain.

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;

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

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.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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.

G And also with you.

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

We sit.

OFFERING/ANTHEM: Christ Upon the Mountain Peak

Paul Bouman

Christ upon the mountain peak stands alone in glory blazing;
Let us, if we dare to speak, with the saints and angels praising. Alleluia.

Trembling at his feet we saw Moses and Elijah speaking.
All the prophets and the Law shout through them their joyful greeting. Alleluia.

Swift the cloud of glory came, God proclaiming in its thunder
Jesus as the Son by name! Nations cry aloud in wonder! Alleluia.

This is God's beloved Son! Law and prophets sing before him;
First and last and only One. All creation shall adore him! Alleluia.

Brian Wren

We stand and sing as the gifts are presented.

OFFERTORY VERSE: 1 John 3:2–3

David N. Johnson

Beloved, we are God's children now; it does not yet appear what we shall be,
but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.
And all who thus hope in him purify themselves as he is pure.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray. Merciful Father,

G 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. Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light. 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, God of pow'r and might:



Heav- en and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



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, O holy God: you are the Life and Light of all.
By your powerful word you created all things.
Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.
Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son.
He is your Light, shining in our darkness
and revealing to us your mercy and might.
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.
Remembering, therefore,
his preaching and healing,
his dying and rising,
and his promise to come again,
we await that day when all the universe
will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.
By your Spirit bless us and this meal,
that, refreshed with this heavenly food,
we may be light for the world,
revealing the brilliance of your Son.
Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever.

❏ **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



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



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



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION

*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.*

*We receive communion at the head of the center aisle, receiving the consecrated bread
and then drinking directly from the chalice or dipping the bread into the wine (intinction).*

*Those choosing individual cups will find non-alcoholic wine in the center of the tray.
Those with a gluten allergy may ask the pastor for a gluten-free host.*

Anointing with oil for healing *is offered during the distribution of communion.*

*After receiving communion, come to the anointing station at the head of either side aisle
for prayer and anointing as a tangible sign of God's promise of wholeness for you.*

*Your need may be healing from physical illness, spiritual or emotional distress, grief, loss, or
anxiety, for yourself or a family member.*

MUSIC FOR THE COMMUNION

ANTHEM: O Splendor of God's Glory Bright

Thomas Tallis
arr. Brenda Portman

O Splendor of God's glory bright,
O living Spring of light from light:
Come, very Sun of truth and love;
Come with your radiance from above.

Teach us to love with all our might;
Drive envy out, remove all spite;
Turn to the good each troubling care,
And give us grace your name to bear.

As dawn speeds on across the sky,
True Dawn, with haste come from on high.
O Word, through whom light came to be,
Come in your power and set us free.

All glory be to God Most High;
To God the Son let praises rise;
The Spirit blest let us adore
Forever and forevermore.

Ambrose of Milan, 340-397, tr. Martin A Seltz

HYMN: You, Lord Are Both Lamb and Shepherd

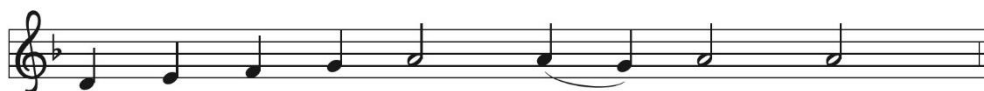
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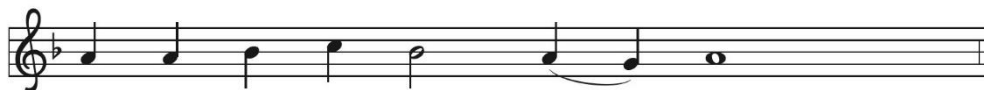
1 You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shep - herd.
2 Clothed in light up - on the moun - tain,
3 You, who walk each day be - side us,
4 Wor - thy is our earth - ly Je - sus!



You, Lord, are both prince and slave.
stripped of might up - on the cross,
sit in pow - er at God's side,
Wor - thy is our cos - mic Christ!



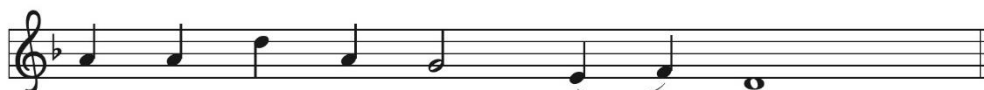
You, peace - mak - er and sword - bring - er
shin - ing in e - ter - nal glo - ry,
You, who preach a way that's nar - row,
Wor - thy your de - feat and vic - t'ry;



of the way you took and gave.
beg - gared by a sol - dier's toss,
have a love that reach - es wide.
wor - thy still your peace and strife.



You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
you, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;
You, the ev - er - last - ing in - stant;



you, whom we both scorn and crave.
you, who are both gift and cost.
you, who are our pil - and grim guide.
you, who are our death and life.

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 Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God,
that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life;
and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us through this gift,
in faith toward you and fervent love toward one another;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

✠ SENDING ✠

We stand.

BENEDICTION

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

C Amen.



SENDING HYMN: Alleluia, Song of Gladness

(blue) **WOV #654**



- A 1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of glad - ness, voice of joy that can-not die;
A 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Lead our prais - es, true Je - ru - sa - lem and free;
Choir 3 Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways be our song while here be - low;
A 4 In our hymns we pray with long - ing: Grant us, bless-ed Trin - i - ty,



al - le - lu - ia is the an - them ev - er dear to choirs on high;
 al - le - lu - ia, joy - ful moth - er, bring us to your ju - bi - lee;
 al - le - lu - ia our trans-gres-sions make us for a while for - go;
 at the last to keep glad Eas - ter with the faith-ful saints on high;



in the house of God a - bid - ing thus they sing e - ter - nal - ly.
 but by Bab - y - lon's sad wa - ters mourn-ing ex - iles now are we.
 for the sol - emn time is com-ing when our tears for sin shall flow.
 there to you for - ev - er sing-ing al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly.

Text: Latin hymn 11th cent.; tr. John M. Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
 Music: PRAISE, MY SOUL, John Goss, 1800–1880

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE: Alleluia, Song of Gladness

Michael D. Costello

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Troy E. Medlin, presiding minister

The Rev. David R. Lyle, preaching minister

Deborah Maxwell, assisting minister

Paulette Reddel, deacon

Grace Parish Choir, choir

The Rev. Michael D. Costello, cantor

Grace Women's Choir, choir

Gwen Gotsch, conductor

Sandy Lentz, Kathryn Jandeska, lectors

Grant Kuipers, Mikey Starrick, crucifer/book bearer

Dan Lehmann, Beth Reynolds, gift bearers

Bob Jandeska, Diana Sicuro, anointers

Martin Becker, Susan Scherer, Alex Tan, Gerlinde VanDriesen, ushers

Christina Starrick, Donna Serpico, altar guild

Neal Armstrong, Susan Bogner, Ann Mason, greeters

George Hogenson, Al Swanson, livestream audio/video

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LET US PRAY...

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Eleanor Teglia (*granddaughter Art Gustafson*)

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Tara Zinger (*friend of Jennifer Staples*)

Benevolence ministries

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In thanksgiving for

The birth of **Clara Mae Helton** (*daughter of Chris Helton and Elizabeth Zyer, granddaughter of Dave and Connie Zyer*)

For those who mourn

Martin Marty (*friend of Dean and Beverly Lueking*)

Neal Enslin (*friend of Marilyn Heppner*)

Those serving in the armed services

Kevin Buss (*nephew of Christa Krout*)

Matthew Garmatz (*grandson of Margaret Garmatz*)

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

John Kibler (*son of April Kibler*)

Zachary Larsen (*grandson of Karen and Richard McMahon*)

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

Miles Powell (*grandson of Bob and Bonnie Shaner*)

Sonny Putman (*nephew of Susan Franzone*)

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

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Those studying abroad

Charlotte Meyer (*Iceland*)

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Those who are homebound

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Those who need encouragement

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

Prayer requests can be made through the church office. Contact Esther Armstrong (earmstrong@gracriverforest.org) to be included in the weekly prayers. For more private prayer concerns, please contact Kathy Lucht (kathy.lucht@gmail.com) to be added to the confidential prayer chain.

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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY, MARCH 2

No Grace Gathers, Sunday School, or Confirmation
Library Open (self-service) **9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**
Adult Bible Study (Conference Room) **9:00 a.m.**
Worship – Holy Communion **10:00 a.m.**
All-Church Brunch (Fellowship Hall) **11:15 a.m.**

TUESDAY, MARCH 4

Breakfast Group (Conference Room) **10:15 a.m.**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

School Chapel – Holy Communion – Ashes **8:25 a.m.**
Cornerstones (Church Library) **10:00 a.m.**
Ash Wednesday – Holy Communion – Ashes **11:30 a.m.**
Ash Wednesday – Holy Communion – Ashes **7:00 p.m.**
Parish Choir Rehearsal (Music Room) **8:15 p.m.**

THURSDAY, MARCH 6

Grief Share (Church Library) **10:00 a.m.**
Moms of Littles (Church Library) **6:30 p.m.**
Yoga (Fellowship Hall) **6:30 p.m.**
Social Ministry (Conference Room) **7:30 p.m.**
Women’s Choir Rehearsal (Music Room) **7:30 p.m.**

FRIDAY, MARCH 7

GLS 5/6 Gr. Shakespeare Play (Fellowship Hall) **7:00 p.m.**

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