

Grace Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

News & Notes

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Praying for: Allen Anderson, Charlotte Harroun, Rick Steward, and Liz Niemann.

Pastor Eric wishes to keep you all in prayer. Please contact him when there is hospitalization, death in your family, you would like him to visit, or you have recently become homebound. Thank you!

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE February 25th — March 3rd

Second Sunday in Lent

Setting: Divine Service Setting 1, pg 151

Hymns: 425 437 433

**Glory Bound Choir directed by Julie Matzen
Accompanist Connie Vickers — "O Sacred Head"**

Readings: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Romans 5:1-11
Mark 8:27-38

Gifts, Tithes & Offerings for 2/18/2024

To fully fund our church budget we need \$7,116.00 weekly.

	Amount
Simply Giving	\$ 1,030.00
Tithes & Offering	\$ 2,546.00
Total	\$ 3,576.00

Weekly Shortage \$ 3,540.00

Attendance for the week of 02/18/2024

Wednesday Worship	
11:00 a.m.	38
7:00 p.m.	111
Sunday Worship	
8:00 a.m.	64
10:30 a.m.	60
Total	273

Church Calendar February 28th—March 3rd

2/25/2024	8:00 AM	Traditional Worship
	9:15 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
	10:30 AM	Praise Worship
2/26/2024	2:00 PM	CLUB345
	9:30 AM	Havener - Bible Study
2/27/2024	6:30 PM	Board of Christian Education
	10:00 AM	Lieving's - Bible Study
	6:00 PM	Stamp's—Bible Study
2/28/2024	6:00 PM	Preschool Family Night
	7:00 PM	Engelkes - Bible Study
	10:30 AM	Service @ Fieldstone
	11:00 AM	Lenten Worship
	5:30 PM	Confirmation
2/29/2024	5:30 PM	Lenten Meal - Taco in a Bag
	6:30 PM	Glory Bound Choir
	7:00 PM	Lenten Worship
	9:00 AM	Tops Meeting
3/1/2024	9:30 AM	Stay Active Senior Exercise Group
	8:00 AM	Trustees Board Meeting
3/3/2024	9:30 AM	Steffens' - Bible Study
	8:00 AM	Traditional Worship w/Communion
	9:15 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
	10:30 AM	Traditional Worship w/Communion
	5:00 PM	Lasagna Dinner Fundraiser



Altar flowers were by Allison Lafever in honor of Seth Barry and in memory of Ruth Schroeder.



Easter Lilies are being ordered through the church office. If you would like to place one in the sanctuary in honor or in memory of someone, please complete an order form located on the Welcome Center. All orders need to be placed by March 6th.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25th

8:00 a.m. Service

Organist: Diana Baetke
Elder: Alan Rugeberg
Acolyte: Trevor McMahon

10:30 a.m. Service

Music: Praise Band
Elder: Jon Betz
Acolyte: Easton Meyers

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28th

11:00 a.m. Service

Organist: Diana Baetke
Elder: Scott Steffens

7:00 p.m. Service

Organist: Tasha Becker
Elder: Clint Albrecht
Acolyte: Amelia Rickertsen

SUNDAY, MARCH 3rd

8:00 a.m. Service

Organist: Diana Baetke
Elder: Alan Rugeberg
Acolyte: Porter Vopatek

10:30 a.m. Service

Organist: Diana Baetke
Elder: Jon Betz
Acolyte: Kinley Albrecht

ONE OF THE BIGGEST PROBLEMS IN THE WORLD IS THAT MANY OF US SPEND FAR MORE TIME LISTENING TO THE LIES OF THE ENEMY THAN TO THE TRUTH OF THE GOSPEL.

#BEINGCHALLENGE

The BEING Challenge continues to gain momentum. After our focus on Commit to Community last week, this week we dig into the keystone habit of Studying Scripture. Studying Scripture helps us discover who God is and who we are. As we consume the scriptures, it transforms us and when we're transformed by God, we help change the world.

Coordinators Needed for Summer Night Out – We have several people helping in the planning of this community event. We are in need of someone to help with the coordination of a petting zoo and someone to coordinate a Christian music playlist (for example, upbeat Christian music being played on KLove/Air1 radio or The Message on SXM). A sign-up form is available on the bulletin board located in the church foyer or you can contact Kristy Engelkes at 563-210-2462. The next Summer Night Out Planning meeting is scheduled for March 18 at 6:00PM at the church.

Volunteers for the day of the event - Be on the lookout in April/May for further volunteer opportunities for the day of the event.

Victory Center Service Event

March 21st is our next service event at the Victory Center in Clinton. We will be serving a soup and salad dinner this month. Volunteers are needed to prepare soup, salads, desserts and individuals to help serve the meal. A sign-up sheet is located on the Welcome Center.

GRACE YOUTH'S FAMOUS LASAGNA DINNER

Our annual Youth Lasagna Dinner will be held on **Sunday, March 3rd**. Reservations will be taken through the morning of the 3rd. Call the church office or stop by the table in the foyer to make a reservation. There are two reservation times: 5:00 pm & 6:15 pm.

Lent



Lenten Midweek Services
February 28th and
March 6th, 13th, & 20th
11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

LENTEN MEAL SCHEDULE
Wednesday's @ 5:30 p.m.
Free Will Donation
February 28th - Board of Finance/Trustees
Taco in a Bag

Greeters & Ushers

Greeters are needed to help welcome members and guests before worship services. Please, look at the sign-up sheet on the Welcome center and sign up for a date that works for you.

Ushers are needed to assist the Elders during services. If you are interested in helping Usher please see the sign up sheet located on the Welcome Center. Fill in you name, contact number and what service you could assist with. The Elders will use the list to line up Ushers for services.

BLOOD DRIVE

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Grace Lutheran Church
Monday, March 18th
2:30 pm to 6:30 pm
Fellowship Hall – 415 10th Street, DeWitt
Walk Ins Welcome!
To schedule an appointment, please call
Kerry Good at 563-659-9153 or scan the QR code.



Blood donors make a difference. Donate & get your pick from great gifts.
T-shirt OR Bonus Points
OR a donation to National Forest Foundation.



Please eat before donating and bring Photo ID.
Last Date to Donate Elsewhere: 1/18/2024
Group Sponsor Code: 1134



Mark your Calendar for the LWML Rally. Grace will be hosting the Lutheran Women Missionary League Rally on Saturday, April 6th. It will start with breakfast from 8:00 to 9:00 am. We will have a Bible study, special guest speaker Michele Diercks, a short business meeting and singing. We could use help on Friday morning (April 5th to set up and on the 6th to help serve breakfast. Please call Sandy Anderson at 563-321-008 to volunteer to help or learn more about this event.