



February 2026 Worship Assistants

 Date	Organist	Lower Greeter	Usher 1	Usher 2	Elevator	Acolyte	 Elder
Feb. 1 8:30 AM	Matthew Frerking	Jordan & Brittany Hoffman	Ron Klaus	Caleb Vonderfecht	Dakota Zimmerman	Phoenix Chambers	Dennis Meredith
Feb. 1 11:00 AM	Matthew Frerking	Eric & Kathy Engelman	Eric Engelman	Fritz Reese	Kasen Pfingsten	Easton Schmidt	Kevin Ebke
Feb. 8 8:30 AM	Barb Bedlan	Dwight & Barb Schmidt	Dwight Schmidt	Alan Dux	Madison Haddan	Makenna Haddan	Mike Lofing
Feb. 8 11:00 AM	Barb Bedlan	Jason & Megan Grant	Tom Furrow	Charles Endorf	Jacob Nippert	Carter Peterson	Bob DeWald
Feb. 15 8:30 AM	Barb Bedlan	Jim & Mildred Maschman	Andy Kettelhut		Alecia Bedlan	Jadon Hoffman	Schaun Schroeder
Feb. 15 11:00 AM	Barb Bedlan	Elsie Houser & Linda Medina	Trevor Steinmeyer		Paisley Steinmeyer	Jackson Steinmeyer	Jared Weers
Feb. 18 4:00 PM	Ruth Orth	Bill & Pris Stelling	Bill Stelling			Andi Austin	Gregg Roesler
Feb. 18 6:30 PM	Ruth Orth	Greg & Mellissa Neeman	Greg Neeman		Aubrie Hynek	Edith Neeman	Brian Schmidt
Feb. 22 8:30 AM	Josiah Rabe	Rick & Shannon Robertson	Mark Kettelhut		Mackenzie Peitzmeyer	Kinley Schoenrock	Dennis Meredith
Feb. 22 11:00 AM	Josiah Rabe	Randy & Linda Smith	Jason Luebbe		Logan Wentz	Kinsley Arnold	Mike Grummert
Feb. 25 4:00 PM	Barb Bedlan	Glen & Shirley Rogers	John Hammer			Rorie Hynek	Gregg Roesler
Feb. 25 6:30 PM	Barb Bedlan	Barry & Connie Schouboe	Ted Luebbe		Jack Koenig	Owen Schmidt	Jared Weers

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If you are unable to be in attendance on the day you are scheduled to serve, PLEASE trade with someone on the list or anyone else you know.
 Thank you!



February Altar Guild

Carol Blobaum
 Jan Klaus
 Cindy Melcher
 Blaikley Hynek

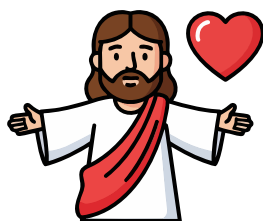


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SUNDAY WORSHIP
8:30 AM and 11:00 AM
Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
9:45 AM
HOLY COMMUNION
First & Second Sunday of the Month



The Book of Job:

Blessed be the Name of the Lord

One of the Bible's greatest wisdom books is the book of Job. This Lent we are going to explore this magnificent composition that is numbered among some of the greatest literature of all time. Nine sermons will help us dig deeply into Job's central message and supporting truths.

We all suffer—personally and privately. We also suffer in more public ways. A husband loses a job. A child gets divorced. A parent dies. And now, thanks to the media, we are able to see and experience more and more of the world's catastrophes and suffering. We need the book of Job, now, more than ever.

Martin Luther asserted that "Job is magnificent and sublime as no book of Scripture." Others have called Job "the Shakespeare of the Bible." Yet the early Christian scholar Jerome perhaps put it best when he called the book of Job an "eel," since the more one tries to contain it, the slipperier it becomes! The purpose of our Lenten emphasis is to learn how to apply Job to our lives, so that the book becomes less like an eel and more like a loving companion through life's dark valleys. Preaching plans are as follows:

The Book of Job:

Blessed be the Name of the Lord!

Ash Wednesday, "Flying Blind" (Job 1:1–12)

Lent 1, "Sweet Surrender" (Job 1:13–21)

Lent 2, "Learning to Lament" (Job 3:1–26)

Lent 3, "It is Enough" (Job 14:1–14)

Lent 4, "Understanding How it all Works Together" (Job 23:1–17)

Lent 5, "God Speaks in the Storm" (Job 38:1–11)

Palm Sunday, "On Earth is not his Equal!" (Job 41:20–34)

Good Friday, "Tearing Down the Spite House" (Job 42:7–9)

The Resurrection of Our Lord, "I Know that My Redeemer Lives!" (Job 19:23–26)



MIDWEEK & CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Midweek classes meet on Wednesdays, from 4:00-5:15 pm. Confirmation Class will meet on Friday, February 20 at 2:15-4:15 PM.



YOUTH GROUP

Wed. Feb. 4 High School Youth Night
6:30 PM-7:30 PM Supper & Devotion

Wed. Feb. 11 Junior High Youth Night
6:30 PM-7:30 PM Supper & Devotion

MEETING

COMMITTEE & COUNCIL MEETING

Elders will meet on Tuesday, February 10 at 6:30 pm followed by the Church Council meeting at 7:30 pm. Reports are due in the office by Monday, February 2.

Ash Wednesday is February 18th. Imposition of Ashes will take place that day, 7:00-8:00 AM, 12:00-1:00 PM, and 3:30-4:00 PM.



Worship Service

Heritage and Gardenside Worship will be held on Thursday, February 19th. Heritage will be held at 10:00 am and Gardenside at 10:45 am. Come and join the residents in worship and visit with them!

Cedarwood Worship will be held on Sunday, February 8, at 1:30 pm. Come and join the residents in worship and visit with them!



Sponsors are needed for our Lenten Food and Fellowship. Please consider hosting a date either as an individual or a group. Open dates are February 18, 25th, March 11th, and 18th. Thank you!

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Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

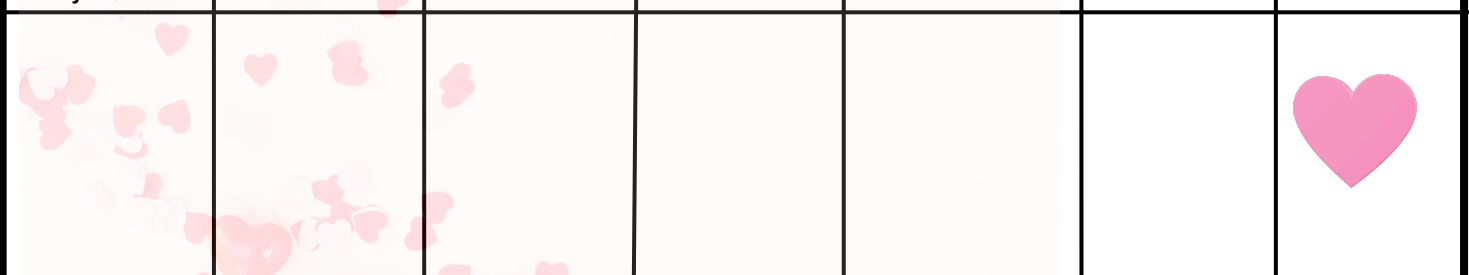
Some wonder about me. You see I've been on a short journey walking in the sands on the seashore with God by my side. During this short trip I became tired, weak and ill. Stooped-looking down I only saw one set of prints. Looked up and said, "God, you said you would walk with me." God responded, saying, "my son, I'm here, I've been carrying you for awhile already and I will continue until you can walk again. Just do what I ask, trust me and keep your faith. Short time later, we continued, but saw blank spaces in my prints. Looked up - God's response, the same, I finally saw less blanks in my prints. God's final words were "I will never leave you, nor forsake you as we move forward on this short journey."

God Bless You all.

Don Haake



February 2026 at Grace Lutheran

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Worship Services with Holy Communion 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:45 AM Be Still Bible Study- 1:00 PM	2	3 Men's Breakfast 8AM Circuit Pastors' Meeting Superior-11:30 AM Bible Break - 12 Noon LWML - 1:30 PM	4 Midweek 4:00-5:15 PM	5	6	7
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15 Worship Services 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:45 Be Still Bible Study 1:00 PM Ladies Day Out- 2:00 PM	16	17 Men's Breakfast 8AM Bible Break 12 Noon	18 Midweek 4:00-5:15 Lent Meal 5:00 Worship Service 4:00 PM & 6:30 PM <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	19 Heritage Service- 10:00 AM Gardenside Service- 10:45 AM Ladies Aide- 1:30 PM	20 Confirmation 2:15-4:15 PM	21
22 Worship Services 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:45 AM Be Still Bible Study 1:00 PM	23	24 Men's Breakfast 8AM Bible Break 12 Noon	25 Midweek 4:00-5:15 PM Lent 1 Worship Service 4:00 & 6:30 PM Lent Meal- 5:00 PM	26	27	28
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LADIES - MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

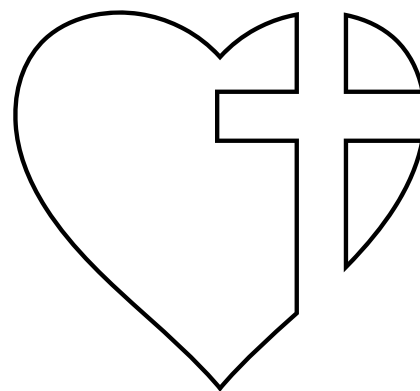
Saturday, March 21, our first ever women's retreat held right here at Grace! National speaker and author, Christina Hergenrader, will be here to explore Luke 1 through the relationship of Mary and Elisabeth. See what their story reveals about strong, life-giving relationships. The three sessions will be based upon Christina's book, "Inspired by the Holy Spirit - Four Habits for Faithful Living. Topics presented will be Peace: Resting in God's promises through life's interruptions (Luke 1:26-38), Love: How encouragement and shared stories shape courage and clarity and Sisterhood: Showing up for one another and recognizing God's work through other women. The presentation, snacks, the noon sit-down lunch (served by the men of the congregation!), and a free book are included with your registration fee of \$20. Please watch for registration details coming soon. Space will be limited so register early!

Christina Hergenrader is an author, speaker, and certified executive coach who helps people find clarity, courage, and grace in their everyday lives. Her work blends storytelling, emotional insight, and a deep understanding of how faith shapes our real-world struggles. For more than 25 years, she has encouraged readers and audiences who are navigating pressure, change, and the quiet weight of daily life. Through her books and talks, Christina offers hope, humor, and a reminder that meaning is often closer than we think. She is the author of 13 books, including *Everlasting: Peaks, Valleys, and Grace in the Psalms*, *Family Trees & Olive Branches*, *Last Summer at Eden*, and the *Novel Devotions* series. Her long partnership with Concordia Publishing House has led to Bible studies used by churches, schools, and non-profits across the country. Christina has spoken to thousands of students, parents, and community leaders at retreats, conferences, and national gatherings. Listeners describe her as relatable, wise, and refreshingly honest. Christina holds a master's degree in creative writing from the University of Houston-Clear Lake and is certified in executive coaching through the International Coaching Federation. She is passionate about helping others connect their modern lives to lasting truth and purpose. She lives in Friendswood, Texas, with her husband of 28 years, Mike, their four almost-grown kids—Catie, Sam, Elisabeth, and Nate—and a small pack of retired racing greyhounds. Her favorite place is their Galveston beach house, where she walks the shoreline and thinks about grace, grit, and what's for dinner.

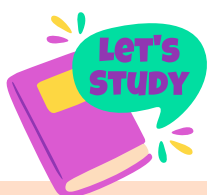


Friends in Faith

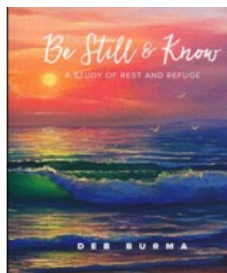
We are excited to share that Ladies Aid is now *Friends in Faith*. In addition to Bible Study and fellowship, our group works to serve where we are needed. Much of what we do to support our church is done behind the scenes. Join us as we grow in faith, serve, and make life-long friends with women in our church family. *Friends in Faith* meets the third Thursday of each month at 1:30 PM.



Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.
John 15:13



"Be Still and Know" by Deb Burma is a Bible Study that began on January 25th. We invite the women of the congregation to join us at 1:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up on the sheet in the Upper Narthex to insure we have enough books for everyone! Contact Laura at (308) 430-1131 with any questions.



**"Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!"
Psalm 46:10**



Lutheran Witness renewals are now due. The subscription for 2026-2027 is \$23.50. Please drop off your check and any changes by March 1st.

Fairbury Area Community Choir Good Friday Service

Calling all singers, musicians, instrumentalists-it's time to prepare! Please join us!!

**Date: April 3, 2026 at 12:00
Noon**

**Presbyterian Church-2310 H
Street, Fairbury**

**Rehearsals- Feb, 12, 19, 26 -
7:00 PM**

**March 5, 12, 19, 26 - 7:00 PM
For questions, contact Barbara
Bedlan, 402-587-1709**