

Grace Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

News & Notes

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THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE – March 8th – March 15th

The Third Sunday in Lent

Setting: Divine Service, Setting 4, beginning on page 203

Hymns: 609 823 855

Grace Choir directed by Julie Matzen; Accompanied by Connie Vickers
“Grace Flows Down”

Readings: *Exodus 17:1-7 Romans 5:1-89 John 4:5-30, 39-42*

Sermon: “Jesus Exalts Those of Low Estate:

Praying For: Allen Anderson, Brad Birtell, Dick Block, Elaine Schoening, David Edens, Andrew Gisel, Vicki Thomas, Terri Shelton, and Betsy Henningsen.

CALENDAR

3/8/2026	8:00 AM	Traditional Worship
	9:15 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Praise Worship
	2:00 PM	CLUB345 Event
	2:30 PM	Lasagna Dinner Set Up
	5:30 PM	Lasagna Dinner
3/9/2026	6:00 PM	Council Meeting
3/10/2026	10:00 AM	Hospital Auxiliary Luncheon
3/11/2026	7:00 AM	Board of Finance Meeting
	11:00 AM	Lent Worship
	5:30 PM	Confirmation
	5:30 PM	Lenten Meal - Spaghetti
	7:00 PM	Lent Worship
	7:45 PM	Choir Practice
3/12/2026	9:00 AM	Tops Meeting
	9:30 AM	Stay Active Senior Exercise Group
		Church Office Closed & No Preschool
3/13/2026		Newsletter Deadline
3/15/2026	8:00 AM	Traditional Worship w/Communion
	9:15 AM	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Traditional Worship w/Communion



Altar flowers were given in loving memory
of Doug Norcross.

Gifts, Tithes & Offerings for 3/1/2026
To fully fund the church budget, we need
\$7,929.00 per week.

	Amount
Simply Giving	\$ 1,421.00
Lenten Services	\$ 1,030.00
Tithes & Offerings	\$ 7,541.00
Total	\$ 9,992.00

Attendance for the week of 3/1/2026

Ash Wednesday

11:00 am 38

7:00 pm 57

Sunday Worship

8:00 am 104

10:30 am 60

Total 259

Sunday, March 8th

8:00 a.m. Service

Pastor James Batchelor

Organist: Diana Baetke

Elder: Paul Kirby

Acolyte: Ryleigh Spain

10:30 a.m. Service

Pastor James Batchelor

Music: Praise Band

Elder: Jon Betz

Acolyte: Dennis Wold

Wednesday, March 11th

11:00 a.m. Service

Pastor James Batchelor

Organist: Diana Baetke

Elder: Duane Hansen & Allen Rugeberg

7:00 p.m. Service

Pastor Kent Umbarger

Organist: Christine Boudro

Elder: Lucas Rickertsen

Acolyte: Kinley Albrecht

Sunday, March 15th

8:00 a.m. Service

Pastor Kent Umbarger

Organist: Diana Baetke

Elder: Paul Kirby

Acolyte: Zanyel Barys

10:30 a.m. Service

Pastor Kent Umbarger

Organist: Diana Baetke

Elder: Jon Betz

Acolyte: Gavin Birt

Join us during Lent for worship on Wednesdays at 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM.

We invite you to share in fellowship over a Lenten meal. The Board of Elders and Preschool Board will be preparing a spaghetti dinner.

Come, worship, and prepare your heart for the journey to Easter. All are welcome!

There are a variety of cards and napkins available for purchase next to the Welcome Center. Please take a moment to see the wide assortment of cards displayed in the foyer.

The Endowment Committee for Grace Lutheran Church is accepting grant applications through March 15th. Applications for projects which provide support to missions, education, youth, worship, music and/or capital projects will be considered. Fill out the application, located on the Welcome Center, and drop it into the office mail slot.



Peace Beyond Measure

A Christian Women's Retreat

Saturday, April 25

9:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Doors open at 9:00 AM

Grace Camp at the Peter Retreat Center
2675 242nd Street • DeWitt, Iowa

Cost: \$20

Lunch & Beverages Included

Join us for a day of renewal, encouragement, and Christ-centered connection.

Open to all women.

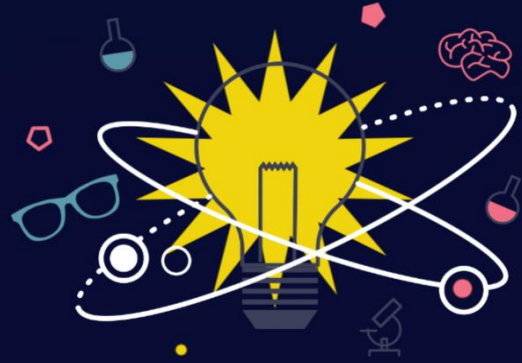
Organized by the Women of Grace.

To register, call or text Kristy
563-210-2462



Speaker:
Michelle Diercks
Author/Christian
Life Coach

GRACE LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL



TRIVIA NIGHT & RAFFLE

SATURDAY
MARCH 28TH

MURPHY'S EVENT CENTER

2430 12TH ST COURT, DE WITT

DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 PM TRIVIA STARTS AT 6:30 PM
\$80 PER TABLE / TABLES OF 8 PLAYERS
BRING YOUR OWN SNACKS/CASH BAR AVAILABLE

Reserved for teams of 8 players (18+ YEARS)
Contact KERRY: phone 563-659-9153 / preschool@gracedewitt.org

RAISING FUNDS FOR GRACE LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES
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Trivia Night Fundraiser - Join Us!!

Please join us for a fun night of Trivia on March 28th at 6:30 pm. You still have time to get a table for the Preschool Trivia Night Fundraiser. \$80 per table of 8 players. Doors open at 5:30 pm.

Call the church office at 563-659-9153 or email preschool@gracedewitt.org to reserve your table.

Referral Center Donations

We continue to collect monthly donations for the Referral Center as the need is great. The referral center can always use pasta, Hamburger Helper, kid-friendly cereal, condiments, and toothpaste. All donations can be left in the shopping cart located in the foyer.