

# THE GOOD NEWS OF GRACE

# March 2019

A Newsletter for Members and Friends of Grace Lutheran Church 1408 Washington Street Wenatchee, WA 98801-2555

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"Then they told (the disciples) what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread." (Luke 24:35)

## Communion – a Different Kind of Meal

Dear friends in Christ,

If there are two centers for the worship service, they are the Word of God and the Meal. If there is one center for the worship service, it's the Meal. Holy Communion is what our Lord instituted for us as the primary reason to come together. Think of what he says when describing the cup: "This is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people, for the forgiveness of sin." Covenant is not a word lightly used by New Testament writers or by the Lord. It's the sign of a new action that God takes in relationship to humankind. It is also translated "testament" which conveys a sense of witness or testimony. In our gathering around the meal, we are met by the crucified and risen one, we are raised with him, and we are shaped and formed by the life-giving presence of God. This meal becomes a model for our thought and action as the Body of Christ in the world. We become, with one another, a testament to the goodness of God in creation, and the redemption that is ours in Christ. Eucharist (thanksgiving), Holy Communion and the Lord's Supper are ways to speak of the same meal. The meal has a mission.

#### My invitation to you:

- Consider that the simple trust of a child is a very good way to approach communion. There is mystery and doubt, but for you the invitation is simple; "just" believe the words "given and shed for you."
- Pray for those communing before and behind you.
- Be interested in helping with distribution.
- Consider the practice of meditative eating in your daily life. Let your act of eating be a way to have gratitude toward God and toward those who made it possible for you to have this food you're eating. Let your eating be an act of prayer.

My days off in March: 4, 11, 18, 25

Together! Pastor James Aalgaard



# THE MISSION OF GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

To proclaim and celebrate the gospel of Jesus Christ through word and sacraments so that a community of believers is created, trained, nurtured, and sent into mission.



When there's a fifth Sunday of the month, our practice is to worship together as one. Therefore, there will be no worship service at 8:30 a.m., and we will worship together at 10:30 a.m. on March 31. It's a great opportunity to deepen your connection with others around you, perhaps with folks you haven't seen for some time! Please join us.

# Midweek Worship during Lent

Lent is a time to delve deeper into the love and mercy of God through our own reflection and faith practices. Starting March 13th, you're invited to come to the sanctuary for a time of quiet reflection which begins at 5:00 pm. Meditation stations will be prepared for your use if you choose. At 5:15 we will begin our Midweek vespers, centering on word, song, silence and prayer. Please join us! Soup and bread to follow each vespers service, along with a small group series called "Civil Discourse."

# Lenten Series "Civil Discourse: From Separation to Engagement"

Beginning Wednesday, March 13, you're invited to participate in a series of small group conversations with folks from a few of our neighboring faith communities, and we hope also from the broader community. The series has been created using materials from public radio's Krista Tippett and her program *On Being*. We will be exploring issues together with a goal of building a more understanding community of diverse people. Sessions will include listening to and reflecting on segments of the excellent *On Being* program. There are three options available each week:

# **St. Luke's Episcopal Church** (428 King St):

Wednesdays, March 13, 20, 27, April 3 and 10 at noon (bring your own lunch)

#### Grace Lutheran Church:

Wednesdays, March 13, 20, 27, April 3 and 10 at 6:00 p.m. (Soup Supper is at 5:45 p.m.)

#### YWCA (212 1st Street):

Fridays, March 15, 22, 29, April 5 and 12 at 10:00 a.m.



# **Lenten Soup Suppers**

Join us for our weekly Lenten Soup Suppers, each Wednesday during Lent, beginning March 13. Volunteers are needed to provide soup, bread/rolls and clean up. Sign-up sheets are available in the narthex. Meals will be served at 5:45 p.m.

# **FAITH FORMATION**

# LIFELONG LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

March 3 - 9:30 a.m.

PreK/K & 1st -6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Woman at the Well Confirmation (7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Gr): God's Dream Will Come True

High School: Review Adults: Studies in Luke

March 10 - 9:30 a.m.

PreK/K & 1st -6<sup>th</sup> Grade: A Storm Confirmation & HS: No class - Youth Quake

Adults: Studies in Luke

March 17 - 9:30 a.m.

PreK/K & 1st -6<sup>th</sup> Grade: The Centurion's Servant

Confirmation (7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Gr): Review

High School: RIC #decolonizeLutheranism

Adults: RIC #decolonizeLutheranism

March 24 - 9:30 a.m.

PreK/K & 1st -6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Jesus Blesses

the Children

Confirmation (7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Gr): Work on project High School: ReconcilingWorks Presentation

Adults: ReconcilingWorks Presentation

March 31 - No Classes ~Spring Break

## Summer of Service - What You Should Know...

- \* You should know that the dates have changed slightly. Groups will be arriving on Saturday, June 15 and will depart on the 21st, 22nd and 23rd.
- \* You should know that Pastor Joe Skogmo is coming from Lowry, MN, with about 20 youth and adults, Pastor Sierra Westerman is coming from Brunswick, MN, with 20 youth and adults, Pastor Bethany Wurtz is coming (maybe by herself) from Grafton, ND, and Pastor Donna (Giese) Putney is sending youth and adults from her congregation in Powell, WY. Grace has 25-30 youth and adults participating, even more if you count the folks participating but not camping! You do the math. We need a lot of tents!
- \* You should know that I have been in contact with local agencies, including Link Transit, and they are all very excited to work with us.
- \* You should know that Carmen Barsody (Faithful Fools in San Francisco) and John Brett will be meeting with us the last week of March.
- \* You should know we have some fund-raising to do!

# Concert/Auction—April 28

- Contact Sylvia Hwang if you are interested in performing
- Each family unit must supply an auction item.

## Nason Creek Rest Area—May 10-12

- We will begin collecting baked goods in early April.
- Shift sign-ups will be available April 1.



If you have not signed up, but would like to be a part of this amazing opportunity, please contact Beth.

# From the desk of Intern Wayne

# **Halfway Thinking**

"Beginning is half-done." - Aristotle

I'm suddenly aware that we're at the halfway point in my internship time at Grace! YIKES! It certainly snuck up on me. The Internship Team and Pastor James are busy preparing my Six-Month Report, and I'm doing my version of this report, but it seems like only a short time ago we pulled into town, we were welcomed in grand style and our ministry began here in Wenatchee.

I say, "our ministry" because it's accurate and true. Nothing I do is strictly by me or for me, but about us as Christians and Lutherans at Grace and in the world. Sure, there are a lot of things that I'm learning. It is about my formation as a leader for the church and I can't possibly do that in a vacuum. You are carefully (and Care Fully) forming me to be a future pastor to a bunch of people we don't know! That seems crazy and perhaps it's supposed to be that way.

We begin the season of Lent in March which is traditionally a time of penitence and self-reflection. We anticipate Ash Wednesday and the Forty Days, then we are soon confronted with Palm Sunday, Holy Week, the Three Days, and Easter. For most of us, this is a regular event and pattern – but can you look at it with new eyes and a fresh heart? As Lutherans, we often talk about our daily dying in Christ and rising again in new life. How does that feel? How do we begin each day, anew in Jesus Christ, with a fresh start? That's my question to ponder during Lent... what's your Question?

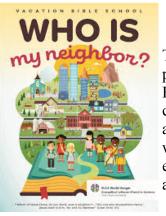
I would propose that we are always Half-way Christians! We are never completed in our baptism until our earthly death and spend our time awaiting the New Kingdom to come. We are always half-way there, and that's an interesting way to live. Fresh starts, every day.

Lent offers us the opportunity to focus on the real things that Jesus asks of us, to find out just how hard that is to accomplish, and then find that we can not do this by ourselves. Just like I can't form myself into a pastor without faithful help and effort from a congregation, we can't form ourselves into faithful Christians in a vacuum- we need a community of faith, like Grace-to work, pray, worship, and serve in together. Lent is a time for self but also for community, for sharing our journeys and lifting each other up in prayer. We have a bunch of ways to do this! Make time this Lent to seek out new and varied ways to flex your "Christian muscles" in community.

I'm now aware that I have a lot to accomplish before August rolls around. I know that I can't do this alone. I have you to thank for allowing me the privilege of serving and learning together with this faith community. Join with me in a holy and fruitful Lent, together, as we continue to grow in the Spirit and as faithful witnesses to God's everlasting love and grace.

Blessings,

Intern Wayne



# **Vacation Bible School Team Forming**

This year, our Vacation Bible School will be incorporated into our Summer of Service project. We will be adapting the "Who Is My Neighbor?" curriculum from ELCA World Hunger to fit a three-day program during the week of June 17-21, and we need the help of our congregation! There will be many different tasks to organize in the next few months, so we are having our first team meeting on **Sunday, March 10**, at 9:30 a.m. Some of the areas we will look at include story time, crafts, lunch, music, and games – there is something for everyone! Please join us on March 10 to find out more. If you would like to know more, but are unable to attend the meeting, please contact Cheryl Salter (resalter@charter.net).

# SOCIAL CONCERNS TEAM



More than 820 million people - that's about 11 percent of people in our world today - are hungry.

As members of the ELCA, we are called to respond. We are a church that rolls up our sleeves and gets to work.

Working with and through our congregations in the United States, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, Lutheran churches overseas, and other partners, **ELCA World Hunger** is uniquely positioned to reach communities in need. From health clinics to microloans, water wells to animal husbandry, community meals to advocacy, your gifts to ELCA World Hunger make it possible for the ELCA to respond, supporting sustainable solutions that get at the root causes of hunger and poverty.

(Source: www.elca.org)

The Social Concerns Team is providing two opportunities to help support ELCA World Hunger this spring.

# **Noisy Offering**

Please start saving your loose change for our annual World Hunger Noisy Offering collection day. We'll be handing out the Noisy Offering boxes on Sunday, March 3. The offering will be collected on March 31.



## Pastor Ernie Memorial Fun Run and Walk

The 6th annual Pastor Ernie Collard Memorial Run to End Hunger is coming on April 13 at 9:00 a.m. The event includes a 5K run or walk and a 1 mile walk. For more information contact Gary Otheim, 886-8667 or garyotheim@gmail.com



# The King's Garden Preschool

Our preschool children are learning about healthy habits and safety this month. We've had visits from the fire department and Wenatchee Pediatric Dentistry. We are enjoying some dramatic play pretending to be community helpers.

Thank you to all of you who've supported us in the frozen-fruit fundraiser! We are now looking for sponsors for our annual Sole 2 Soul 5k, which is taking in a fun new theme this year: Storybook 5k! We are encouraging participants to come dressed as their favorite storybook character.

Tina Wagner, The King's Garden, a ministry of Lighthouse Christian Ministries



Sunday 1/27 Attendance	43 & 129	Sunday 2/10 Attendance	44 & 96
Weekly Offering	\$11,809.00	Weekly Offering	\$11,024.99
Sunday 2/3 Attendance	50 & 133	Sunday 2/17 Attendance	45 & 126
Weekly Offering	\$7,248.00	Weekly Offering	\$6,738.00

# Worship Assistants

Please note: All worship assistants listed below are for the 10:30 service.

Transfiguration of Our Lord Sunday, 3/3 Worship 8:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent Sunday, 3/10 Worship 8:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent Sunday, 3/17 Worship 8:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent Sunday, 3/24 Worship 8:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent Sunday, 3/31 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday <i>All Congregational</i> <i>Worship</i> Worship 10:30 a.m.	
Exodus 34:29-35 Psalm 99 Corinthians 3:124:2 Luke 9:28-43a	Scripture Readings Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 Romans 10:8b-13 Luke 4:1-13	Scripture Readings Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 Psalm 27 Philippians 3:174:1 Luke 13:31-35	Scripture Readings Isaiah 55:1-9 Psalm 63:1-8 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 Luke 13:1-9	Scripture Readings Joshua 5:9-12 Psalm 32 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32	
Acolytes	Acolytes	Acolytes	Acolytes	Acolytes	
Altar Guild Tami Woolsey	Altar Guild Peggy Fenhaus	Altar Guild Hollie Olson	<b>Altar Guild</b> JuLee Fiebelkorn	Altar Guild	
Communion Assistants Rose Applegate, Faye DeJong, Beth Smallbeck, Riva Morgan	Communion Assistants Susan Hendrickson, Abby Reed	Communion Assistants Colleen Smith, Nancy Boersma	Communion Assistants Sophie Fiebelkorn, Karen Zanol	Communion Assistants Gary Otheim, Kathy Otheim	
<b>Lector</b> Joyce Fisher	<b>Lector</b> Milt Herman	Lector	Lector	Lector	
Sound Technician Phil Greg	Sound Technician Kent Heminger	Sound Technician Lynn Heminger	Sound Technician Joanne Dalinkus	Sound Technician Rob Salter	
Ushers	Ushers	Ushers	Ushers	Ushers	
Flowers	<b>Flowers</b> No Flowers during Lent.	<b>Flowers</b> No Flowers during Lent.	<b>Flowers</b> No Flowers during Lent.	<b>Flowers</b> No Flowers during Lent.	

# **Congratulations to Pastor Ian McConnell!**











Former Intern Ian McConnell was ordained on February 17 at Westwood Lutheran Church in Saint Louis Park, Minnesota. Ian will be serving as Pastor to Emerging Generations at Normandale Lutheran in Edina, Minnesota. We wish Ian, Rachel and Rollie Tom all the best!

The McConnell Family's address is:

2901 Rhode Island Ave South St. Louis Park, MN 55426



# Gilmore Morse Baby Shower Saturday, March 16 at 9:00 a.m.

Please join us for a baby shower for Rebekah Gilmore-Morse and her husband Tyler on Saturday, March 16. Rebekah was the Director of Music Ministries at Grace from 2001 to 2008. Contact Gigi Shaw (679-6024) or Denise Miller (663-3052) for more information.



Jody Marquardt	3/2	Micah Florea	3/12	Nicholas Boersma	3/22
Taylor Melton	3/3	Jan Herman	3/12	Langley Vertrees	3/22
Gene Abel	3/4	Sylvia Henry	3/13	Vera Curtis	3/24
Conrad Lake	3/4	Karen Zanol	3/13	JoAnn Koch	3/24
Annette Mueller	3/5	Sam Stevens	3/14	William Neer	3/26
Jan Romey	3/5	Wanda Rivedal	3/16	Joel Banken	3/27
Kelli Ottley	3/7	Gwen McQuaig	3/17	Jolane Guthrie	3/27
Chuck Graves	3/8	Michele Sandberg	3/19	Betty Zielke	3/27
Mike Mueller	3/8	Colleen Smith	3/19	David Coe	3/31
Anna Guthrie	3/9	Erin Reed	3/20	Ruth Westby	3/31
Jim Wurl	3/11				



The Columbia Chorale is presenting "Great Choral Classics" at Grace Lutheran on Saturday, March 2, at 7:00 p.m. Works by Bach, Handel, Mozart, Beethoven, Mendelssohn, Brahms and others are on the program. A performance of Mozart's Mass in C (Coronation Mass), with chamber orchestra and soloists, will be featured. If you long to hear great choral classics, this is the concert for you! Tickets are available through the Performing Arts Center (663-ARTS or www.numericapac.org) or at the door.

# Walking The Labyrinth at Grace



A year and a half ago, we put in a Labyrinth on the east lawn of the church. It has been used frequently by individuals as a meditative prayer walk. Beginning this last September, a Labyrinth Service was initiated in which the faith community was invited as a community to walk the Labyrinth together with the opportunity to share what that was like with other participants. We have been meeting on the last Tuesday of the month from 5:30-6:30 p.m. With inclement weather, we have used a labyrinth laid out on canvas utilizing the Fellowship Hall of the Church. On March 26, hopefully, the weather will be such that we can use our outdoor labyrinth.

**Vice President:** 

**Members-at-Large:** 

**Treasurer:** 

**Secretary:** 

Monte Olson

Gwen Sparks

Colleen Smith

Shirley Leslie

Rebecca Lake

**Andy Sheets** 

Jody Marquardt

#### 01/31/19 GLC FINANCIAL UPDATE:

\$35,655 Total Income from offerings, gifts, and misc.

(40,949)**Total Operating Expenses** 

(\$5,294)Deficit

(4,691)Synod/Social Concerns January Benevolences

January Deficit (\$9,985)

Above represents January Financial Activity. Synod and Social Concerns January Benevolences were paid in February after approval of 2019 Budget. Please let me know if you have any questions. Gwen Sparks, Treasurer (509) 630-4239

#### 2019 TEAM & COMMITTEE LEADERS **2019 CHURCH COUNCIL**

**President:** Phil Gregg Chad DuLac Arts:

**Building & Grounds:** 

**Endowment:** Inku Hwang

**Evangelism:** 

**Faith Enrichment:** Jody Marquardt **Fellowship:** Shirley Leslie **Trish Simmons Intern:** 

Andy Sheets

Micah Florea **Pastoral Support: Staff Support:** Ernie Bentsen **Social Concerns:** Annette Mueller

**Stewardship:** 

Worship: Denise Miller Youth: Jen Pearson-Gale

# Women's Fellowship

"Circles" are groups of women that meet monthly for Bible study and mutual support.

YOU are invited to attend. Please contact the church office or the monthly host (listed at right) if you would like more information. Miriam Circle meets Tuesday, March 19, at 7:00 p.m. at Hollie Olson's home (668-1219).

Anna Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 12, at 10:00 a.m. at the church.





This month's Prayer Shawl meeting will be at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 28.

Please contact Ruth (886-0375) for more information.

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# FAITH FORMATION

Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

## **SUNDAY WORSHIP**

8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

#### **COMPLINE**

1st and 3rd Sundays, 9:00 p.m.

#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday- Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**PHONE:** (509) 663-2189

WEBSITE

www.glcwen.org

# World Vision 30 HOUR FAMINE

## What is the 30 Hour Famine?

Students grow closer to Christ and each other as they fast together for 30 hours and raise funds to fight hunger. What's more, students who do the Famine are challenged to be part of something bigger than themselves. To take action for God's kingdom. To help save the lives of hungry kids. To permanently change the way they see the world.

#### How the Famine works

Students learn about hunger and fundraise to help feed and care for children living in poverty. On Famine weekend, students get up close and personal with hunger by going 30 hours without food. World Vision provides loads of activities to help make this a totally fun, educational, and life-changing experience. The donations will be used to change lives.

# How does the 30 Hour Famine fight hunger?

Every \$40 you raise will help feed and care for a child for a month. World Vision puts the funds you raise to work by bringing emergency food aid to disaster zones and equipping families with the tools they need to overcome hunger in their communities. Together, we're empowering people in need to change the direction of their lives. What does this change look like? Parents equipped to grow healthier, more abundant crops and livestock. Communities gaining access to clean water for nutritious harvests. Children receiving basic medical care.



In February, more than 20 Grace Lutheran youth and adults participated in the 30 Hour Famine.

Kids going to school. Families getting on their feet — and standing strong.

## Who is World Vision?

World Vision is a Christian humanitarian organization dedicated to working with children, families, and their communities worldwide to reach their full potential by tackling the causes of poverty and injustice. Motivated by our faith in Jesus Christ, we serve alongside the poor and oppressed as a demonstration of God's unconditional love for all people. We serve all people, regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or gender. Visit worldvision.org to learn more.



During the famine, participants created paper chains. Each loop represents a child, under the age of 5, who dies from hunger-related issues every day. **There are over 7,000 loops.** 

# What benefits do students get from doing the Famine?

Through the Famine, students learn about real-world issues of poverty and injustice through the lens of the Bible, and they get the chance to make a real difference for hungry children. Plus, their own lives are transformed as they experience hunger firsthand — going without food so others don't have to. As well, the Famine can also help students achieve the level of community service hours they may need to graduate. And for student leaders, helping coordinate an event like the Famine looks great on their college application!

...what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

—MICAH 6:8 (RSV)

(Source: www.30hourfamine.org)

March 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 **See below for Sunday Morning Schedule 5:30 p.m. Chancel Schola 6:30 p.m. Senior High Youth 8:00 p.m. Compline Choir 9:00 p.m. Compline	4 6:15 p.m. Recital 7:00 p.m. Appleaires	5 10:30 a.m. Alzheimer's Support Group 4:00 p.m. Scholarship Auditions 6:30 p.m. Social Concerns Team	6 Ash Wednesday 12:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship 4:15 p.m. Catecheo 6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship 7:30 p.m. Voices of Grace	7 7:00 a.m. 1st Prayer 6:00 p.m. Middle School Youth	9:00 a.m. GLC Quilters  9:00 a.m. GLC Quilters  6:30 p.m. Bingo  Youth Qua	2 10:00 a.m. Chorale Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Columbia Chorale
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Fridays, March 15, 22, 29, April 5 and 12 at 10:00 a.m.

YWCA (212 1st Street):

No Faith Formation and

One Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

# Plan to join us for our RIC Faith Formation Classes:

## March 17: #decolonizeLutheranism Activity

Learn about privilege and intersectionality. Examine how systems of oppression create barriers that hinder the work of the church – building community, struggling for justice, and preaching the Gospel.



# March 24: ReconcilingWorks Presentation

This class will focus on ReconcilingWorks and the Reconciling in Christ (RIC) process. Information presented by Aubrey Thonvold, Executive Director of ReconcilingWorks, at the 2018 ReconcilingWorks Conference will be shared. We will discuss the difference between equality and equity and why this work matters in our church and our world.

## April 7: Who is our all?

This class will offer time for discussion about the church's welcome. The RIC process encourages an expansive vision of community. When we say we welcome all, what does that really mean? Who is our all? Explore a deeper, broader sense of inclusion and affirmation.



Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 10. Remember to set your clocks ahead one hour!

# Council Corner February 26, 2019

- 1. Council reviewed Staff Support Committee and Facilities Maintenance Manager descriptions.
- 2. Jody Marquardt is beginning the daunting process of updating GLC's Continuing Resolutions.
- 3. A motion was made to have Faith Enrichment absorb Stewardship and the motion was carried.
- 4. Our Pastor James passed out self-made bookmarks of "Best Practices" to Council members.
- 5. Excellent discussion held on Council's new book, "Living Lutheran". If anyone would like access to this book we would be happy to share.