

# Grace's Mountain View

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### **REGULARY SCHEDULED EVENTS**

Pastors' Text Study.....Tuesdays...11:30 A.M.  
Quilters.....Wednesdays...9:30 A.M.  
Fellowship/Game Day...Wednesdays...1:30 A.M.  
Confirmation.....Wednesdays...6:30 P.M.  
Bible Study.....Thursdays...10:30 A.M.  
GLCW.....1<sup>st</sup> Monday...6:00 P.M.  
Church Council.....3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday...6:15 P.M

## "CABIN FEVER SUPPER"

### TICKETS

Adults: \$10.00  
Kids 4-10: \$5.00  
Kids 3 & under: Free

### MENU

Lefsa  
Meatballs & Gravy  
Mashed Potatoes  
Corn, Buns, Coleslaw  
Pickles, Desserts,  
Beverages



Come out of "hibernation" and indulge in good food and good friends!

## GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

213 Roosevelt Avenue Detroit Lakes, MN (218)847-4568

**SATURDAY, MARCH 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**4:00 – 7:00 P.M.**

Grace by Grace, Seeking to be God's Faithful People

### **COME ONE... COME ALL!**

Tired of winter? Tired of being cooped up inside? If you are here is your chance to get out---come to the **Cabin Fever Supper** being held at Grace Lutheran on Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. You will feast on meatballs and all the fixings, lefsa, and much more.

If you want to help, please sign up on the sheets found in the Narthex. It takes many people to hold this event. **We need everyone's help to ensure a success!**

***Eat...Volunteer...Eat...Volunteer***



March 2019

What a winter this has been! So far, we haven't missed worship on Sunday morning, but I wonder each Wednesday whether to have confirmation class or not! It's a good thing that Lent hasn't begun yet...but it is coming soon...March 6, Ash Wednesday service will be at Bakke. Supper will be at 6 and worship starts at 7 p.m. The following week, worship will be at Grace, and will alternate throughout the season.

On April 10<sup>th</sup> the final service will be at St. Peter's in rural Audubon, featuring a concert for the congregations involved in this year's round robin worship. Each of the pastors is choosing a different Psalm upon which to focus.

Holy Week services will be Maundy Thursday, April 18 at Bakke with supper before and Good Friday service will be at Grace at 7 p.m. without a meal before. Some people practice fasting on Good Friday and I am guessing that the advertisements on TV for fish meals will be starting soon, since some folks do not eat meat during Lent.

Have you thought about how you want to observe the season? The tradition is to be intentional about fasting, praying and giving alms. Think about picking a favorite charity, giving up a weekly or daily treat and then giving the proceeds to the charity that you save by not purchasing your "usual."

Whatever activity that makes you more aware, or more disciplined about your life is worth a try. Barbara Brown Taylor, a writer and Episcopal priest wrote about a pact she made with a friend one Lenten season to be accountable to each other regarding a bad habit...in BBT's case, it was being late for meetings. The act of having to answer to another person made her much more mindful of what made her late and how she could be intentional about breaking the habit.

I think I have mentioned that being intentional about flossing my teeth was my discipline one Lenten season and I still am aware on the impact of not taking habits for granted and am more mindful of this simple act.

Perhaps your discipline will be to be more intentionally grateful to God and you will name out loud gifts you notice in your daily life. Maybe you will decide to choose a person a day to pray on behalf of and make that your practice. Lent does not have to be a time of gloom the way it was in the past...you can add to your life with the habits and prayerful disciplines you practice.

Blessings to you!

Pastor Ann

### ***New beginnings.....***

As you know the first council meeting with new members was held on Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>. We are thankful for those who have stepped up to the plate to help Grace Lutheran grow and prosper. Blace Schmidt will be the new Council Vice-President, Becky Esser is the new Council Secretary, and myself as Church Council President.

We are looking forward to growing our congregation and expanding our ministry more into the local community. And most importantly, continuing our mission according to God's will. As active disciples of God, we need to be aggressive in advocating for our church. As I said last month: be proud of our church, share the word, invite others to attend worship. Invite them to fellowship events. Tell others about the good things that we do here at Grace. Think outside the box. If you have ideas, share them with Pastor or the council members.

A decision to award the contract for two new gas furnaces was made and Fingalson Heating will be doing that work. A start date has not been set yet but hopefully it will be soon. Our property committee guys, Gerry Nybo and Blace Schmidt are scheduling a sit-down meeting with Jared Fingalson to get everything settled. Jared has been there for us for a long time now and he knows our system the best.

Here's hoping the weather will soon change and we can be outside in the sunshine again!

Our Cabin Fever Dinner is scheduled for March 2<sup>nd</sup> here at Grace and that always makes people smile! Check the sign-up board and volunteer. Hopefully, because the groundhog didn't see his shadow, spring will come early. Come on Spring!

*Lillian*



# CHURCH MEETINGS

## GLCW

Grace Lutheran Church Women will meet on Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M.

## WORSHIP

The Worship Committee will meet on Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 A.M. This allows Pastor Ann to attend.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee will meet on March 14<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 P.M.

## CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, at 6:15 P.M.

## CHRISTIAN ED. COMMITTEE

The Christian Education Committee will meet Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 A.M.



**SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2019**



## (UNAPPROVED) COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS— February 19 2019)

† Meeting called to order by Lillian Nybo.

† Secretary minutes approved as printed.

† **Financial report** given by Glennis.

† **Elections** were held. The following were elected:

President---Lillian Nybo

Vice-President---Blace Schmidt

Secretary---Becky Esser

† **Property**---2 bids were presented for adding 2 gas furnaces as backup for Geo-Thermal. Discussion followed. Decision was to give Fingalson Heating & Cooling the bid---\$10,220. Gerry and Blace will meet with Jared to finalize details.

† **Education/Youth**---March 3<sup>rd</sup> will be Camp Sunday with a representative coming to talk during worship service and Sunday School. A special offering will be taken for camp scholarships.

† **Stewardship/Benevolence**---Lillian Nybo and Traci Mace will co-chair the committee. Proceeds from the Cabin Fever Supper will be used for furnace repairs with a percentage given to a local charity.

† **Evangelism/Outreach**---Jim Brogren and Traci Mace will co-chair this committee. Jim reported on the Hotdish & Bar Challenge. \$430 was taken in. \$200 will be donated to "A Place to Belong", \$200 to "Becker County Energize", and the remainder to the furnace fund.

† **Worship**---Lenten services were discussed. Lenten Services are round robin with meals beginning at 6:00 P.M. and worship at 7:00 P.M. April 10<sup>th</sup> a concert will be held at St. Peter's, Audubon, at 7:00 P.M. with a potluck meal at 6:00 P.M.

† **Old Business**---Cabin Fever Supper was discussed. Ideas for Memorial gifts was suggested: confirmation stand, outside lettering for the name of church. Cremation pall will be bought.

† **New Business**---Bakke and Grace Council to meet following Ash Wednesday worship service. Synod representatives are needed.

Respectfully submitted,

Glennis Olson, secretary pro-temp

## NEW WEBSITE for GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Check out our new website at [www.gracelutherandl.org](http://www.gracelutherandl.org)

Newsletters, monthly events, monthly calendar, and other information can be found on the website. Thanks to Jesse Pawlak, our new webmaster for getting the site up and running.

New  
Website!

# **MARCH USHERS, GREETERS, GREETERS--**

## **10:00 A.M. Service**

Sonia Anderson, Coordinator 847-8555
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DATE	GREETERS	USHERS	READER
March 3, 2019	Naomi Dahl	Annette & Hunter Korth	Ruby Kiihn
March 10, 2019	Jerry & Cathy Schwoboda		Becky Esser
March 13, 2019 LENTEN SERVICE	Irene Carnegie	Ethan & Mason Carrier	
March 17, 2019	Blace & Myrna Schmidt	Lois Flatau, Sonia Anderson	Lois Flatau
March 24, 2019	Vivian Wittnebel		Glennis Olson
March 27, 2019 LENTEN SERVICE		Ethan & Mason Carrier	
March 31, 2019		Sonia Anderson, Maggie Schmit	Becky Esser

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MARCH**

DATE	PSALM	LESSONS	GOSPEL
March 3, 2019	Psalm 99	Exodus 34:29-35 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2	Luke 9:28-43a
March 6, 2019 ASH WEDNESDAY	Psalm 51:1-17	Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:10	Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21
March 10, 2019	Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16	Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Romans 10:8-13	Luke 4:1-13
March 17, 2019	Psalm 27	Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 Philippians 3:17-4:1	Luke 13:31-35
March 24, 2019	Psalm 63:1-8	Isaiah 55:1-9 1 Corinthians 10:1-13	Luke 13:1-9
March 31, 2019	Psalm 32	Joshua 5:9-12 2 Corinthians 5:16-21	Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

## **SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE/FELLOWSHIP SERVERS FOR MARCH**

DATE	SERVERS
March 3, 2019	Naomi Dahl, Sheila Longfors, Elvie Zitzow, Lue Rawson
March 10, 2019	Lois Flatau, Marlys Brasel, Carol Hanson, Jim & Clarice Zick
March 17, 2019	Gale LaFerriere, Terry & Laurie Bowers
March 24, 2019	Gerry & Lillian Nybo, Dave Nybo, Annette Pawlak, Katie Sandberg
March 31, 2019	Linda Leitheiser, Jeff & Linda Leitheiser

### **NURSING HOME MINISTRY:**

*Don't forget our members in Nursing Homes and Care Facilities.*

Emmanuel Nursing Home-1415 Madison Ave.

Oak Crossing Nursing Homes-1040 Lincoln Ave.

**Dorina Sundeen, Red Sloane, Phyllis McLeod**

**Darlene Nordlund**

Frazee Assisted Living

**Wilma Leitheiser** (219 West Maple Ave. #20, Frazee, MN 56544)





**March 2**  
Dennis Forsell

**March 6**  
Kraig Erickson  
Hailey Erickson

**March 7**  
Joyce Hanson

**March 16**  
Kacee Brogren  
Steve Skadsem

**March 17**  
Phyllis McLeod

**March 21**  
Krista Korth

**March 25**  
Daniel Lane

**March 26**  
Robert Bennett

**March 31**  
Geri McDermond



**GOD BLESS YOU  
ON YOUR  
ANNIVERSARY**



If your birthday or anniversary is not listed here, **PLEASE** let us know so that we can add your birthdays and/or anniversaries into our computer. Thank you.

**IT'S A GRACE THING!**



# MEMORIAL GIFTS



IN MEMORY OF	FUND	GIVEN BY	DATE
Gary Wicker	Undesignated	Clarice & Ernie Anderson	February 10, 2019
Roland Morton	Undesignated	Clarice & Ernie Anderson	February 10, 2019
Chuck Reynolds	Undesignated	Gary & Dona Rosell	February 17, 2019

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**THANK YOU** to those who volunteered their help at the following church events:

1. Polar Fest Hotdish Challenge
2. Cabin Fever Supper

Proceeds from the Polar Fest Hotdish & Bar Challenge were divided between:

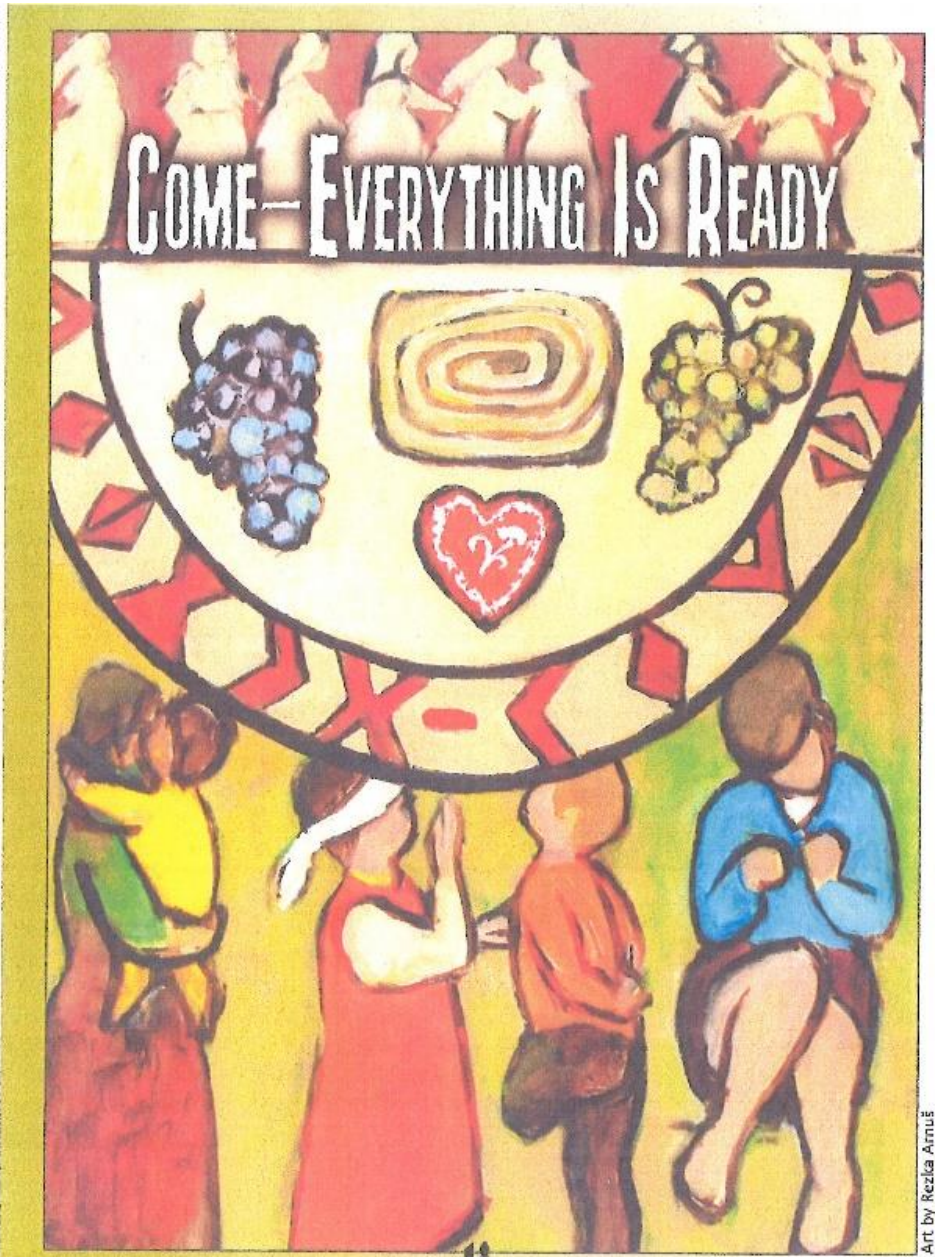
- “A Place to Belong”---\$200.00
- “Becker County Energize”---\$200.00
- Furnace Fund---\$30.00

Becker County Energize is promoting mental health in Becker County through an eight-part video series featuring local people speaking about their experience of a common mental illness followed by information on the respective illness by an area mental health professional. The sessions are held on Tuesday nights at M-State. The videos can be found on the Becker County Energize website and will be broadcast on TV3 over the next eight weeks.

**THANKS** to Gerry Nybo, Jerry Schwoboda, and Jeff Leitheiser for keeping our parking lot and doorways free of snow. It has been quite the job this winter!!!



**WORLD DAY of PRAYER**



**World Day of Prayer • March 1, 2019**

Trinity Lutheran Church 12 Noon

1401 Madison Ave.

Written by the WDP Committee of Slovenia  
World Day of Prayer USA • [www.wdp-usa.org](http://www.wdp-usa.org) • 212.870.2466

Lunch Served after the Service.



# LENTEN HUMOR



“Time, and showing up, turn most messes to compost, and something surprising may grow...”

Annie LaMott

***Plan B: Further Thoughts on Faith.***



## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### St. Peter's Lutheran Ladies Hotdish Luncheon

#### LUTHERAN LADIES HOT DISH LUNCHEON

**WHEN:** Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** St. Peters Lutheran Church, Audubon, MN

Variety of Hot dishes, lettuce "N orange salad, desserts

Free Will Offering



Hosted by Trinity Lutheran Church

Women of the ELCA (WELCA)  
Children, Youth & Family Committee  
Student Action Leadership Team (SALT)

Join us for a  
**WOMEN'S  
RETREAT**

God's Story • My Story • Our Story

with  
**Rachel Kurtz**



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For more information,  
contact Suzie Porter, Deacon.  
Office: 218.847.7211

Saturday, March 23  
10am-3pm



Trinity Lutheran Church  
Detroit Lakes, MN

**Rachel Kurtz**  
*in Concert*



Saturday, March 23  
at 6:30pm

All Are Welcome.

Admission is Free.

*A freewill offering will be taken to  
support and empower women  
both locally and globally.*



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# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

We encourage all students to attend Sunday School each Sunday. Our attendance has been down, and we would like to see as many smiling faces as possible! We have several opportunities to share the good news of the Bible through the children singing during worship service. Below is the schedule for those times:

Sunday, April 14, 2019 (Palm Sun.)

Sunday May 12, 2019 (Mother's Day)

There are also opportunities for the children to come together for fun activities and also events which they can help at.

**March 2**---We would like the students to help during the Cabin Fever Supper. There is a sign-up sheet by the bulletin board.

### **March 3**---BIBLE CAMP SUNDAY

Come and listen to the Camp Emmaus representative talk about the adventures that can be experienced while attending Bible Camp. Brochures will be handed out that include the times and costs.

**April 14**---Easter Egg Hunt following a shortened Sunday School lesson. Kindergarteners receive Easter Books.

**May 19**---Sunday School fun day as this marks the end of the 2018-2019 Sunday School year.

**June ??**---Vacation Bible School will be held with First Lutheran as it was last year.

**FIRST COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS** will begin on March 3. There will also be instruction on March 10 & 24. March 31<sup>st</sup> is the Seder Meal at 11:45 A.M. 1<sup>st</sup> Communion will be held on Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>.

***Please mark these dates on your calendar!***

## CONFIRMATION

Confirmation classes are now being held at Grace Lutheran through April. During Lent, the Confirmation classes will not be held, but students are encouraged to attend the Lenten worship services. Two of the ten required sermon notes are to be from Lenten Worship Services. Lenten worship services will begin on Ash Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> which will be held at Bakke. Wednesday Lenten worship services will be held at Grace on March 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. On March 20<sup>th</sup> and April 3<sup>rd</sup>, the worship services will be at Bakke Lutheran. There is no Confirmation class on April 17<sup>th</sup>. The last Confirmation class is May 8<sup>th</sup>.

A reminder to the students, you should be working towards completion of your requirements for this confirmation year. Please talk to Pastor Ann if you are unsure of what requirements you still need to complete.

There will be 4 opportunities for you to complete the 2 service project requirements. Students may help out during the Cabin Fever Supper on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. On April 14<sup>th</sup>, Palm Sunday, the Confirmation students will be holding a brunch following the worship service. Confirmation students will be responsible for providing and serving the food. An egg bake has been suggested. More details will be forthcoming during Confirmation classes.

Students may also help during the Rummage Sale on Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup> and Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup>. See Gale LaFerriere or Michelle Peterson to find out what you can do to help with this event.

The final opportunity for a service project will be helping with Vacation Bible School in June. Dates will be announced later.

Students are encouraged to sign up to be a lector, usher, or greeter during worship service. Students are required to provide these services 5 times during the Confirmation year.

Thanks to those students who have been handing in their sermon notes. Please check to make sure you are close to completing the 10 required sermon notes.

Again, if you have any questions or concerns please contact Pastor Ann.





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**Evangelical Lutheran Church in**  
**America**

213 Roosevelt Avenue

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Church Worship Service 10:00 A.M.

Sunday School Sept. - May 9:00 A.M.

Adult Ed. Opportunities Year-round

Office Hours. 8:00 till Noon M – F

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amazing Grace.”*

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Grace's MOUNTAIN VIEW  
March 2019

Vision Statement---Grace Lutheran Church seeks to be a serving and witnessing people of God, united to share the Gospel with all. Through the Holy Spirit, we respond by reaching out with concern and support to the varied needs of a diverse people.

**Address Service Requested**



**ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE, March 6<sup>th</sup> @ Bakke**

meal 6:00 P.M. worship 7:00 P.M.

**LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE, March 13<sup>th</sup> @ Grace**

meal 6:00 P.M. worship 7:00 P.M.

**LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE, March 20<sup>th</sup> @ Bakke**

meal 6:00 P.M. worship 7:00 P.M.

**LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE, March 27<sup>th</sup> @ Grace**

meal 6:00 P.M. worship 7:00 P.M.

**LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICE, April 3rd @ Bakke**

meal 6:00 P.M. worship 7:00 P.M.

**LENTEN WORSHIP & CONCERT, April 10<sup>th</sup> @ St. Peter's**

Potluck meal 5:30 P.M. worship 7:00 P.M.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP SERVICE @ Bakke**

meal 6:00 P.M. worship 7:00 P.M.

**GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP SERVICE @ Grace**

worship 7:00 P.M.

*SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10:00 A.M....COME JOIN US...YOU ARE INVITED*