



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays at 9:00 am (in person and online)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 27TH

NO MUSIC GROUPS (children's choir, adult choir, bells of praise) will meet until at least early January. Thank you for your patience.

DECORATING THE CHURCH: Decorating for Christmas is fun! This year you can choose which task you'd like to help with in decorating the sanctuary and gathering spaces. We have tasks that will take anywhere from 1 hour to 3 hours. **Sign up in the Narthex** along with your preferred time on **November 26th** or **December 3rd**. Gather the family or a group of friends and help make Grace beautiful for Christmas!

ANGEL TREE: The Angel Tree is here! Please help us make Christmas special for local children in need. Take a tag off the Angel Tree in the narthex and purchase a gift for the gender and age specified on the tag. Bring your unwrapped gift to church by **December 7th** and place it under the Angel Tree. Thank you for your support!

ATTENTION BAKERS! We are looking for people to donate cookies for the "Cookie Fellowship" following the Children's Christmas Program. Please sign up for donating cookies in the Narthex.

MARY CIRCLE Mary Circle will meet Monday, **December 5**, at 5:15 pm in the kitchen, with potluck treats and Charlotte Elvebak leading the lesson. We will be collecting donations to purchase gifts for the angel tree.

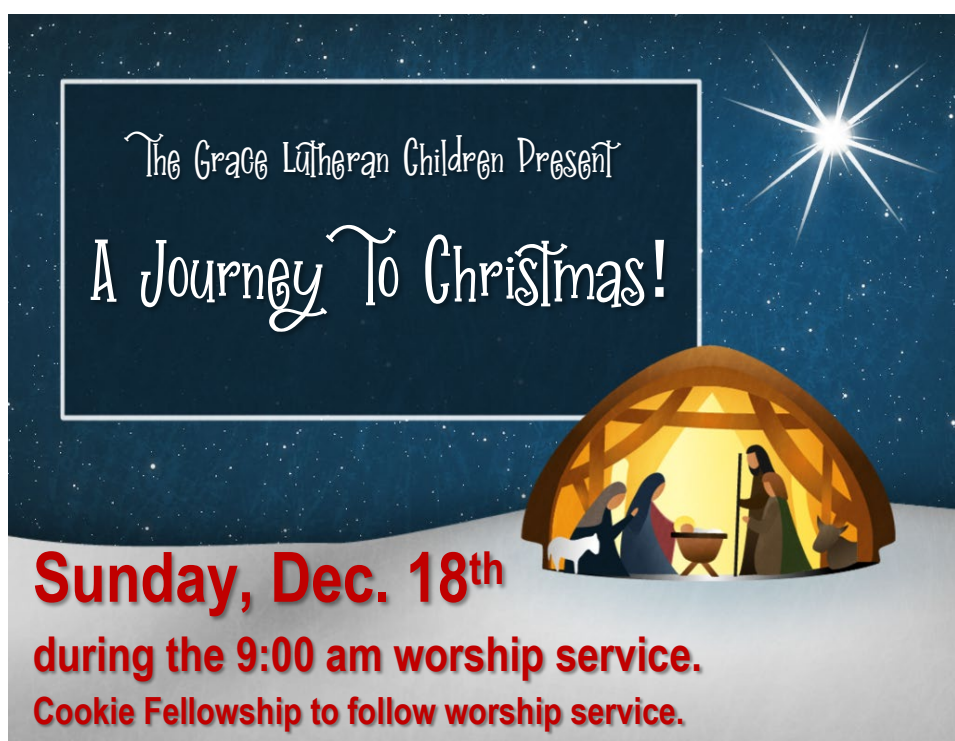
BLUE CHRISTMAS is a time of remembrance and quiet, amidst the busy preparations for Christmas. Join us for a service of light and hope. We remember those who no longer sit by our side and we make room to honor Jesus' birth. This joint service with First Lutheran will meet at Grace Lutheran on **December 21st** at 6:30 pm.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM: "A Journey to Christmas" will be presented **December 18** during the 9:00 am worship service. Christmas cookie fellowship hour will follow the service.

REMINDER TO EVERYONE that year-end gifts to the church need to be received here and/or postmarked no later than **December 31st**. Your gifts in support of our ministry are very much appreciated.


CARING & SHARING: The Caring & Sharing monthly co-chair sign-up sheet for **2023** is in the Narthex. Please consider being a co-chair for a month that works for you. WELCA thanks you for giving your time in serving our Grace community.

JACK FROST'S CLOSET is having its Annual Winter Outerwear Drive. Jack Frost's Closet, a partner program of AZ-One, is seeking new or clean/gently used WINTER OUTERWEAR and new packages of SOCKS for Freeborn County area families in need. Don't have a coat to give? Consider giving a monetary donation! Send to 72058 Phillip Drive, Albert Lea (mail only). Make checks payable to: AZ-One FBO: Jack Frost.



The Grace Lutheran Children Present
A Journey To Christmas!

Sunday, Dec. 18th
during the 9:00 am worship service.
Cookie Fellowship to follow worship service.



Nativity Scenes

Let's fill the chapel with nativity scenes! If you'd like to share a nativity scene with people who visit Grace during Advent, please bring one to church and set it up in the chapel. You're invited to take your nativity scene home on Christmas Eve or after. Thank you.

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY: 9:00a **Worship Service**
10:00a NO Sunday School
10:00a Coffee Fellowship (Fireside Room)

MONDAY: 1:30p SAIL (Fellowship Hall)

TUESDAY: 10:00a Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study
(Fireside Room)
10:30a Staff Meeting (Chapel)

WEDNESDAY: 9:00a Martha Circle (Fireside Room)
6:30p Confirmation (Fellowship Hall)

THURSDAY: 7:30a Thursday Morning Bible Study
1:30p SAIL (Fellowship Hall)

FRIDAY: **BUILDING AND OFFICE CLOSED**

NEXT SUNDAY: 9:00a **Worship Service** (2nd Sunday of Advent)
10:00a Sunday School
10:00a Coffee Fellowship (Chapel)

GRACE PRAYS

Please use this as a tool to extend prayers for our church community at home. If you or your loved one would like to be on the prayer list, please call the office at 507-373-6496, leave the person's name and if it is for prayers of healing, grief, or joy. We love to pray at Grace, and it's our privilege to walk together in faith.

Prayers of Healing

Shirley Pearson

Milt Ost

Sally Skrlin

Mary Moline, sister of Linda Andersen

Irmi Kleih

Barb Sanderson

John Knutson

Lynn Rasmussen, daughter of Jerry & Gerry Vogt

LuVerne Godtland

SýDontay Williams, grandson of Cheri Wehrenberg

Mary Lou Jacobson

Dick Haug

Arylss Haug

Tom Nelson

Rachelle Bizjak

Greg Henderson

Prayers for those Grieving

Family & Friends of **Luther Linnes**

Family & Friends of **Adella Attig**, mother of Joe Attig

Family & Friends of **Sandra Godtland**

Prayers of Joy

For the baptism of **Justin Robert Scheib**,
son of Justin & Torri Scheib.

For the baptism of **Graham Alexander Whitmore**,
son of Charles and Jessica Whitmore.

For the baptism of **Raegan Marie Whitmore**,
son of Charles and Jessica Whitmore.

GENEROSITY AT GRACE

