



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 12, 2023

ADULT FORUM: "To Undo the Heavy Burdens..." Favorite Bible Verses of the Presidents of the United States. From George Washington to Joe Biden, our presidents had key Bible verses that sustained them and lifted them up from their heavy burdens. Join Gary Schindler in the Fireside Room to discover these verses and how you can use them in your faith journey.

LENT ON WEDNESDAYS: Discover your purpose in God's Work Wednesdays in Lent this year! Worship will be at **6:00pm** followed by discussion and treats. We'll conclude by 7:30pm.

March 15: Thinking Bigger

March 22: Be Magnetic

March 29: There's More...

Explore how to align your life's purposes with God's purposes through worship, drama, and small group conversations.

MINNESOTA FOOD SHARE: The Minnesota Food Share March campaign is now in its 42nd year, providing support to food shelves across the state. We are asking that you join in this food sharing effort. Please bring food items to fill our pallet in the narthex. In addition, we will be collecting financial donations at the end of the service on Sunday, **March 26th**. All of the donations will be divided between our 3 local food shelves: Ecumenical Food Pantry, Salvation Army, United Way Welcome Pantry.

COMING MARCH 26TH! Grace needs people who would like to serve others by bringing them communion and a visit from Grace on a regular basis. This ministry needs people who are willing to bring the Good News to folks who don't regularly make it to worship. If you are interested in the ministry, please plan on attending a meeting to discuss the details and expectations. Even if you aren't sure, please come, there is no obligation to join. Visiting people is a powerful and faithful experience, please come to hear more **March 26th** in Fireside room.

PASTORAL CARE: To assist our pastoral staff in providing pastoral care for those hospitalized or homebound, please notify a pastor of pending surgeries, overnight hospital stays, or individuals who would like a home visit. Hospital personnel do not always notify our church of our members who are in the hospital.

DON'T FORGET TO DIRECT CHOICE DOLLARS®: Grant funding from Thrivent Financial through its Thrivent Choice® program can help support organizations you care about. Don't let Choice Dollars expire. Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have Choice Dollars available have until **March 31, 2023**, to direct any remaining 2022 Choice Dollars. Help support Grace Lutheran Church; go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more. Or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.

GENEROSITY AT GRACE



SAVE THE DATE

NATIONAL **QUILTING DAY** 2023

MARCH 19

NATIONAL QUILTING DAY 2023: We will celebrate all things quilts on **March 19**. During worship we will have quilts on display and will honor our quilters who make quilts for people in need all over the world.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

May 9th

12:00 to 6:00 pm.

Please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to schedule an appointment.



THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY: 9:00a **Worship Service**
10:00a NO Sunday School (Spring Break)
10:00a Adult Forum (**Fellowship Hall**)
10:00a Coffee and Fellowship (Chapel)

MONDAY: 1:30p SAIL (Fellowship Hall)

TUESDAY: 10:00a Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study
(Fireside Room)
10:30a Staff Meeting (Chapel)
6:30p Council Meeting (Fireside Room)

WEDNESDAY: **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**
12:00p Sewing Group (Fellowship Hall)
6:00p Wednesday Lenten Worship Service
Desserts and discussion (Fellowship Hall)
7:15p Adult Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY: 7:30a Thursday Morning Bible Study
(Fireside Room)
1:30p SAIL (Fellowship Hall)
6:00p Adoption Support (Fireside Room)

FRIDAY: **BUILDING AND OFFICE CLOSED**

NEXT SUNDAY: 9:00a **Worship Service**
10:00a NO Sunday School (Spring Break)
10:00a Adult Forum (**Fireside Room**)
10:00a Coffee and Fellowship (Chapel)

GRACE PRAYS

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 the request is for prayers of healing, grief, or joy.

Prayers of Healing

Brad Arends
Irmi Kleih
Kelli Schindler Nelson
Stephen Piper
(Associate Pastor/First Presbyterian & football coach)
Rachelle Bizjak
Donna Oakland
Shirley Pearson
Milt Ost
Mary Moline, sister of Linda Andersen
Barb Sanderson
Lynn Rasmussen, daughter of Jerry & Gerry Vogt
Mary Lou Jacobson
Dick Haug
Arylss Haug
Tom Nelson
Greg Henderson

Prayers of Joy

For volunteers.
For the love of a friend.
For the laughter of a child.