

✠ FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY ✠

Saturday, 5:00 p.m., February 9, 2019 ~ Sunday, 9:30 a.m., February 10, 2019

Grace Lutheran's Purpose Statement

"We share God's love by welcoming all and making a Christ-like difference in our community and world."

HYMNS

G-798

Psalm 138

D-R574

C-R592

S-R546

Will You Come and Follow Me

(Psalms begin page 339)

Here I Am, Lord

Just As I Am, without One Plea

To Be Your Presence

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

Welcome to our guests and visitors who are with us today. We hope you feel at home in our midst and look forward to seeing you again. If you would like more information about Grace Lutheran, the pastor or ushers can help you. Please consider your presence to be your gift to us. No other is necessary or expected. Thank you for worshiping with us today.

IN OUR PRAYERS

In observance of our covenant with the LARCC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Congregational UCC) parishes of Alpena, we pray each week for a specific ministry of one of the 5 LARCC parishes. Today we pray for World Peace/First Congregational Church.

LARGE PRINT WORSHIP FOLDERS

Large print worship folders, including hymns and weekly bulletin are available. Please ask the ushers for one.

PRAYERS

Doug Chroninger, Jim Clemens, Bev Attwell, Lorraine Leathead, Gloria Moore, Harold & Jean Kissau, Jim Malaski, Karen & Walter Spigelmyre, Emma Nelson, Bishop Craig Satterlee, Jordyn AnnMarie, Heather and Family, Joseph Hansen, Roger Schultz, Violet McLaren, Brian Gustafson, Baby Samuel, Evelyn Smith, Margaret Nosko, Reed Werth, Mark Jackson, Patricia Denstaedt, Scott Coddington, Mimi, David Schaedig, Cody Gustin, Dennis Diamond.

ALTAR FLOWERS

In Celebration of
Ed & Elfie Jahnke's
60th Wedding Anniversary

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT/GAME NIGHT

Sunday, February 10

4:30 p.m. Potluck/5:30 p.m. Games Begin
Please see information and sign-up sheets on table in Office Narthex for more information.

**PRAYER REQUESTS FOR
WORSHIP AND THE BULLETIN**

For adding Joys and Concerns to our Intercessory Prayers, we are now using the Prayer Requests forms found in the pew envelope holder. The ushers will pick it up from you at the end of announcements. Please sign it indicating that you have the permission of the person(s) to have their name said in worship and/or printed in the bulletin. Thank you.

DRIVEWAY FUND

Church Council has set a goal of paying off the Driveway Fund Balance this year. A monthly goal of \$575 will retire the remaining \$6900 by the end of the year. Contributions in any amount can use the regular offering envelope marking the amount on the Other Line, the special golden envelope in the bi-monthly packet or a pew envelope. Thanks for making this project possible for everyone's safety and convenience. We've more than met January's goal - **THANK YOU.**

GENERAL FUND GIVING	
Average needed each week to meet budget	\$ 4,382.00
Weekly giving - February 2/3	6,255.00
Year-to-date over/(under)	\$ (482.00)
DRIVEWAY FUND MONTHLY GIVING	
Monthly Goal	\$ 575.00
February Giving	275.00
Driveway Fund Balance	\$ (5,534.38)

NURSERY AVAILABLE

We have a nursery staffed by an adult available during our Sunday worship service time. If you have a child that worship is too long for or they need to move around or today is just a tough day for them, let the nursery attendant or ushers know and they will show you through the basement to our nursery space in the Fellowship Hall.

**HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES
NOW AVAILABLE**

We have individual devices to help people hear the services more. Pick them up from the ushers in the Sound Room. There are headphones available. Or hearing aids with T Coil activated will be able to receive the sound directly from the devices you take to your seat.

ANNUAL MEETING
Sunday, March 3
Following 9:30 a.m. Worship
On the Agenda:
 Receive Annual Reports
 Please plan to attend!

**REMINDER FOR TAKING
ALTAR FLOWERS TO SHUT-INS**

Just a reminder to please either check directly with those placing flowers on the altar or with the office prior to taking flowers from the altar to give to our shut-ins. Many of those placing flowers would like their flowers delivered to a shut-in following our weekend services, however, some prefer to pick their flowers up (sometimes not until Monday or Tuesday for those attending on Saturday evening) to give to someone or enjoy for themselves.

RUTH CIRCLE

All women are welcome to the next meeting of the Ruth Circle (which includes ALL women) scheduled for Wednesday, February 20, in the lounge beginning at 1:00 p.m. We hold Bible study, discussion and a short business meeting (includes the Julefest of 2018) leaving time for fellowship.

SAMARITAS SEEKING TO FILL BOARD POSITIONS

Samaritas Affordable Living of Alpena, a HUD supported property, is searching to fill vacancies on our Board of Directors. We are seeking individuals who would enjoy sharing their knowledge and love of community to lend advise and support our property management team. Our board meets quarterly within the year. If you are interested in supporting the needs of our community, please call Jenny Edmonds, Property Manager at (989) 356-6725.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday - 10th

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Choir
9:30 a.m. Worship
12:30 p.m. Catechism - St. Paul
4:30 p.m. Potluck
5:30 p.m. Euchre Tournament/
Game Night

Tuesday - 12th

9:00 a.m. Quilting/Sewing
5:00 p.m. Worship Work Group
6:00 p.m. Choir - Lounge

Wednesday - 13th

3-4:30 p.m. Lounge Reserved
6:00 p.m. Bell Choir - Sanctuary
6:30 p.m. Lounge/Kitchen Reserved

Thursday - 14th

5:00 p.m. Sanctuary Reserved

Saturday - 16th

5:00 p.m. Worship

SERVING FEBRUARY 9-10

Ministers..... God's People
Pastor.....Rev. Tom Orth
Music Director.....David Delano
Lector.....Sandy Welch
Communion Assts......Joe Gentry, Wayne Lewis
Ushers.....Dale Schultz, Paul & Vicki Denstaedt,
Phran Ludington, Sandra Christopherson (Sat.)
Greeters..... Wayne & Chris Christopherson
Hospital.....Janet Chroninger
Altar Guild.....Bethany Popour, Arlis St. Charles
Counters..... Gary & Kay Grove
Coffee Hour...Corky Gates, Sandra Christopherson
Cookie/
Doughnut Pick Up.....Rick & Sharon Engstrom

SERVING FEBRUARY 16-17

Ministers..... God's People
Pastor.....Rev. Tom Orth
Music Director.....David Delano
Lector.....Anna Lewis
Communion Assts......Joe Gentry, Wayne Lewis
Ushers.....Dale Schultz, Paul & Vicki Denstaedt,
Phran Ludington, Sandra Christopherson (Sat.)
Greeters..... Clarence & Bonnie Cross
Hospital.....Janet Chroninger
Altar Guild.....Bethany Popour, Arlis St. Charles
Counters..... Gary & Kay Grove
Coffee Hour..... Jack & Patti Tucker
Cookie/
Doughnut Pick Up.....Rick & Sharon Engstrom

FIRST READING

Isaiah 61:1-8 [9-13]

¹In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." ⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" ⁶Then

one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs.

⁷The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out."⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" [⁹And he said, "Go and say to this people: 'Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.'¹⁰Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed."¹¹Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" And he said: "Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate;¹²until the LORD sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land.¹³Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled." The holy seed is its stump.]

PSALM 138 (Psalms begin page 339)

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, ²through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. ³For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, ⁴and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last

of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

GOSPEL Luke 5:1-11

¹Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ²he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." ⁵Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." ⁶When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" ⁹For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." ¹¹When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

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