

✠ **SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY** ✠

Saturday, 5:00 p.m., January 18, 2020 ~ Sunday, 9:30 a.m., January 19, 2020

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-R815
Psalm 40:1-11
D-R574
C-R336
S-R535

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light
(Psalms begin page 339)
Here I Am, Lord
Lamb of God
Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

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. This weekend we pray for the Music Ministry/Prayer Groups at All Saints Catholic Parish.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God.

PRAYERS

Joanne Nicholls, Gordon Hansen, Alec Kennedy, Deb Nitchman's Family, Kay Zinsli, Diane Prevost, Tammy Furze, Julie Troy, Harold Kissau, Jim Malaski, Karen & Walter Spigelmyre, Emma Nelson, Bishop Craig Satterlee, Kevin Reiser, Karlene Trump, Charlotte Barnard, Jamie Shipman, Bill Estlack, Kim Branch, Nick Wittman, Dave Stebbins, Barb Agius, Betty Kelly, Duane Schultz, Maria Shelton, Mary Ann Czarnecki, Cassie Newman, Emily Cross, Liz, Lucas David, Dewayne Nail, Edna Delano, Yvonne Stoll, Bill Carr, Joseph Hansen, Scott Coddington, Cody Gustin.

Our prayer list is redone each month. If you, or a family member, would like to continue on the prayer list, please call the office (354-2640).

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Reading Matthew

Our Adult CE class on Matthew will start this week. Join us as we read through the Gospel of Matthew hearing parts we wouldn't normally hear and looking for connections between the parts. See you at 11 in the Lounge.

MLK DAY CHILI SUPPER JANUARY 20 AT 5 PM AT ACC

Chili, desserts and cornbread needed for the Annual MLK Fundraiser to support laundromat services for those in need. Join us for the afternoon movie and chili. Sign up sheet to bring something for the supper is in the Office Lobby.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY SERVICE JANUARY 22

6 PM SOUP SUPPER/7 PM WORSHIP

Join us as we gather across Christian tradition to worship together praying for our working together for God's Kingdom. The service is January 22 at 7 pm with the ever popular soup supper at 6 pm at First Congregational UCC. See you there.

GENERAL FUND GIVING

Average needed each week to meet budget	\$ 4,415.00
Weekly giving - January 11-12	2,761.00
Year-to-date over/(under)	(\$ 1,413.00)

Large print worship folders, including hymns and weekly bulletin are available from ushers.

“SUPER” SUB SALE FOR ALPENA NRN JUNE 2020 MISSION TRIP

**6-inch sub kits with choice of
meat, lettuce and cheese**

\$3.50 each or 3 subs for \$10

Order forms are available in the Office Narthex or call the Church Office at 354-2640

Orders due: January 26

Pick Up at Grace: February 1-2

Questions: Staci - 989.657.5051

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

The Little Food Pantry has been getting lots of visits with food coming in and food going out, lots going out. We are able to put only dry goods outside this time of year and we certainly are in need of dry goods. We started putting hats, gloves, mittens and scarves out at the beginning of November and we have been able to keep those items stocked, but we are in need of those items, as well. Many have probably noticed the recent change of the “Indoor Little Food Pantry”, we can house the canned goods and liquids in there during the cold temperature months. We would like to slowly introduce some fresh fruits and vegetables in that pantry to see how well they are received by the community in need. The indoor pantry will soon be available 24 hours a day. If you have questions, concerns, suggestions or issues with the pantry, please address Pastor Tom, Dawn Anderson at 657-6923 or Phran Ludington at 471-9117. We are happy to talk to you. If you would like to contribute, but don't want to shop, monetary contributions can be made and the shopping will be done for you. Thank you for helping to make a “Christ-like difference in our community”.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday - 19th

9:00 a.m. Choir - Lounge
 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. Worship
 11:00 a.m. Adult Christian Ed - Lounge

Monday - 20th

2:30 p.m. MLK Movie -
 ACC CTR 106
 5:00 p.m. MLK Chili Supper -
 ACC Lumberjack Shack
 6:00 p.m. "Sensible Shoes" Women's
 Group - Fellowship Hall

Tuesday - 21st

9:00 a.m. Sewing/Quilting
 6:00 p.m. Choir
 6:00 p.m. Council Discernment Time
 7:00 p.m. Council

Wednesday - 22nd

3:00 p.m. Lounge Reserved
 6:00 p.m. Soup Supper &
 7:00 p.m. LARCC Worship at UCC

Thursday - 23rd

5:00 p.m. Sanctuary Reserved

Saturday - 25th

**5:00 p.m. Noisy Offering Weekend
 Worship**

SERVING JANUARY 18-19

Ministers..... God's People
Pastor.....Rev. Tom Orth
Music Director.....David Delano
Lector.....Anna Lewis
Communion Assts..... Roger & Jeanne Pankey
Ushers.....Dale Schultz, Paul & Vicki Denstaedt,
 Phran Ludington
Greeters.....Joel & Cindy Suszek
Hospital.....Janet Chroninger
Altar Guild.....Kelli Liske, Arlis St. Charles
Counters..... Clarence & Bonnie Cross
Coffee Hour..... Ruby & Olivia Haske
Cookie/Doughnut Pickup.....
Wayne & Chris Christopherson

SERVING JANUARY 25-26

Ministers..... God's People
Pastor.....Rev. Tom Orth
Music Director.....David Delano
Lector.....Sandy Welch
Communion Assts.....Roger & Jeanne Pankey
UshersDale Schultz, Paul & Vicki Denstaedt,
 Phran Ludington
Greeters..... Jack & Patti Tucker
Hospital.....Janet Chroninger
Altar Guild.....Kelli Liske, Arlis St. Charles
Counters..... Clarence & Bonnie Cross
Coffee Hour..... Jeff & Sandy Welch
Cookie/Doughnut Pickup.....
 Wayne & Chris Christopherson

FIRST READING **Isaiah 49:1-7**

¹Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. ²He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. ³And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." ⁴But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God." ⁵And now he LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—⁶he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." ⁷Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and

stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

PSALM 40:1-11 (Psalms begin page 339)

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

¹Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, ²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—⁶just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

GOSPEL

John 1:29-42

²⁹[John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

³⁰This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ ³¹I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” ³²And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. ³³I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’” ³⁴And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.” ³⁵The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” ³⁹He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. ⁴¹He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). ⁴²He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

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