

✠ **THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY** ✠

Saturday, 5:00 p.m., January 21, 2017 ~ Sunday, 9:30 a.m., January 22, 2017

**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-R671** Shine, Jesus, Shine  
**Psalm 27:1, 4-9** (Psalms begin page 339)  
**D-R798** Will You Come and Follow Me  
**C-R496** One Bread, One Body  
**S-R818** O Master, Let Me Walk With You

**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 worshipping 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 8 LARCC parishes. Today we pray for the Homebound Parishioners at First Congregational UCC.

**LARGE PRINT WORSHIP FOLDERS**

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

**PRAYERS**

Travis Konarzewski, Gar Nicholls, Bunny Lyon, Judy Kautz, Debbie Anderson, Marilyn Whitscell, Erv Simi, Jeanette Grove, Elfie Jahnke, Lorraine Leathead, Gloria Moore, Dave Chroninger, Harold & Jean Kissau, Jim Malaski, Karen & Walter Spigelmyre, Dorothy Gentry, Emma Nelson, Julie Troy, Kevin Salesman, Jeff Lee, Conrad Addison, David Schaedig, Bishop Craig Satterlee, Cody Gustin, Brett & Katie Schoner, Eric Carlson, Martin Suszek, Larry Beaudoin, Shirley Johnson, Mike Knoblett, Dennis Diamond, and Richard G.

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

Given to the glory of God.

**ADULT CHRISTIAN ED**

**How Do We Agree to Disagree**

Our Wired Word lesson provides an example of much different response to statements that attempt to incite and provoke. How do we have conversations that are Christian in caring yet difficult and painful to have? Join us at 11 in the Lounge for a return of ACE for this week.

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR  
CHRISTIAN UNITY WORSHIP SERVICE**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25 AT 7:00 P.M.**

**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

LARCC is again having a worship service to promote unity amongst the Christian Traditions. This years theme is Reconciliation – The Love of Christ Compels Us (2 Corinthians 5:14-20). This theme comes from The Council of Churches in Germany (ACK) and their work toward the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation.

Grace hosts this year's service on Wednesday, January 25 at 7 pm. As an addition this year there will be a soup supper at 6 pm prior to the service. Join us for worship and supper.

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

Has God graced you with musical talent? Would you be willing to share it with the congregation? If you would be willing to provide special music for our worship services, please let a member of our Worship Work Group know. Thanks!

Sharon Engstrom  
Dorothy Hansen  
Dawn Gentry  
Ruby Haske  
Carolynne Wegmeyer

**2016 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

Statements are available to be picked up in the Narthex. If you would like your statement mailed to you, please let the office know (354-2640).

**HAPPENING THIS WEEK!**

**Sunday - 22nd**

8:50 a.m. Sunday School  
9:30 a.m. **Worship -  
Noisy Offering Today**  
11:00 a.m. Adult Christian Ed - Lounge

**Tuesday - 24th**

9:00 a.m. Quilting/Sewing

**Wednesday - 25th**

6:00 p.m. Soup Supper &  
7:00 p.m. Week of Prayer for  
Christian Unity Ecumenical  
Worship at Grace

**Thursday - 26th**

5:00 p.m. Sanctuary Reserved

**Saturday - 28th**

5:00 p.m. **Worship**

**GENERAL FUND GIVING**

Average needed each week to meet budget	\$ 4,058.00
Weekly giving - January 15, 2017	\$ 3,950.00
Year-to-date over/(under)	(\$ 860.00)

**SERVING THIS WEEK**

**Ministers** ..... God's People  
**Pastor** ..... Rev. Tom Orth  
**Music Director** ..... Berniece Lyon  
**Lector** ..... Cheryl Werblow  
**Communion Assts.** ..... Joe Gentry, Wayne Lewis  
**Ushers** Dale Schultz, Charles Snyder, Steve Garant,  
Vicki, Trevor, Isabelle & Miriam Denstaedt  
**Greeters**..... Corky Gates, Patti MacNeill  
**Hospital**.....Janet Chroninger  
**Altar Guild**..... Kay Zinsli, Elsa Phillips  
**Counters**..... Chris Christopherson  
**Coffee Hour** ..... Corky Gates, Patti MacNeill,  
Phran Ludington

**SERVING NEXT WEEK**

**Ministers** ..... God's People  
**Pastor** ..... Rev. Tom Orth  
**Music Director** ..... Berniece Lyon  
**Lector** ..... Corinne Fraley  
**Communion Assts.** ..... Joe Gentry, Wayne Lewis  
**Ushers** Dale Schultz, Charles Snyder, Steve Garant,  
Vicki, Trevor, Isabelle & Miriam Denstaedt  
**Greeters**..... Joe & Dawn Gentry  
**Hospital**.....Janet Chroninger  
**Altar Guild**..... Kay Zinsli, Elsa Phillips  
**Counters**..... Chris Christopherson  
**Coffee Hour** ..... Rick & Sharon Engstrom

**FIRST READING**

**Isaiah 9:1-4**

<sup>1</sup>There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the LORD] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. <sup>2</sup>The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. <sup>3</sup>You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. <sup>4</sup>For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

**PSALM 27:1, 4-9** (Psalms begin page 339)

**SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:10-18**

<sup>10</sup>Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. <sup>11</sup>For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. <sup>12</sup>What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." <sup>13</sup>Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? <sup>14</sup>I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, <sup>15</sup>so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. <sup>16</sup>(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond

that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) <sup>17</sup>For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. <sup>18</sup>For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

**GOSPEL** **Matthew 4:12-23**

<sup>12</sup>Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. <sup>13</sup>He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, <sup>14</sup>so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: <sup>15</sup>“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—<sup>16</sup>the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.” <sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” <sup>18</sup>As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. <sup>19</sup>And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” <sup>20</sup>Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup>As he went from

there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. <sup>22</sup>Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

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