

✠ FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY ✠

Saturday, 5:00 p.m., February 8, 2020 ~ Sunday, 9:30 a.m., February 9, 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-R705**  
**Psalm 112:1-9[10]**  
**D-R515**  
**C-R720**  
**S-R540**

God of Grace and God of Glory  
(Psalms begin page 339)  
Break Now the Bread of Life  
We Are Called  
Go, Make Disciples

**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 Trinity Episcopal Church Women at Trinity Episcopal Church.

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

In Thanksgiving for My Church Family  
Given by Gerri Moors

**PRAYERS**

Michele Amelotte, Bethany Popour, Gerald Lancaster, 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, Stephanie Bradford, Kevin Reiser, Karlene Trump, Charlotte Barnard, Jamie Shipman, Bill Estlack, Kim Branch, Nick Wittman, Barb Agius, Betty Kelly, Maria Shelton, Mary Ann Czarnecki, Cassie Newman, Emily Cross, Liz, Lucas David, Edna Delano, Yvonne Stoll, 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).*

### THANK YOU

Thank you to Rev. Gene Bacon for preaching and leading worship. We appreciate his being here this weekend.

### SPECIAL REQUEST TO MEMBERS

Some members at Grace with asthma can react to and have difficulty breathing with various perfumes or colognes. For those with special sensitivity, it can be surprising how little it takes to cause the reaction and even moving further away doesn't always help as the scent can travel a good distance. We would ask that you consider wearing as little as possible or even refraining from any perfumes or colognes for worship services allowing others to worship in ease and comfort.

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

#### GENERAL FUND GIVING

Average needed each week to meet budget	\$ 4,415.00
Weekly giving - February 1-2	6,171.00
Year-to-date over/(under)	(\$ 2,728.33)

### OUTDOOR SIGN FUNDRAISER

#### Euchre Tournament

(for 9<sup>th</sup> Graders through Adults)

#### & Game Night (for All Ages)

**Sunday, February 16, 2020**

**Potluck at 4:30 p.m.**

**Games begin at 5:30 p.m. or so**

Please join us for some fun, fellowship, and a little friendly competition. There will be a Euchre Tournament area as well as an area for those who want to play other games. Please bring whatever games you like to play. Also, please bring a friend. This is a great opportunity to invite others to Grace. Sloppy Joes, coffee, pop & water will be provided. Please bring a dish or snack to share. **Please sign up for Euchre, games and potluck on the sheets located on the table in the Office Narthex.** See the information sheet on the table for more details. If you have any questions, please see a Fellowship Committee member.

### HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

#### Sunday - 9th

9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b>
11:00 a.m.	Adult CE - Lounge

#### Tuesday - 11th

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

#### Wednesday - 12th

3:00 p.m.	Lounge Reserved
6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir

#### Thursday - 13th

5:00 p.m.	Sanctuary Reserved
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#### Saturday - 15th

5:00 p.m.	Worship
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### SERVING FEBRUARY 8-9

**Ministers**..... God's People  
**Pastor**..... Rev. Gene Bacon  
**Music Director** .....David Delano  
**Lector** ..... Paul Denstaedt  
**Communion Assts**..... Paul & Vicki Denstaedt  
**Ushers** ..... Roger & Jeanne Pankey, Matt, Everett,  
& Olivia Haske, Bruce Anschuetz&Tami Romel(Sat)  
**Greeters**..... Dennis & Cheryl Werblow  
**Hospital** .....Janet Chroninger  
**Altar Guild**..... Bethany Popour, Arlis St. Charles  
**Counters**..... Dale & Pat Schultz  
**Coffee Hour**..... Joe & Dawn Gentry  
**Cookie/Doughnut Pickup**..Sharon & Rick Engstrom

### SERVING FEBRUARY 15-16

**Ministers**..... God's People  
**Pastor**..... Rev. Tom Orth  
**Music Director** .....David Delano  
**Lector** ..... Verna Furze  
**Communion Assts**..... Paul & Vicki Denstaedt  
**Ushers** ..... Roger & Jeanne Pankey, Matt, Everett,  
& Olivia Haske, Bruce Anschuetz&Tami Romel(Sat)  
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### FIRST READING **Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]**

<sup>1</sup>Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. <sup>2</sup>Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. <sup>3</sup>"Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?" Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. <sup>4</sup>Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your

voice heard on high. <sup>5</sup>Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? <sup>6</sup>Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? <sup>7</sup>Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? <sup>8</sup>Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. <sup>9a</sup>Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. [<sup>9b</sup>If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, <sup>10</sup>if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. <sup>11</sup>The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. <sup>12</sup>Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.]

### PSALM 112:1-9 [10]

(Psalms begin page 339)

### SECOND READING

#### **1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]**

<sup>1</sup>When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I came

to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. <sup>4</sup>My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. <sup>6</sup>Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. <sup>7</sup>But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. <sup>8</sup>None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup>But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"—<sup>10</sup>these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. <sup>11</sup>For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. <sup>12</sup>Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. [<sup>13</sup>And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. <sup>14</sup>Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are

spiritually discerned. <sup>15</sup>Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny. <sup>16</sup>"For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.]

**GOSPEL** **Matthew 5:13-20**

[Jesus said:] <sup>13</sup>"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. <sup>14</sup>"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup>No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. <sup>17</sup>"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup>For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

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