

**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 9, 2020**

SUN	8:30 AM	Traditional Worship Service
	9:30 AM	Sunday Book Club
	9:45 AM	Family Book Club/Sunday School
	9:45 AM	Budget Review
	10:45 AM	Contemporary Worship
	5:15 PM	Youthful Spirit & Laudate
	6:15 PM	Graceful Ringers
MON	9:00 AM	Preschool 3, 4 & 5 year olds
	6:30 PM	Boy Scouts
TUES	9:00 AM	Preschool 2, 4 & 5 year olds
WED	9:00 AM	Preschool 3, 4 & 5 year olds
	5:15 PM	PrimeTime—Magic Chicken Casserole
	6:00 PM	Revelation Ringers/Confirmation
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir
THUR	9:00 AM	Preschool 2, 4 & 5 year olds
	6:30 PM	Sycamore Dist. BSA Roundtable
FRI	Preschool	Teacher In-Service Day—No preschool classes
SAT	5:00 PM	Worship

BREAD FOR THE DAY 2020- Bread for the day is a daily-use devotional resource filled with rich treasures; such as a brief scripture reading, a prayer and hymn for each day and more. They are available for purchase, at the cost of \$8.00, in the office. Only three copies left!

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS— Save the date! Nancy Kreznor will be providing free blood pressure checks between services on February 23rd.

SAVE THE DATE—

- Budget Review—FEB 9
- Afternoon Bible Study—FEB 11
- Sycamore BSA Roundtable—FEB 13
- Preschool In-Service Day—FEB 14
- Annual Meeting—FEB 16
- Church Office Closed—FEB 17
- Crandall's Fundraiser—FEB 17
- Afternoon Bible Study—FEB 18
- Sewing Circle—FEB 18
- DAP/Council—FEB 20
- Senior Luncheon—FEB 25
- Adoration—FEB 21
- Blood Pressure Checks—FEB 23
- Chili Fest—FEB 23
- Afternoon Bible Study—FEB 25
- Senior Luncheon—FEB 25
- Ash Wednesday/Service—FEB 26

- Lenten Soup Lunch—FEB 26
- BSA Patrol Leaders Conf.—FEB 27
- Adoration—FEB 28
- Sewing Circle—MAR 3
- Afternoon Bible Study—MAR 3
- All Comm. Meeting Night—MAR 3
- Midweek Lent Services—MAR 4
- Lenten Soup Lunch—MAR 4
- DAP—MAR 5
- Afternoon Bible Study—MAR 10
- Midweek Lenten Services—MAR 11
- Lenten Soup Lunch—MAR 11
- Sycamore BSA Roundtable—MAR 12
- Faith Circle—MAR 16
- Sewing Circle—MAR 17
- Afternoon Bible Study—MAR 17

DAY ONE SUBMISSIONS: Deadline is this Tuesday for next weekend's Day One. Email requests to lkleinjan@gracewoodstock.org.

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Fifth Weekend after Epiphany

*Take Day One home and stay connected to Grace all week long!
TODAY IN WORSHIP- Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.*

WELCOME TO GRACE! - If you are a guest with us today, we welcome you and ask you to please sign Grace's red friendship folder during the service and stop by the Information Center for a gift from us. Please join us again and get to know us better.

ANNUAL MEETING- Be sure to save the date of February 16th for the Annual Meeting following the 10:45 a.m. service at 12:05 P.M. Annual reports have been e-mailed and are available at the Welcome Desk.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LENTEN SOUP LUNCHES - Volunteers are needed to cook soup and make desserts for the midweek Lenten Soup Lunches beginning with Ash Wednesday on February 26th and continuing through April 9th. Please see the Activity Binder for more information or to sign up.

LENT- On Ash Wednesday, February 26th, we enter the season of Lent with an invitation to the discipline of Lent—self-examination and repentance, prayer and fasting, sacrificial giving and works of love. We hope this season will be a meaningful time for reflection and prayer for you and invite you to the following worship services. On Ash Wednesday, February 26 at Noon & 7:00 P.M., we gather for worship with the imposition of ashes and Holy Communion. Then, for the following five Wednesdays, we gather for Lenten Midweek Worship services at Noon & 6:30 P.M. for Holden Evening Prayer. Blessings on this season ahead, we hope to see you in worship.

LENTEN SOUP LUNCHES- Lenten Soup Lunches begin February 26th with Ash Wednesday and will continue through April 9th. Each week, after the noon Lenten Service, we will serve a homemade soup, fresh bread, coffee, tea and water plus various desserts in Grace Center. A freewill donation will be taken to cover expenses. Volunteers are needed to cook soup and make desserts. Please see the Activity Binder for more information or to sign up.

SENIOR LUNCHEON- Come join us on February 25th for a Mardi Gras Party! Our Mardi Gras' menu starts off with a Purple, Green & Gold Salad, followed by our southern entrée of Creamed Shrimp & Chicken over buttermilk biscuits, and Rosemary Green Bean. For dessert we are baking up the traditional King Cake, complete with baby inside. Please be sure to sign up in the Activity Binder by February 23rd. If you have any questions, please call Shirley Busse at 815-338-9063.



Day One

Grace for the first
day of your week.

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CRANDALL'S CHICKEN DINNER FUNDRAISER- The Confirmation class is hosting a Crandall's Chicken dinner fundraiser. Please support the confirmation kids as they serve up a delicious chicken dinner on Monday, February 17, 2020 from 4:00pm-8:00pm at Crandall's in Hebron. Tickets can be purchased at the door or from a confirmation student and will also be sold before and after services on February 9th. The cost of a dinner is \$15 for adults and \$10 for kids 8 and under. Exact change or personal checks made out to Grace Lutheran Church would be greatly appreciated!

DIXIELAND WEEKEND IS COMING- Mark your calendar for this once a year worship on February 23rd and invite friends and family to join in this wonderful celebration of Jesus' Transfiguration. This weekend closes the church's emphasis on the birth of Christ and moves us into Lent, paralleling Mardi Gras. Join us for this joyful celebration with Dixieland instrumentalists, all the choirs, and singing of hymns in New Orleans' Jazz style.

CHILI FEST- You are invited to Chili Fest following the Transfiguration Dixieland Jazz worship services on February 23rd. Please sign up on the Activity Board and **note if you'll be bringing chili or cornbread.** We will share in a friendly chili fest competition, share a good meal & fellowship, and there will be raffle baskets to raise funds for the High School Youth Group's summer trips (Ignite: Synod Youth Gathering in 2020, and Boundless: ELCA Youth Gathering in 2021). We hope to see you there!

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS SIGN UP- We will be holding First Communion on Palm Sunday, April 5th at the 8:30 a.m. service. In order to participate, parent and child must attend the preparation class-luncheon that will be held on Saturday, April 4th from 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Please sign up in the black activity folder by Sunday, March 15th if you and your child will be participating in First Communion. For more information, please contact Jen Freeman at jfreeman@gracewoodstock.org or call the church office at (815) 338-0554.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING THANK YOU- Your generous offerings for the Souper Bowl of Caring on Super Bowl weekend created a \$485 gift to ELCA World Hunger. Thank you!

SUNDAY BOOK CLUB- Sunday Book Club meets between services in Room 102 On February 9th, we will continue to read and discuss Hannah More and February 16 and 23 will be on Saint Maria of Paris. Come and learn about these great Women! Coffee and homemade treats provided along with a lively discussion. If you have any questions, please call Shirley Busse at 815-338-9063.

PRE-LENTEN BREAKFAST- Women of Trinity Lutheran Church of Harvard will be hosting their Pre-Lenten Breakfast on February 19th. Please call their church office at (815) 943-7433 to make reservations.

PRAYERS- Please lift up these petitions in your prayers—To become a praying member of the Friends in Prayer, please submit name and e-mail address to dklabunde@gracewoodstock.org.

World: Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, churchwide staff & their families, Bishop Jeff Clements, synod staff & their families, those serving in military conflicts, Arusha Town Lutheran Parish in Tanzania (our companion parish), Scott Bunch serving in the military.

Woodstock: Pastor Ken Gibson & his family; Pastor Amanda Bergstrom & her family; Grace Staff; Grace Council

Health Concerns: Charlie Bell (friend of Jamielynn Wedoff), Rev. Jim Berg (friend of Marlene Botts), Shirley Berna, Lois Bloese, Mary Sue Boerner (friend of Paul Lockwood & Diane Baker-Lockwood), Dee Bohn, Brian Bradford (friend of Diane Baker-Lockwood), Myron Callihan (brother of Susan Payton), Jim Davis, Nancy Davis, Lori Dechant, Patrice Dunn, Russ Freeman, Robert Giron (brother of Patty Kozlow), Tom Goggin, Becca Guenther (niece of Gretchen & Claude Hutchens), Tamasa Gutierrez (mother of Patty Kozlow), Sue Hanson-Smith (friend of Barb Aavang), Liz Henniges (wife of Al Henniges), Art Koeller (friend of Caryl Dierksen and former member of Grace), Steve Kosmen (loved one of the Koehn family), Elayna Kuipers (friend of the Wedoff Family), Anna Larsen (sister of Al Henniges), Elizabeth Lynd Loser, Amanda McNally (grandniece of Diane Baker-Lockwood), Dick McNally, Sarah McAllister (friend of Lauren Kleinjan), Karen Millman, Tammy Millman (daughter of Karen Millman), Kem Moran (friend of Barb Aavang), Collene Nelsen (cousin of Debbi Lynd), Gloria Ogle, Andrea Paetsch (aunt of Debbi Lynd), Linda Page (friend of Joe Evanoff), Georgia Petersdorf (sister-in-law of Gladys Renner), Pat Peterson, June Peterson, Carol Raffel, Bruce Randolph (husband of Ila Randolph), Carol Rank, Shawn Rank (son of Carol Rank), Barbara Readel, Sheila Readel, Jayne Reicher (great niece of Barb & Wayne Japp), Herb & Bev Renner (brother & sister in law of Ken & Gladys Renner), Jessie & Sue Robertson (friends of Ron, Mary & Kimberly Koehn), Nicholas Ruffino (brother of Nathan Ruffino), Joan Russell (mother of Sheri Conover), John Rust (Aavang family friend), Michael Schnepf (nephew of Sue & Terry Aavang), Colton Sciluffo (infant son of a friend of Joy Oberman), Nathaniel Shipp (family friend of Brian Meyers), Elsie Stoddard, Andrea Strayer (mother of Lisa Wahkowiak), Ginny Stroh (mother of Fay Wilson), Dave Sundby (brother-in-law of Deborrah Evanoff), Samuel Sweeney (nephew of Melissa McMahan), Josh Tillman, Brian Tobin (grandson of Enn Teetsov), Bev Visconti, Gino Visconti, Addie Jo Wedoff, Esther Wienke, Bud Winter, Marilyn Zaranto (friend of Marge Birk), Ruth Zirves

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

Monday:	2 Kings 22:3-20
Tuesday:	2 Kings 23:1-8, 21-25
Wednesday:	John 8:12-30
Thursday:	Proverbs 6:6-23
Friday:	2 Corinthians 4:1-12
Saturday:	Psalms 119:105-112
Sunday:	Deuteronomy 30:15-20, Psalms 119: 1-8, 1 Corinthians 3:1-9, Matthew 5:31-37

OUR WORSHIP LAST WEEK

SATURDAY	5:00 P.M.	44
SUNDAY	8:30 A.M.	143
	10:45 A.M.	54
WEEK TOTAL		241
Received for Budget		
Offering	\$	18,498.00
E-Giving	\$	1,301.00
Week Total	\$	19,799.00