

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF February 3rd THROUGH February 10th

### WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES

DAY	STUDY	TOPIC/TITLE	WHEN & WHERE
Today	Adult Study	<b>NO CLASS</b>	
Today	Youth Study	<b>ELEVATOR DEDICATION</b>	
Today	Adult Study	<b>Adult Inquirers' Class (AIC)</b>	12:00 PM – Fellowship Hall

**STEWARDSHIP NOTE: 1 Corinthians 13:4–5** – *“Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful.”* Love is the greatest of the three “theological virtues” because God is Love. That is why love is the fulfillment of the Law, because the Law is the reflection of God’s being and God is love. St. Paul urges the Corinthians to grow in love, to grow up into the image of Christ who demonstrates what love looks like with His sacrifice on the cross. For love always seeks the good of the other, always seeks to serve, to give, to bless.

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**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by Gaylord and Bonnie Weidner in memory of Herb Weidner.

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**2019 FLOWER CHART** is available for sign-up in the narthex. The cost is **\$27.00** for two bouquets. Please make your checks payable to “Grace Lutheran Church” and place in the secretary’s mailbox in the Communication Center.

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**NEW PASCHAL CANDLE:** Our new paschal candle is given to the glory of God by Carol and Jim Day in loving memory of Carol’s parents, James and Nancy Pfothenauer, and Carol’s grandparents, Russell and Margaret Pfothenauer. The paschal candle is lit on Easter and during its season to indicate that Christ “the Light of the world” is risen from the dead. It is also lit for baptisms and funerals as a reminder that the life of the Christian only has meaning in view of the resurrection of Christ from the dead. Paschal comes from the Greek word for Passover, *Pascha*, and refers specifically to the celebration of Christ’s resurrection. We thank Carol and Jim Day for their beautiful and generous gift.

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**ELEVATOR DEDICATION:** The dedication of our elevator addition will take place **TODAY** immediately after our worship service. We will gather in our new elevator lobby at **10:30 AM** for the dedication. A reception with coffee and kringle will follow the dedication downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us as we celebrate and give thanks to God for His many blessings here at Grace, including our new elevator.

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**GRACE COOKBOOKS:** 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cookbooks by Morris Press are available for sale before and after the worship service. All proceeds go to the Elevator Fund. Thank you!

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**GUEST PASTOR:** Rev. Ben Schimm, a theology teacher at Racine Lutheran High School, will be our guest preacher next **Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup>**. He will also lead Bible class. Pastor Crane is taking vacation next Sunday; however, he will be available in case of emergencies or for other pastoral needs.

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH SINGING:** The Sunday School and Youth Bible Study students will be singing in church **next Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup>**. Please be in the downstairs chapel at **8:30 AM** to practice our song.

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**PENS FOR SALE:** The Grace Youth Group is selling stylus pens with Grace's name and address on them. The pens are \$1.50 each and are on sale in the Office Equipment Room.

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**ADULT INQUIRERS' CLASS:** This 12-week course is for people who wish to join Grace, as well as for current members who want to study the basics of the Christian faith. The class meets **Sundays from 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM**. Please contact me if you have any questions or if you would like more information. Thanks! – Pastor Crane

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**100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY BOOK:** There is a book for all who wish to have memories or photos preserved for our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Scrapbook paper is available in a basket in the narthex. Please feel free to take a page to write out memories you have of Grace and add pictures. Digital pictures and memories can be emailed to Jeana Eaton at [jeana.eaton@yahoo.com](mailto:jeana.eaton@yahoo.com).

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**COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION:** If you would like to receive Holy Communion in your pew, please notify the pastor or an usher. If possible, please sit near the center aisle, and it will be brought to you at the conclusion of the distribution.

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**ACCESSIBILITY:** Now that our elevator is installed, the Board of Trustees is looking at additional ways to make our building more accessible for those with physical and mobility challenges. If you have any suggestions or questions, please speak with Daniel Widmar, Dennis Eaton, or Pastor Crane. Thank you!

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**QUILTING:** Our material supply is very, very low. We could use cotton donations. We have made 72 clothing protectors (bibs). Thanks. – Ruth Anger

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**MAIL SLOTS:** The **2018 offering statements** and the **February–March newsletters** are in your mail slots.

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**ST. PATRICK'S DAY FUNDRAISER LUNCHEON:** On **Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, at 12:00 PM**, the youth group is hosting a St. Patrick's Day fundraiser luncheon. The menu will be Corned Beef and Cabbage, Hot Beef, Sides, Desserts & Beverages. Tickets will be for sale in the Office Equipment Room. The cost of tickets is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for kids ages 3-10.

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**GRACE TOWN HALL:** Please join us on **Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>**, for a Grace Town Hall meeting at **10:30 AM**. This meeting is an opportunity for the entire congregation to give their insight and input about the future of Grace and how we can grow as we move ahead to the start of our next century as a church. We hope to see you there!

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**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** The dates of **SONRISE NATIONAL PARK Vacation Bible School** are **Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup> – Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup>**. The time will be **9:00 AM – 12:00 PM**.