

FEBRUARY 2022 GRACEGRAM

Grace alone . . . Faith alone . . . Word alone . . .

THANK YOU!

Thank you for being willing to take the worship survey.

The result of the survey was 21 people who wanted to move to one worship time, and 21 people who wanted to keep two worship times.

Seeing an actual tie, the Congregation Council voted unanimously to make no changes to our worship times.

We are blessed with a caring, loving, and supporting community of Faith.

The Congregation Council



Deadline for the February GraceGram is February 17, 2022.

Send your articles to: parishadmin@gracehastings.org



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

Jesus said,

"You are here to be light, bringing out the God-colors in the world. God is not a secret to be kept. We are going public with this, as public as a city on a hill. If I make you light-bearers, you don't think I'm going to hide you under a bucket, do you? I'm putting you on a light stand. Now that I have put you there on a hilltop, on a light stand — **shine!** Keep open house; be generous with your lives. By opening up to others, you will prompt people to open up with God, our generous Creator in heaven. Matthew 5:16

God's great Light

As you can see our Epiphany cross is ready for your votive candle holder. Even if you are unable to worship in person, please bring your candle holder to Grace so we can "bring out the God-colors in the world", and celebrate them in our house of worship. May the witness of Jesus take place here at Grace Lutheran Church, as we ask the Holy Spirit to direct us into reaching more and more people. We are called to share the light of Christ. It has been difficult to reach out during these dark days of dissension, turmoil, grief and illness but God calls us to share our love with each other. Let us shine the light of God.



Epiphany season. We first realize that Jesus is a human among us. God came to earth and dwells with us, as the Magi worship Christ, we too bow and give praise to Emmanuel, God with us. As baptized people of God, we also learn that Jesus is announced as God's Son. In grace, we are also made children of God and celebrate that love, forgiveness and acceptance for all. Let us be empowered to share God's grace not only here in our church building, but in our neighborhoods and community.

As you know, sometimes our own light goes out and we need someone to share Christ's light with us. Let us be the ones who shares God's light with each other.

Sharing Christ's light with you and the world,

Pastor Ken +



Let Us Pray: If you are aware of others that should be put on the lists, please notify the office.

Homebound:

Vivian Allerding Thornapple Manor

2700 Nashville Rd / Hastings 49058

Donna Buehl Thornapple Manor Wes Gillons Thornapple Manor Opal Gillons Thornapple Manor

Beulah Benedict Stone Ridge Adult Foster Care

4825 Fruin Road Bellevue MI 49021

Elsie Merrow Woodlawn Meadows

1825 East St. / Hastings 49058

Shirley Beck Hope Landing

1252 N. Cochran #116 Charlotte MI 48813

Carolyn O'Connor Hope Landing #118

Lois VonSeggern Butterfly Oasis

3113 Parchmount Ave Kalamazoo MI 49004

Military:

Grandson of Freedlunds

Parker Stancil (US Army)

Daughter & son-in-law of Cherie Clements

Myrina & Cody Crawford

Grandson of Gwen Hansen

Cynthia and Brady Rudesill

Nephew of Joe & Sharon Varkula

LT Joel Taggart (USN, Virginia)

Grandniece of Karen and Bill Halstead & Jan Schreiner

Julia Ehredt (Bahrain)



February Birthdays

Tori Schoessel	02/10
Jack Vos	02/14
Liz Markwart	02/15
Mattea Markwart	02/15
Teresa Burdick	02/16
Steve Rider	02/16
Nyla Rounds	02/16
Joe Longcor	02/19
Lorraine Freedlund	02/22
Kate Watson	02/28





February Anniversaries

Matt and Sandra Mikolajczyk 02/20 Frank and Ann Bolton 02/28



Giving Statements

Thank you for your generosity that is shared with Grace Lutheran Church through your contributions to the Ministry of JESUS CHRIST.

Giving Statements are included in the GraceGram, if there is an issue with your contribution statement please contact the church office at 269-945-9414.

Grace Lutheran Church,

I really enjoyed all the goodies. They really made my day!

Thank you all ~ Doris Allerding

Do You Love Soup?

Grace Lutheran Church is having a fundraiser for Family Promise. You can take 16 oz. containers of soup home.

Details will be found in future bulletins and the next GraceGram. The event is on February 27th after the second worship service.



Our worship service is in person at 7:00 p.m. on March 2, 2022



Called to the Church Triumphant

Mary Dawson



September 30, 1943 – January 8, 2022

The church celebrated Mary's life in Christ on January 15, 2022. May we continue to remember the promise of the resurrection.



With All
Your Heart!
Matthew 22:37

THANK YOU!

for all the wonderful gifts you shared with us this Christmas.
We are blessed to share ministry here at Grace.
Lots of love in Christ, Pastor Ken & Laura



Youth

Are invited to a tubing good time at Cannonsburg Ski Saturday February 26. Please sign up by February 20th.



Called to the Church Triumphant

Ilene Hilson



December 26, 1927 — January 3, 2022

The church remembered and celebrated Ilene's life in Christ at Lauer Funeral Home. Let us celebrate the life we have in Christ through the power of the resurrection.

We are PREPARED TO BE . . .







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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		Pastor's office hours 10am-12	Pastor's office hours 10am-12	Pastor's office hours 10am-12		
		Executive 6pm Flute Choir 6:00-8:30pm				
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Worship Services: 8:00 & 10:45 In-person, also	Pastor's office hours 10am-12 Outreach 4:30	Pastor at Grand Rapids Conference Meeting	Pastor's office hours 10am-12	Pastor's office hours 10am-12		
Online worship	Social Activities 5:45	Brothers of Grace 7 pm		Bells 3:30pm-5:00pm		
13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17	18	19
Worship Services: 8:00 & 10:45 In-person, also Online worship	Pastor's office hours 10am-12	Pastor's office hours 10am-12 Council 6 pm Flute Choir 6:00-8:30pm	Pastor's office hours 10am-12	Pastor's office hours 10am-12 Bells 3:30pm-5:00pm		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Worship Service: 8:00 & 10:45 In-person, also Online worship	Pastor's office hours 10am-12	Pastor's office hours 10am-12 MEF Committee 6:30	Pastor's office hours 10am-12	Pastor's office hours 10am-12		
27	28					
Worship Service: 8:00 & 10:45 In-person, also Online worship Soup Lunch Benefiting Family Promise	Pastor's office hours 10am-12	The Great LOVE is to one's life d for anoth	o lay own	ASEL VEDNE		



President: Randy Teegardin
Vice President: Chris Bush

Secretary: Lisa Pohl

Treasurer: Ed Domke

Church Council Members/Liaisons

Vickey Argo

(Congregational Care)

Doug Neeb (Property)

Vacant (Outreach)

Jamie Heise (Youth & Family)

Bill Freedlund (Small Groups)

Clyde Watson (Stewardship)

Deborah Wilke (Social Activities)

Vacant (Worship)

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:00 am and 10:45 am Worship also online: www.grace-hastings.org



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CHILDREN'S CHURCH

10:45 am
1st Sunday after Labor Day
through May @ 10:45 a.m.
Seeking a coordinator

Our Staff:

Ken Scheck II Minister of Word and Sacrament pastorken@grace-hastings.org

> Cindy Olson, Minister of Music

Parish Administrator parishadmin@ grace-hastings.org

Kim Domke, Bell Choir Director kdomke08@gmail.com

Nathan Freedlund, Custodian

OUR MINISTERS: THE PEOPLE OF GOD - Martin Luther

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