

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 1, 2020

10:00 AM Worship Service

Gathering Music

Entering God's Presence in Music

Grace Choir

"Change My Heart, O God"

Call to Worship

* Welcome and Greeting Time

* Opening Songs of Praise

"The Power of Your Love"

"In Christ Alone"

Opening Prayer & God's Greeting

"Nothing But the Blood of Jesus"

Moments in Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.*

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,

and the glory, forever. Amen.

Music Ministry

"Lamb of Glory"

Grace Choir

Scripture: James 4:1-10 (Page 1174)

Message: **SKILLS FOR MATURING DISCIPLES:**

OVERCOMING GRUDGES BEFORE GRUDGES OVERCOME US

Rev. Dr. Jack Doorlag

Prayer of God's Blessing on the Word

Offertory

Tithes and Offerings for God's Kingdom will be received.

Please sign the Fellowship Register as it is passed.

* Doxology - *"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"*

* Prayer of Dedication

* God's Parting Blessing

* Song of Departure No. 338 (Verse 1 & Chorus)

"Wonderful Grace of Jesus"

Departing Music

Organist, Paul Kerkstra

Pianist, Ruth Tacoma

*All who are able, please stand.

WELCOME

We are so glad to have you worship with us during this season of Lent. During this season we are all together in need of diving forgiveness, in need of power to lead a more faithful Christian life. Whatever led you to our church today, we believe God rejoices in having you in this place.

Please take a moment and sign your name and address on the Fellowship Register as it is passed today.

TODAY AT GRACE

9:50 – 11:15 AM DISCOVERY KIDZ will meet. All kids ages 3 years – 5th grade meet downstairs by the youth desk.

YOU ARE INVITED TO BRING YOUR PRAYER REQUESTS

forward following the service today and each Sunday. Come to the front of the sanctuary and give your prayerful support to those who are in need.

THE ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL class will meet in the Consistory Room following the morning worship service. You are invited join in!

6:45 – 8:00 PM Y-LIFE will meet at the Crossing. All Middle school and High school students welcome! Genesis Group Pastor Heather will have your information for our weekend away.

PRAYERS & PRAISE

HEALTH CONCERNS – Jim Herrema is home following shoulder replacement and rotator cuff surgery last Monday. Continue to keep him in your prayers as he heals. Shari Dood is recovering well following her recent surgery. For all other prayer requests and praise reports, see the prayer and praise line in today's bulletin.

IN APPRECIATION - *A special thank you to Shari and Dale Dood for spearheading the parsonage project. Thank you to all those members of our congregation that spent time their time and energy repairing and cleaning. The parsonage looks and smells very clean outstanding job to all.*
~John Sawyer

TRYPRAING BOOK REMINDER – If you have not picked up your copy, more are available in the gathering area. If you have finished your 7 days, we encourage you to pass your book along!

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2020

7:00 AM STAFF MEETING at Panera Bread on Clyde Park.

3:15 – 5:45 or 7:30 PM THE CROSSING for youth in
Grades 3 - 6.

IMPACT!

6:00 PM FELLOWSHIP DINNER. Subs are on the menu.
Come out and enjoy dinner and fellowship prior to classes.

6:25 – 7:30 PM

GEMS (Girls Everywhere Meeting the Savior) for girls in
grades 1 – 8th.

VICTORS – For boys in grades 1 – 8th.

BE BIG – For Preschool & Kindergarten children.

ADULTS – Meet Pastor Heather for a time of conversation.
We will look at what it means to find "rest".

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2020

6:30 PM SENIOR CHOIR will meet.

7:30 PM PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE.

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2020

6:00 PM TALENT SHOW! JARON, son of Brian and Mary Neal,
is a finalist in the Wyoming Intermediate School talent show!
Come out to support Jaron in his efforts! The school address
is: 1331 – 33rd Street (right down the hill from church).

6:30 PM BELONGING NEW MEMBER CLASS – There will
be two meetings covering 1/2 of the book each time. This will
be the first session. If you are interested please contact Shari
Dood (538-7498) and she will get the materials to you ahead
of time. Second session will be the next week.

NEXT WEEK, MARCH 8, 2020

2nd Sunday of Lent

NEXT SUNDAY – Pastor Jack Doorlag will be with us and share the
message: *“Skills for Maturing Disciples of Jesus – Living a Life of
Humility” James 4:10-5:6.*

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday, March 9, 6:30 pm **SWIRL NIGHT** for GEMS & Victors!

We are swirling the night up with doing everything backwards. Come on out for a fun evening.

Friday, March 13 – Sunday, March 15 **GENESIS** for High Schoolers!

Saturday, March 14 – **OUTREACH EVENT** – Feeding the homeless downtown. Join Brian & Mary Neal as they serve lunch at Heartside park. Meet at church at 10:30 to ride together.

Sunday, March 15 – **SAC (Sunday After Church) FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH** Come out and enjoy a time of fellowship together after worship! This is a reoccurring event on the third Sunday of the month.

Sunday, March 22, 10:00 am **GEMS SUNDAY!** Pastor Heather will share the message as the girls take part in the service. Our special offering for the month of March is designated for the GEMS organization and will be received this day.

7:00 pm **SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY** meets.

Monday, March 23 – **GENTS NIGHT AND LADIES TEA**

More details to come but we will need many extra members of our congregation to join us this evening to ensure every child has an adult with them. If you need a ride, we will transport this night only. Call the office (538-3100) to arrange your ride.

Monday, March 30th – **IMPACT CELEBRATION NIGHT**

We will be celebrating with all our leaders and students as GEMS, Victors, and Be BIG come to a close.

Sunday, April 5, 10:00 am – **FACES IN THE PALM SUNDAY**

PARADE. Remembering events that took place years ago on the road from Bethany to Jerusalem. The center of this parade...Jesus. Come out and learn more about those faces in the crowd.

Maundy Thursday, April 9, 7:00 pm **FACES AT THE TABLE.** The table of the Lord is being prepared for you. Please join us for this special service as we celebrate the Lord's Supper in a new and exciting way and learn more about those "faces at the table".

Easter Sunday, April 12, 10:00 am **FACES BY THE EMPTY**

GRAVE. Come celebrate the Risen Lord!

Sunday, June 7 – Save the date for **GRADUATION SUNDAY!**

MISCELLANEOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISCOVERY KIDZ: WE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED of teachers and helpers!!! All generations welcome!! Here are the dates that we need teachers: March 8,15 & 22 (All material and lessons provided) Helpers (crowd control): March 1,8,15, 22 & 29 Please sign up in the gathering area or see Pastor Heather.

EASTER MEMORIALS – This year once again you will have the opportunity to purchase an Easter flower in memory of a loved one. Flowers will be displayed on Easter Sunday and you will be able to take them home with you following the service. An insert will be included in the Easter bulletin with all donators and who their donation is in memory of. Watch for more information soon.

REMINDER to those that have speaking parts for the **MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE** to talk with Pastor Heather soon to schedule a time to do your recording.

“HAND 2 HAND” PROGRAM – Because a hungry child hurts. This ministry packs food in backpacks for children who may need it on weekends. They do this each Tuesday night here in our nursery! Volunteers deliver backpacks throughout the school year to our partner school, Gladiola Elementary. **Items needed in the month of March:** canned chicken (5 oz), taco rice, peanut butter (16 oz), individual cereal, fruit/cereal bars, microwave popcorn. Donation boxes are at the doors.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

GREETERS

	<u>Upper Door</u>	<u>Lower Door</u>
Today	Les & Tinna VanWyk	Eric & Erika Wigent
March 8	Ken & Cindy Wylie	Sandy Workman
March 15	Lexie Wagoner	Ray & Robin Zondervan

NURSERY

Today Robin Zondervan, Lilly Dood
March 8 Kerri Baker, Riley Dood
March 15 Lyndsey & Addison Boeve

USHER/COLLECTION

	<u>Aisle 1</u>	<u>Aisle 2</u>	<u>Aisle 3</u>	<u>Aisle 4</u>
March	Otto	Nordlund	Kubiak	Boeve

PRAYERS & PRAISE LINE

March 1, 2020

Congregational Prayers and Praise

*Everlasting Father, help us to feel calm when we become angry.
When pressure and conflict make us feel surrounded,
remind us that we are surrounded by your presence. Amen.*

- Thank you Lord, for loving us and for being in control of our days. Help us to live believing You are constantly working on our behalf.
- We pray today for the leaders of our church. We ask for God's blessing on their lives and work here at Grace.
- We pray for our church during this time of transition. We pray for the search team as they go about their very important work.
- Please continue to pray for "Impact" and The Crossing after school program. We pray that each family will know and feel God's love and care for them through our hands as we walk alongside them each week.
- We pray for our group of 4th grade students at Gladiola as well as their teachers.
- We pray for the Hand 2 Hand Program and Pastor Jordan Stonehouse as they provide weekend meals for the students in need. We pray that the reception of food will do more than just refresh their bodies, but lead to spiritual nutrition as well.
- We give thanks for the service men and women serving our country. In particular today we pray for Joshua Sawyer and Elsa Carpenter and their families.
- We pray for Jim Herrema as he recovers from surgery.
- We also remember Shari Dood as she recovers.
- Please be in prayer for Randy Weener. He underwent coronary bypass surgery on February 18. It is a longer recovery than he would like but he is doing well at home. Please pray for rest and good sleep. Please also pray that he can focus now on recovery and that he can rest in the grace and care of God.
- We lift up the niece of Orville and Esther Hoag, Lynette, who has just been diagnosed with cancer.
- Also, please pray for Alberta Weeber's sister, Winifred Leilter, who was diagnosed with breast cancer. Pray for her as she makes decisions on the best possible treatment.
- Thank you for praying for Janell Nordlund's co-worker, Michelle Downs' brother. Tadd passed away and has now undergone ultimate healing. Please pray for comfort and peace for their family.
- Please pray for 6 year old Nick Dood as he continues infusions for muscular dystrophy. Please pray for a drug that will cure his condition.
- Continue to keep Esther and Orville Hoag in your prayers.
- Please continue to pray for Char Otto who has chronic back issues.
- Pray for our Shut-in's: Mrs. Wilma Kamphuis, Mrs. Ruth Ver Merris, Mr. Jim Friar, Mr. Don Vander Veen, Mrs. Effie Bolt, Mrs. Gladys Kessel.