

‡ **THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY** ‡

Saturday, 5:00 p.m., January 25, 2020 ~ Sunday, 9:30 a.m., January 26, 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-R580
Psalm 27:1, 4-9
D-R805
C-R641
S-R696

How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord
(Psalms begin page 339)
Lead On, O King Eternal!
All Are Welcome
Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult

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 the Homebound Parishioners at First Congregational UCC.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Given to the glory of God.

PRAYERS

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, Kevin Reiser, Karlene Trump, Charlotte Barnard, Jamie Shipman, Bill Estlack, Kim Branch, Nick Wittman, Dave Stebbins, Barb Agius, Betty Kelly, Duane Schultz, Maria Shelton, Mary Ann Czarnecki, Cassie Newman, Emily Cross, Liz, Lucas David, Dewayne Nail, Edna Delano, Yvonne Stoll, Bill Carr, 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.

“SUPER” SUB SALE FOR ALPENA NRN JUNE 2020 MISSION TRIP

6-inch sub kits with choice of meat, lettuce and cheese

\$3.50 each or 3 subs for \$10

Order forms are available in the Office Narthex or call the Church Office at 354-2640

Orders due: January 26

Pick Up at Grace: February 1-2

Questions: Staci - 989.590.3937

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.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK!

Sunday - 26th **Noisy Offering Weekend**
9:00 a.m. Choir - Lounge
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. **Worship**

Tuesday - 28th
9:00 a.m. Sewing/Quilting
6:00 p.m. Choir

Wednesday - 29th
3:00 p.m. Lounge Reserved
6:00 p.m. Bell Choir - Sanctuary

Thursday - 30th
5:00 p.m. Sanctuary Reserved

Saturday - 1st
10 am - 2 pm Kitchen Reserved
5:00 p.m. **Worship**

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 - January 18-19	1,927.67
Year-to-date over/(under)	(\$ 3,900.33)

SERVING JANUARY 25-26

Ministers..... God's People
Pastor..... Rev. Gene Bacon
Music DirectorDavid Delano
LectorSandy Welch
Communion Assts..... Roger & Jeanne Pankey
Ushers..... Dale Schultz, Paul & Vicki Denstaedt,
Phran Ludington
Greeters..... Jack & Patti Tucker
HospitalJanet Chroninger
Altar Guild..... Kelli Liske, Arlis St. Charles
Counters..... Clarence & Bonnie Cross
Coffee Hour..... Jeff & Sandy Welch
Cookie/Doughnut Pickup.....
..... Wayne & Chris Christopherson

SERVING FEBRUARY 1-2

Ministers..... God's People
Pastor..... Rev. Tom Orth
Music DirectorDavid Delano
Lector Bob Greene
Communion Assts..... Paul & Vicki Denstaedt
Ushers..... Roger & Jeanne Pankey, Matt, Everett,
& Olivia Haske, Bruce Anschuetz&Tami Romel(Sat)
Greeters..... Jeff & Sandy Welch
HospitalJanet Chroninger
Altar Guild..... Bethany Popour, Arlis St. Charles
Counters..... Dale & Pat Schultz
Coffee Hour..... Clarence & Bonnie Cross
Cookie/Doughnut Pickup..Sharon & Rick Engstrom

FIRST READING

Isaiah 9:1-4

¹There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the Lord] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. ²The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. ³You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. ⁴For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

PSALM 27:1, 4-9 (Psalms begin page 339)

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

¹⁰Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹²What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." ¹³Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. ¹⁸For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

GOSPEL**Matthew 4:12-23**

¹²Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵"Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—¹⁶the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." ¹⁷From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." ¹⁸As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁹And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. ²³Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

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