

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF March 14, 2010

SUN.	8:30 AM	Traditional Worship—Sanctuary
	9:30 AM	Fair Trade Coffee—Narthex
	9:45 AM	Adult Café—Luther Hall
	9:45 AM	Education Hour
	10:45 AM	Contemporary Worship—Sanctuary
MON.	3:00 PM	Cantata Rehearsal—Sanctuary
	9:00 AM	Preschool 4s & 5s—Rooms 104 & 103
	4:00 PM	Open Gym—Luther Hall
	5:30 PM	Volleyball—Luther Hall
	6:30 PM	Boy Scout Troop 153—Grace Ctr., Rms. 106, 107
TUES.	7:00 PM	Faith Circle—Parlor
	7:00 PM	Mission/Vision Task Force Mtg.—Library
	9:00 AM	Preschool 3s & 5s—Rooms 104 & 103
	9:00 AM	Sewing Circle—Grace Center
	6:30 PM	Boy Scout Committee Mtg.—Room 101
WED.	9:00 AM	Preschool 4s & 5s—Rooms 104 & 103
	12:00 PM	Lenten Service—Sanctuary
	12:30 PM	Lenten Soup Luncheon—Grace Center
	5:00 PM	Messengers—Choir Room
	5:15 PM	PrimeTime—Italian Beef
	5:30 PM	2-Yr. Olds—Room 103
	5:30 PM	Cherubs—Room 106
	6:00 PM	Revelation Ringers—Room 102
	6:15 PM	Joyful Sound—Choir Room
	7:00 PM	Lenten Service—Sanctuary
THURS.	7:30 PM	Chancel—Sanctuary
	7:45 PM	Loping Lutherans—Luther Hall
	8:00 PM	Festival Choir—Sanctuary
	9:00 AM	Preschool 3s & 5s—Rooms 104 & 103
	7:00 PM	Council—Parlor
FRI.	7:00 PM	Exultation! Praise Team—Sanctuary
	9:00 AM	Preschool 4s & 5s—Rooms 104 & 103
SAT.	9:00 AM	Band—Sanctuary
	5:00 PM	Worship—Sanctuary
SUN.	8:30 AM	Traditional Worship—Sanctuary
	9:45 AM	Adult Café—Luther Hall
	9:45 AM	Education Hour
	10:45 AM	Contemporary Worship—Sanctuary
	4:00 PM	Cantata Rehearsal—Sanctuary
	7:00 PM	“Lord of Light” Cantata—Sanctuary

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Steve Young



Fourth Sunday in Lent

*Take Day One home and stay connected to Grace all week long!*  
**TODAY IN WORSHIP**—The psalm sets the tone this day: “Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!” Happy are those who have “become the righteousness of God” in the merits of Christ Jesus. Happy are those for whom the forgiveness of God has “rolled away ... the disgrace” of former times. Happy is the father at the return of his prodigal son. Happy are we that our sins are forgiven for Jesus’ sake. Rejoice!

**MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES** —Services are held at Noon and 7 p.m. every Wednesday during Lent. The services feature a newly created dialogue that will help us to more fully understand the only prayer Jesus has taught us, **The Lord’s Prayer**. Come and benefit from this fresh (and fun) learning experience! Noon soup luncheon: March 17, Fagioli (made by Borgie Stenoien)

**“LORD OF LIGHT”**—Next Sunday Grace will host four Woodstock churches in a musical presentation of the story of Jesus’ life on earth, last supper, crucifixion and resurrection told musically by 50-plus singers, a narrator, 6 storytellers and a 20-member instrumental ensemble. The program is scheduled for March 21 at 7 p.m. Do you need transportation to *Lord Of Light* on Sunday evening? Contact the **Church Office**, and we’ll provide assistance. Child Care will also be available.

**EASTER PLANTS** — Order forms for plants to decorate our worship area for Easter Sunday can be found at the Sign-Up Desk or in your service folders. The deadline for the \$12.50 donation is March 28.

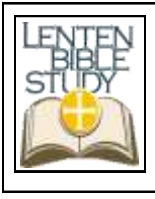
**NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION**—It is time for another new member class! Grace will be hosting a new member orientation breakfast on April 17, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in Grace Center. We will be having juice, coffee and some homemade goodies. Those that would like to become members of Grace or get more information on what it means to be a member of the family here at Grace, please sign up at the Welcome Center in the activity binder or call the church office, 815-338-0554.

**THE ADULT CAFÉ** — New Adult Bible Study continues this Sunday entitled “Why does God allow suffering?” This is a series created by Luther Seminary by four Theology professors. - Roger Oberman



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LENTEN BIBLE STUDY— Cyber activity is “alive and well” on Grace’s online Bible study program. The internet study is easy to use and easily accessed through our Grace website. Here’s how to sign on: Go to our website, [www.gracewoodstock.org](http://www.gracewoodstock.org), click on the “Lenten Bible Study” icon and you’ll be directed to the Bible Study Page. There are hard copies at the Welcome Desk for those without internet access.

Join our online Lenten Community!

GRACE PRESCHOOL HIRING—Effective immediately, Grace Preschool is accepting applications for a teacher and teacher aide positions for the school year 2010/2011. For an application and copy of the job descriptions please contact Linda Mindrum at 815/338-0554 or Chris Learman at 815-338-6792. Deadline to submit application, resume and transcripts is April 7.

HELP THE SCOUTS — Our Scout Troop 153 is selling *Butter Braid* bakery items (An outstanding coffee cake selection!) for a Spring fundraiser through March 15. A signup order sheet is provided in the Narthex.

MARCH SENIOR LUNCHEON — Our next monthly luncheon is Tuesday, March 23. It’s fun and games this month as we play Bunco for prizes. Our delicious meal features: Fresh Vegetables with dip, Oven fried Catfish, Scalloped Corn, Martha’s Slaw, and Pineapple/Peach Cobbler for dessert. Cost is only \$5 so bring a friend and be prepared to have fun! Please sign up in the Activity Binder by March 21.

NEW BOOKS IN GRACE LIBRARY—Several books have been added to Grace Library recently. We were able to obtain many of the books written or edited by Rev. Norma Cook Everist who spoke at the Women’s Retreat in January. Grace Library also has added some new VeggieTales DVDs for the kids.

GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER VIGIL —The Spirituality Team invites you to come pray with us during the Prayer Vigil, which will be held on Good Friday, April 2, from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. in the church parlor. Look for the sign-up poster to make sure all our time slots are filled, but there can be more than one person praying at one time. The congregation will have the opportunity to fill out the purple prayer request forms starting in March until Good Friday. Place them in the basket by the poster or put in an offering plate during services. These requests will be made available for everyone to pray for during the vigil. The Prayer Vigil is open to all ages.

GRACE PRESCHOOL — A new program for children who are 2 years old by September 1, 2010, is being offered for the Fall term. Register now for this new program! Contact Linda Mindrum at 815-338-0554.

VISITING GRACE?— If you are a guest with us today, please sign Grace’s red friendship folder during the service and stop by the Welcome Center and receive a gift from us for worshipping at Grace.

CO-DIRECTORS FOR PRESCHOOL—The Grace Lutheran Preschool Committee is pleased to announce that Chris Learman, current Preschool teacher, has begun as co-director as of March 1st. Chris will work with Linda Mindrum until Linda’s planned retirement on June 1st. The Preschool has been blessed by the leadership shown by these two great ladies.

RUMMAGE SALE 2010 — *Donations accepted*— Set-up for the sale May 10, 11, 12 & 13. Sale Dates :May 13 (p.m.), 14, 15 (a.m.)

PRAYERS-*Please lift up these petitions in your prayers— To become a praying member of the Friends in Prayer prayer chain, please submit your name and e-mail address to [dklabunde@gracewoodstock.org](mailto:dklabunde@gracewoodstock.org).*  
World: Bishop Hanson, Bishop Wollersheim; those serving in Iraq and Afghanistan, including Erik Given in the U. S. Navy, Rev. Darrell Kyle serving in the U.S. Air Force in Southwest Asia, ArushaTown Lutheran Parish in Tanzania (our companion parish), Amanda Meyer teaching in Yangon, Myanmar (Burma), Sarah Conroy-Meyer serving in the Army in Iraq (daughter-in-law of Tom and Cathy Meyer)  
Woodstock: Pastor Ken Gibson and his family; Grace Staff; Grace Council  
Health Concerns: Jill Byran (friend of Jacob Combs), Carol Cavin (niece of Marge Birk), Bonnie Cordia (sister of Tom Lopez), Patricia Dunn (Friend of the Hoover Family), Barbara Dye (friend of Bev Unglaube, Ellen Lohmeyer, Sue Olsen and Amy Varys), Ron Ehlenburg (friend of Shirley Burna), Anthony Enlow (friend of Kim May-Zelle), Joe Ewing (brother-in-law of Doris Sunday), Olga Grasser, Mary Guyett (sister of Doris Sunday), Carrie Hage (mother of Bill LeFew), Dick Holtfreter (brother of Carol Jarnecke), Frank Holy, Holly Hutchens (sister-in-law to Claude & Gretchen Hutchens), Sonja Hutchens, Janet Johnson (friend of Kim Beystehner), Carol Knutson, Dwight Jensen, Mimi Lange, Michael Mack (Son-in-law to Zel Edinger), Paul Miotto (grandfather of Dee Brown), Terry Mitro (sister of Pastor Ken Gibson), Charlene Montgomery (mother of Craig and Caryl Montgomery), Jean Niestroj (aunt of Mike Phillips), Kathy Nordin, Kayla Oberman, Gloria Ogle, Hazel Powell, George Rademacher (brother-in-law of Joe & Karen Wietermann), Shawn Rank (son of Bert & Carol Rank), Jeff Roberts, Larry Rowe, Cindy Schroeder, Gladys Servatius (mother of Nan Behrns), Kathy Sharp (friend of Jerry & Mary Johnson), Kathy Stone, Tom Stone (brother of Kathy Stone), Peter Stumpf (friend of the Cornells), Carol Thompson (daughter of Marge Dierksen), Josh Tillman, Carol Weide (daughter-in-law of Eileen Weide), Jeanette Wesemann (sister of Carol Jarnecke), Ruth Zirves  
Sorrow: Hope Fuller

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday: *Leviticus 23:26-41*  
 Tuesday: *Leviticus 25:1-19*  
 Wednesday: *Luke 9:10-17*  
 Thursday: *2 Kings 4:1-7*  
 Friday: *Revelation 19:1-9*  
 Saturday: *Psalm 53*  
 Sunday: *Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126; Philippians 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8*

OUR WORSHIP LAST WEEK

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	65
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	192
	10:45 a.m.	<u>106</u>
Weekend Total		363
Wed. Svcs. Noon & 7:00 p.m.		224
Education		95
Received for Budget		\$ 14, 403



# Day One — Grace for the first — day of your week.

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