

The Spirit

February 2020

Amazing
Grace
LUTHERAN CHURCH
OF GRAYS HARBOR

Longing for light, we wait in darkness

The darkness of January in western Washington is a fact of life. It rains here. Sometimes it rains a lot, day after day, after day, after day ...

And it's dark when it rains. We know rain is life-giving. It is necessary. It prevents forest fires and keeps the rivers and streams healthy. But, it's dark. And the dark can feel heavy and endless.

But, it's not just the literal darkness of these mid-winter days that make us long for light. **We feel the weight of the darkness of conflict, of violence; the darkness we feel watching life get even harder for the poor, the marginalized and those without voice. We feel the darkness of our own hearts weighed down by the need of the world so oppressive that we turn away.** We turn away from the news, from each other. Turning even away from acknowledging our own feelings.

It was into this darkness that I was reminded of Valarie Kaur's challenge to ask when faced with the darkness of our world's suffering, **"What if this darkness is not the darkness of the tomb, but the darkness of the womb?"** Valarie Kaur, a Sikh American civil rights activist and lawyer knows the darkness of suffering and **offers us not a way out but a way through.** When we feel as if everything is becoming too much to bear, she challenges us not to hide which, in reality is impossible. She challenges us to **breathe and to push through the suffering**, through the pain of disillusionment, through the broken hopes and dreams. Push into a future that we can birth together.

And that's why, at least in part, the church in its wisdom recognized the need for a season of light. Because the darkness is not just this month or this year and it's not just in this place, obviously. Darkness comes to the world at times as war, racism, hatred of the other in all its forms. But, it also comes in illness, and loneliness, death and betrayal, and in so many other ways. To everyone. Everywhere.

Into that darkness, Epiphany takes us by the hand and walks us, like a good friend from the mystery of the Christmas manger into the womb of the cross that transforms all suffering into new life, new possibility, a NEW CREATION.



We're not powerless and we're not alone. We have each other and we have God's Spirit transforming this darkness into light; this isolation into community; this suffering into new life.

Longing for truth, we turn to You and pray
Make us Your own, Your holy people
Light for the world to see.

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in Your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.

Make us your living voice.

Longing for food, many are hungry
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us Your bread, broken for others
Shared until all are fed.

Christ be our light.

Pastor Val



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.

ELCA presiding bishop issues response to President Trump's "Peace to Prosperity" document

"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem" (Psalm 122:6)

I am very dismayed and disturbed by President Trump's announcement of a "peace plan" that, I fear, will bring greater insecurity for Israelis and Palestinians instead of peace.

Our church has long held that any successful settlement of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict must be based on negotiation between the parties. Unfortunately, this "plan" has involved only one party. A plan made for a people without consulting that people will not bring peace. It also seeks to remove from the table many of the final status issues by effectively giving a green light to Israel to further entrench the occupation, rather than end it, - a [policy](#) we have advocated for years.

Rather than drawing together Israelis and Palestinians to reach a peace accord, the effect of this plan will be further alienation and, I am afraid, more tension, with the possibility of new, violent responses. This path will not lead to peace with justice. It will not promote reconciliation. But it will reinforce extremists in Israel, in Palestine and throughout the region, decreasing security for everyone.

Just last week, United Nations Under-

Secretary-General for Political and Peace-building Affairs Rosemary DiCarlo briefed the Security Council, noting:

"It is sadly not a surprise that a recent survey of millennials by the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) found that almost two-thirds (65 per cent) of Israeli millennials thought the Israeli-Palestinian conflict would "never end", making them the least optimistic of the people surveyed in countries affected by war. Palestinians were also pessimistic, although slightly less so, with 52 per cent believing that the conflict would never end.

"The international community bears a responsibility to help build a different future for these young Israelis and Palestinians, one that promises hope, reconciliation and peaceful coexistence rather than perpetual occupation and conflict."

She closed by saying she "would like to emphasize the continued urgency of resolving the Palestinian-Israeli conflict on the basis of relevant UN resolutions, international law and bilateral agreements."

Therefore, I call upon President Trump to develop a different plan that would involve all parties, and to pursue efforts that would adhere to international law and hu-

man rights conventions. This plan should ensure the protection and preservation of internationally recognized human rights and realize, for Palestinians and for Israelis, two viable, secure states living side by side in peace.

The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton
Presiding Bishop
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



WE ARE ENTRUSTED WITH THE MINISTRY OF PRAYER

FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING:



Pastor Michelle, Phil and baby Claire, Larry Murray, June Bender, Bill Davison, Gloria Bilderback, Jeff Brown, Andrea Barkstrom, Kaitlyn Flaherty, Holly Henderson, Cody Walls, Doreen Boettcher, Carter, Kenny McCoy, Susie Kallendar, Kevin, Tom Plumlee, Lana Wilke, Ginny Clark, Philip, Matthew Green and his

family, Betty Schlaht, David Shaw, Don Rabung, Whitney Morean, David Hanson. We pray for the family and friends of Donna Spere. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

FOR AMAZING GRACE: that all we do in fellowship and service would be done humbly following the Holy Spirit's guidance.

FOR THE WORLD: Console us, Redeemer God, when we are dismayed by the news of the world. Stir your people to act and speak for justice and mercy throughout the world.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED IN THE MILITARY IN THE PAST AND FOR THOSE CURRENTLY SERVING: especially Caleb Berken, Steven Kincaid, John Kupka.

FOR MISSIONARIES AROUND THE WORLD: especially Stacie Evensen's Myanmar Mission.

FOR THOSE WHO LIVE ON THE MARGINS IN OUR OWN COMMUNITY: Those who live outside, in cars, or in unstable housing; those who live with food insecurity; those who are unemployed or under-employed.

FOR THOSE WHO WORK FOR THE CARE OF THE VULNERABLE IN OUR COMMUNITY: Organizers of Family Promise, workers at the Salvation Army and Union Gospel Mission and those reorganizing the Aberdeen Food Bank.

God of love, hear our prayer. Amen.

We periodically edit the prayer list. Please contact the office 532-8250 to update prayer requests.

Contact Brenda Grant with prayer requests at:
brenda_k_grant@hotmail.com

PRAYER LIST

We are committed to praying for the needs of the people. Please let the office know if you have updates on any of the people we have been praying for.



All Grace Notes and bulletin announcements need to be submitted to the office by Thursdays 10:00am.

February Birthdays and Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS:

Maizie Jane Jewitt, February 5
Mike Barkstrom, February 6
Jane Teveliet, February 6
Kylie Weiberg, February 6
Krister Lile, February 7
Joyce Smith, February 11
Doris Tieder, February 11
Carrie Erwin, February 15
Emil Frafjord, February 17
Darci Jewitt, February 17
Amy Ostwald, February 17

Elaine Lokken, February 18
Brady Green, February 22
Molly Leithold, February 25
Charlotte Kupka, February 26
Mari Rabung, February 26
Isabella Evanson, February 28

ANNIVERSARIES:

Jeannette & James Green, February 11
William & Joan Rabung, February 13
Jim & Michelle Weiberg, February 23

Thank you:

Naomi for helping Vicky assemble Newsletter and bulletins and Annual reports.

Maintenance crew for all your hard work.

Maintenance crew for putting up the tables for the quilters.

Theresa Kaufman for taking the minutes for Annual meeting.

To all of those who helped with the 4-f dinner and the Family Promise fundraiser.

To everyone for getting their reports turned in for the Annual reports.

To Mark Smalley for providing faithful leadership for 6 years as council president.

To Church Council members for their leadership that keeps us strong and faithful.



4- F DINNER

Our “retro” dinner was a success! Thirty-nine attendees enjoyed delicious pot roast, garlic mashed potatoes, carrots with honey butter, Karen’s delicious oatmeal cake with pecan- coconut frosting (when Mike was in Vietnam, she would send these cakes) lime jello with pineapple and carrots and focaccia made by Eileen Schermer.

Amy put together the raffle bag donated by Beate Wahl which was filled with cookies, coffee and 2 mugs. Darrell Lokken was the winner, sorry Carmon!

Thanks to your generosity, we deposited \$1,360! Our 10 %1 tithe this year will be 1/3 LWR, 1/3 Lutheran Disaster and 1/3 to the local Altrusa group.

Thank you to the kitchen help- dishwashers-servers and cooks: Michael Mendoza, Naomi, Mike Hubbard, Karen, Mike, Jill, Kristine, Kala, Madison, Jacob, Anika, Richard, Joni , and bartender Mike Hildreth. Thank you to Marti and Naomi for peeling #30 of potatoes!

Diane led us in grace.

Our new goal is restoring the sanctuary stained glass windows.

If you missed this dinner, watch for the date of our St Patty’s corned beef dinner!

Judi Hubbard

THANKS WE'VE RECEIVED FROM OTHERS

- "It is with sincere gratitude that The Aberdeen Lions Foundation thanks you for use of the Amazing Grace Church Hall for our fund raising dinner to benefit the Family Promise organization. We had over 90 individuals signed up for the dinner and raised over \$6,000 for Family Promise."

-Lions Club

- **Habitat for Humanity** thanks Amazing Grace for a donation of \$44.65 and \$45.91
- **Union Gospel Mission** thanks Amazing Grace for a donation of \$160.60
- **Pacific Lutheran University** thanks Amazing Grace for a donation of \$90.56 for January and \$ \$58.54 for December



RECYCLE OPTION!

To keep in line with our recycling mission, please bring your newspapers in a bag to church! There will be a container in the room by the caring cupboard sections. It says "newspaper only". The Lions members from our congregation will take it away.



FELLOWSHIP

Thank you for using cloth napkins! When you are done with them, please take them home to wash them and return them before fellowship the next Sunday.



ANNUAL 4-F ST. PATTY'S DINNER

Saturday March 21st will be our 6th annual St Patty's dinner. We are very close to funding the replacement of the parish hall roof.

We need to know how many to prepare for, we appreciate your payment of \$20 when you sign up. If you are willing to provide soda bread, please let Eileen Schermer know.

We will have another fun night, Charles will be at the piano to accompany your singing!

Your 4-F team

SERVING AT AMAZING GRACE

VALENTINE CARE PACKAGE

Every year we celebrate Valentine's Day by sending Valentine care packages to our college age students. If you would like to contribute something there will be a box in the fellowship hall. Ideas are hot chocolate packets, teas, candies, etc. You may also contribute money to help defray the postage costs.

Parents if you have children that are college age, please notify the church office with their current school address so we can send them Valentines! We will receive donations for the Valentine boxes on Feb 2nd and 9th and pack them on Feb. 9th. Thank you for your support of our students!



FAMILY PROMISE

Our congregation will be hosting Family Promise the following four weeks in 2020:

February 2-8

April 12-18

June 21-27

November 8-14

Thank you for your steadfast support of this ministry. You may contact Carmon Shaw: Carmon 248@gmail.com or Suzan Stegemoeller: suzansteg@hotmail.com



UNION GOSPEL MISSION February 4

Carmon Shaw, Leader Brenda Grant, Chrissie Kincaid, Amy Ostwald, Theresa Kaufman, Eileen Schermer, Joni Hildreth, Arlene O'Connor, Cynthia Johnstone

Substitutes: Hiedi Seelke, Carmon Shaw
360-532-2940



The director of UGM says that we can expect to serve about 50 people. They need food delivered before 5PM so that they know what is coming. Thank you!!!

HELPING GRAYS HARBOR'S AT-RISK YOUTH

The 1st Sunday of each month we highlight the needs of the at-risk youth in our community. Our Caring Cupboard is a one-stop donation site for the Gravity Center and other entities that serve Grays Harbor Youth.



G.R.A.V.I.T.Y. Program

Typical Gravity Center kids are experiencing poverty and neglect. The kids are always hungry and can always use: Cup of Noodles, instant cocoa packets, bread, peanut butter and jelly, canned tuna, cookies and fruit. In addition the **teen parents** need: Diapers Size 1 or larger, baby wipes, soaps or lotions, clothes, bottles, Children's Tylenol, diaper rash creams. These items may be left in the basket in the Parish Hall for pick-up and delivery by Vicki Mitchell.



LIVING STONES PRISON CONGREGATION

Our living Stones Prison visit to Washington Corrections Center in Shelton, is on Saturday

February 29. We will depart Amazing Grace at 4:15pm. We need to be at the prison by 5:30pm and will likely depart the prison by 8:30pm. We plan to carpool from the church. The men are looking for-

ward to worshipping with us, and we look forward to worshipping with them.

February 16th is the last day to sign up .

We need to submit names for a background check by Monday, February 17. Please give the following

information on the sign up sheet in the parish hall or call the office 360.532.8250. We need your full name (first name, middle initial, last name): the last four digits of your SSN; date of birth, and mail address. Everyone must bring photo ID.

GROWING AT AMAZING GRACE

MANNA AND MERCY BIBLE STUDY

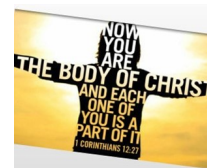
Manna and Mercy is our guide from Genesis to Revelation. Everyone is invited to be immersed in “God’s unfolding promise to mend the

entire universe.”

It’s not too late to join a group or form a new one.

Groups meet Thursdays at 7pm and most Wed. at 12:30.

Amazing Grace Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes January 14, 2020 6:15 pm



Vision: A welcoming place where grace happens.

Mission: To Experience and share God’s love through worship, education, and community.

Values: Radical Hospitality; Passionate worship; Intentional faith development; Risk-taking mission and service; Extravagant Generosity.

Attendance: Pastor Val, Amy Ostwald, Judi Hubbard, Joelle Buckman, Mike Barkstrom, Mark Smalley, Theresa Kaufman, Phil Stegemoeller and Vicky Kolb

Call to Order Mark Smalley 6:15

Prayer and Devotions – This is Mark Smalley’s last council meeting, as a send-off to Mark, council went over their highs and lows from the past 5 years. The highs mentioned were coming to Amazing Grace, spending time with their grandkids, having Mark as council president, being together with family, seeing growth in one’s kids, being on council and hosting River City. Low was loss of family. Thank you Mark for all your hard work.

Establish Quorum

Review and Approve Agenda **M/S/P**

Review, correct and final approval of minutes for last meeting, December 17, 2019 **M/S/P**

Financial Reports

a. Treasurer’s Report – Theresa Kaufman

-Theresa will amend Altar Guild

-Transactions by Account **M/S/P**

b. Financial Secretary’s Report – Phil Stegemoeller –

-Phil will add the Thrivent deposit to his report.

- i. New Program for financial secretary- Phil got approval from work to use new program. If the program works, Phil might be able to do the card reader also.
- ii. Card Reader update: Phil will get in contact with Liz to see if she is still interested in the task.
- iii. Online giving- Theresa will get in contact with Vanco, so Amy will have the authorization to add a link to the church’s website so that people are able to do online giving.

Business items (these are generally items that are beyond any one ministry or don’t fit under any ministry, special requests from the community)

a. Portico Benefits Issues – Mark /Theresa:

-Theresa needs to go into Portico and put in the actual amount of Pastor’s salary.

b. Vice President signup for 2020 - Joelle:

Dee- January, February, March

Judi- April, May, June

Amy-July, August, September

Phil- October, November, December

c. Council Retreat Planning – Mark/Joelle – March 14th. Retreat will start at 9am

- i. Please bring your calendar so we can find a date that works.
- ii. Possible topics more in depth on job descriptions and Holy Currencies
-Any topics you may think about are helpful and maybe directed to council.

d. Annual Meeting Program – Mark

- i. Review agenda- narrative budget

e. Facility use policy – review and update – Pastor Val

-There are several people that use our facility. The policies that enable us to determine how it's used needs to be updated. Joelle and pastor Val will be going over the bylaws for Amazing Grace Lutheran Church and updating it. Under the facilities part in bylaws, there is a section, that in case of an emergency, Stafford Creek may use our Facility, more clarification is needed in this area. The plan is to have it ready by the end of the year to be voted on.

f. Making hourly estimates a part of monthly reports – Mark

-When council sends in their monthly reports, they also need to include the hours that were spent for their ministry. This will help in preparation for the annual reports that we ask for in January, that will go into the annual booklets for the Annual meeting in January.

g. Funeral Fund - Judi

-Pastor Val and Judi talked about who and what is needed for funerals. They discussed on having better conversations with family members, so pastor Val, Judi and family members know what to expect and that there are no surprises.

-Money required for funerals will be taken out of Memorial Fund and money coming in will be put into Memorial Fund M/S/P

Ministry Reports-Dee unable to attend, due to weather conditions.

a. Worship – Dee Erickson

- i. Altar Guild: Met at the end of the month.
- ii. LAT
- iii. Worship Committee

b. Outreach – Joelle:

- i. Family Promise – AGLC's weeks in 2020:

-Amazing Grace will be hosting Family Promise February 2-8. The Methodist church in Hoquiam has been added to part of the rotation as a hosting church.

- ii. Homeless outreach -
- iii. Cold Weather Shelter – Pastor Val

-The cold weather shelter is temporarily being held in Aberdeen at 504 S.F. St. The shelter is on the small side and is only able to hold 22 cots. It was mentioned that the cold weather shelter maybe relocated to St. Mary's church in Aberdeen. This program is volunteers only, so if there aren't enough volunteers it won't happen. If you are interested in helping out, contact Pastor Val or Joelle. Meetings are held weekly to come up with a permanent solution.

- iv. Refugee Support – Pastor Val:

-Liz and Brenda connected with a family in Seattle. Liz has volunteered her house for the family to stay in. The father has a job. Pastor Val has met with them. Pastor Val took them to the food bank at the Presbyterian Church so they could pick up a box of food and will be planning a day to visit the clothing bank. Mike mention to Pastor Val that the Salvation Army Food Bank is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

c. PSALM report – Joelle & Pastor Val:

-Joelle and Pastor Val will meet on Saturday, this will be the second intense meeting. They are working on a fundraiser for the PSALM class. They will be selling super bowl subs, so watch for announcements. Joelle applied for a Thrivent card for this fundraiser. Joelle will also be reaching out to the community for fundraising opportunities.

d. Youth & Family – Amy Ostwald -

- i. Sunday School –

-Sunday school class started after Christmas break on January 5th. Amy and Pastor Val met to organize S.S. lessons for the coming months. Amy hopes to have this set up, so it's easier for the new Youth & Family council rep. Amy has passed on a lot of information to Curtis and Shayna.

- ii. Confirmation – Pastor Val-



- Confirmation class meets weekly on Thursdays from 5-6:30, they will meet until Lent. The two members are: Annika Natwick-mentor Kathy Wehage and Madison Winter-mentor Brenda Grant.

iii. Youth Group: Not meeting currently.

iv. Adult group study – Manna and Mercy

-Manna and Mercy book study continues to meet on Wednesdays and Thursdays, both groups are well attended. The groups are learning a lot and have interesting discussions.

e. Fellowship – Judi –

-Judi will be meeting with Pastor Val on Thursday. The 4-F dinner was well attended. The St. Paddy's dinner is coming up, watch for announcements. Judi will apply for a Thrivent card

i. Communion Ministry

ii. Welcome Committee

iii. Special Events Team: did a great job with the funeral for Maxine Cogburn.

iv. Guess Who's Coming to Dinner

f. Property – Mike Barkstrom

-Fencing update- have approval so we can go ahead and start putting up.

-roof- There are three bids in place: A-1 roofing, Lupo Construction and Tetzlaff Roofing. Mike will be doing background search for what their policies are for one of the companies.

Mike will complete his due diligence and make a decision and recommendation on how to proceed. A vote of the council will most likely be called for via email prior to the next meeting. The gutters will not have to be replaced as a result of the new roof and will be cleaned after the construction. Zinc strips will not be required as these shingles will have zinc embedded in them.

-Deck carpeting: ordered. Mike will check with Moore's to see if it's in place.

Pastor's Report

-A workshop for "Building an Inclusive Church" is scheduled for February 7-8. Pastor Val is looking for more people to go, some have already signed up. If you're interested, contact pastor Val.

Task Assignments

--Phil and Theresa will get together to go over reports for the last 12 months.

-Theresa will get in contact with Vanco. Give Amy authorization to put link for online giving on church website.

-Judi needs to pass on Thrivent deposits to Phil.

-Phil needs to get in contact with Liz about card reader

-Vicky needs to find job descriptions of council members and put into a folder.

-Joelle and pastor Val need to update the bylaws.

-Pastor Val and Judi need to go over funeral preparations and what's expected of everyone.

--Amy will email Mike info about stained glass windows.

-Pastor will send out Pastor's report

-Mark will send an example of agenda to Joelle for annual report.

Adjournment and closing prayer 8:22

PASTOR'S REPORT – REGULAR ACTIVITIES – December 2019

WORSHIP/DISCIPLESHIP

Sunday worship – Plan and lead

Plan adult education

Plan seasonal and special worship services

Sermons – prayer, study, reading, writing

Prayer

Meet with ministry leader as needed

ADMINISTRATION

Reports: congregational; synod; ELCA

Conference Pastors meeting monthly

Conference deans – meet bi-annually & as needed

Recordkeeping: updates to documents; church ledger

Work with office administrator: bulletins, newsletter, etc.

Council meeting & Exec. Comm. meeting monthly

Newsletter - writing, editing

Meet with treasurer as needed

Mutual Ministry meeting

Endowment Committee advisor

FELLOWSHIP/PASTORAL CARE/COUNSELING

PSALM – mentor; spiritual direction



Prayer Chain – coordinate w/ Brenda Grant
 Healing monthly
 Grace notes weekly or as needed
 Pastoral care as needed
 Hospital visits; homebound & assisted living visits
 Coordinate with ministry leader as needed
 Food Bank reorganizing meetings
 Monthly local Pastor's group
 Facebook page – outreach through social media.
 Coordinate with others to support homeless and fragile people
 Meet w/ ministry leader as needed



OUTREACH

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE

Meet w/ ministry leader as needed

YOUTH AND FAMILY

Adult study: plan and participate

Confirmation: plan and lead

Sunday School: coordinate with ministry leader

STEWARDSHIP/EVANGELISM

Study and integrate into sermons

OFFICIAL ACTS

None

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH: The Road to Peace by Nouwen, A Failure of Nerve by Friedman

OTHER ACTIVITIES in December

ADMINISTRATIVE: Budget planning

PASTORAL CARE:

Cogburn funeral planning

Visits, calls, texts, messaging as needed

WORSHIP:

Christmas Eve worship

Planning new liturgy for Epiphany

YOUTH/FAMILY/Education:

Manna and Mercy – 2 Study times: Thursday 7pm and about every other Wednesday at noon

Plan PSALM Intensive – sermon prep

OUTREACH:

Planning with CCAP and County to organize Cold Weather Shelter

Organized volunteers and supplies for Cold Weather Shelter for 5 days

VACATION:

Dec. 26-31

UPCOMING:

Annual Meeting 1/26

DECEMBER BALANCES OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS

Name		Date	Total
Checking			\$ 33,410.30
-PSALM			\$ (116.00)
-Caring Cupboard			\$ 433.51
-Pastor's Sabbatical Reserve			\$ 2,620.00
-Music			\$ 446.01
-Bells			\$ 465.95
-Friends in Need			\$ 447.47
-Reformation Fund			\$ 1,071.20
-Outreach Funds			\$ 500.00
-Altar Restore			\$ 386.83
-Altar Guild			\$ 70.00
-Noisy Offering			\$ 306.08
-Grace Fund			\$ 380.00
		TOTAL	\$ 40,421.35
Fundraising Checking			\$ 1,860.90
Maintenance Checking			\$ 44,539.03
Youth Checking			\$ 295.75
Memorial Savings			\$ 2,417.08
Mikkel Thompson Savings			\$ 1,184.23



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BUILDING REPAIRS/MAINTANCE

Please notify Mike Barkstrom or send a message to the church office if there are any repairs needed at the church. Sometimes members or visitors notice things that need to be fixed that the committee is not aware of. Your input is helpful in these matters.

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Musicians: Kristine Burns, Heidi Seelke



FEBRUARY 2020 WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

February 2

Liturgist: Charles Scamman; **Worship Assistant/Reader:** Joelle Buckman; **communion Assistant:** Joelle Buckman; **Ushers/Greeters:** Ray Hodge & Mike Barkstrom; **Depositors:** Michael Mendoza & Dee Erickson; **Fellowship:** Weiberg, Leithold, Channel, Teveliet, Jewitt, Steinhauer; **Altar Guild:** Naomi Kraiger & Cynthia Johnstone; **Sunday School Teacher:** Carmon Shaw; **Acolyte:** Annika Natwick

February 9

Liturgist: Keith Lile; **Worship Assistant/Reader:** Mark Smalley; **communion Assistant:** Carmon Shaw & Arlene Torgerson; **Ushers/Greeters:** Joan & William Rabung; **Depositors:** Darrell Lokken & Mark Ostwald; **Fellowship:** White, Elder, Stephens, J. Erickson; **Altar Guild:** Laura Carle & Dee Erickson; **Sunday School Teacher:** Anneliese Kraiger; **Acolyte:** Madison Winter

February 16

Liturgist: Hank Bilderback; **Worship Assistant/Reader:** Steve Swanson; **communion Assistant:** Elaine Olsen & Vicki Mitchell; **Ushers/Greeters:** Dorothy Stephens & Paula Elder; **Depositors:** Theresa Kaufman & Eileen Schermer; **Fellowship:** Alstrom, Tieder, Schermer, Johnstone; **Altar Guild:** Trish Safstrom, Elizabeth Tilley & Maurita White; **Sunday School Teacher:** Laura Carle; **Acolyte:** Annika Natwick

February 23

Liturgist: Greg Johnstone; **Worship Assistant/Reader:** Darci Jewitt; **communion Assistant:** Phil & Suzan Stegemoeller; **Ushers/Greeters:** Karen & Mike Barkstrom; **Depositors:** Hiedi Seelke & Gene Schermer; **Fellowship:** Mitchell, Kaufman, Biornstad; **Altar Guild:** Kath Wehage & Diane Hanson; **Sunday School Teacher:** Amy Ostwald; **Acolyte:** Madison Winter



Joe Fernandez, PSALM participant, worship assistant for January.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
FEBRUARY						
2 9 AM CHOIR 10 AM WORSHIP 11:15 AM FELLOWSHIP/ SUNDAY SCHOOL	3 4:30-6:30 PM GIRL SCOUTS 6:30-8 PM DRIFT- WOOD PRACTICE	4 6:30-8 PM FAMILY PROMISE BOARD	5 9-12 PM QUILTING & MAINTENANCE 12:30 MANNA & MERCY 5:30-6:30 PM AA 6-7 PM BELLS	6 7PM MANNA & MERCY	7 6-10 PM SCRAP BOOKING	8 10:30-12 PM DRIFT- WOOD PRACTICE 7-8 PM AA
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**Please join us for worship
Sundays at 10am w/ fellowship and educational
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Fellowship group is Thursdays at 7pm**

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