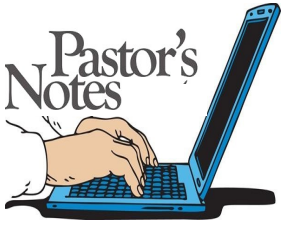


# Grace ABOUNDS January 2020

**A Center of Mission and Ministry - Celebrating and Sharing God's Grace!**



Hi there Grace,

Well, whether you're ready or not, another year is ahead of us. I'm sitting here Monday the 30th of December wondering whether I've got the strength to even begin a newsletter article, let alone enter into an entire new year of life and ministry! I guess the coffee hasn't kicked in yet.

But that's how life and ministry following Jesus is: ready or not, here it comes! We as a congregation will continue to feed the hungry, visit the sick and lonely, tend to the needs of our community, heal the broken, strive for the kingdom, all the while doing our best to make decisions that give glory to God. We have some prayerful time ahead of us to ponder where God is calling us in the concrete terms of our parsonage, but also in the ministries of preschool, youth and children, community service, and Word and Sacrament. Not every decision will be "big" decisions, but every decision is an important step in proclaiming God's kingdom come in Jesus.

And when I stop and consider the kingdom of God, how much different that kingdom is from the ones we establish, I take heart. The kingdom of God is like a banquet, like seeds sown, like a hidden treasure, like a waiting father, like a determined woman, like a loving shepherd, like a table server, like a debt forgiven. That's the kingdom we belong to, and the kingdom we strive to live out. It's the kingdom we proclaim with our Lord that it is coming!

So stepping out into this new year of decisions, ministries, and opportunities, consider how each of these are parables that can proclaim the kingdom. The kingdom of God is like ... a preschool teacher, a food bank organizer, a prayerful congregation, a rainy Sunday morning gathering, a song, a group of four-year-olds, a communion server, a little wisdom, a word of hope.

Peace,

Pastor Michael

## God At Work at Grace



*Grace men fried 18 turkeys for the 2019 Community Thanksgiving meal. About 250 people were fed, including deliveries to shut ins and those without transportation. Food was also sent to the Newberry Hospital ER and the Newberry County Sheriff's Department for those working on the holiday.*



*Advent Fellowship Night was enjoyed by about 26 people. Photo shows creation of Blessing Boxes in front; working a Christmas puzzle at the left; and enjoying good food at the right. More than 2 dozen bags of personal care items were assembled for Manna House to distribute to clients. Thanks to all who shared their Nativity Scenes!*

Contact Pastor Michael by cell phone at 814-321-5927 or by email at [mbprice44@gmail.com](mailto:mbprice44@gmail.com).



## Baptismal Anniversaries

- 1 - Tommy Neel
- 2 - Suzanne Medlock
- 5 - Tim Harmon
- 8 - Jonathan Shealy
- 13 - Riley Eldridge, Anna Kay Singley
- 14 - John Cousins
- 15 - Ronnie Cromer
- 19 - Joshua, Jacob and Charlie Nelson
- 21 - Nick Long
- 28 - Richard Mercer, Parker Metts,  
Elizabeth Warner
- 31 - Mollie Waters

## January Birthdays

- 1 - Thomas Mewbourn  
Marysue Rivers
- 3 - Kristen Sandor
- 7 - Katie Davenport  
Raelynn Wessinger
- 9 - Kris Lindler
- 13 - Brittany Templeton
- 14 - Jessica Culbreth, Donna Hawkins
- 17 - Robert Neel, Lee Wessinger
- 18 - Nikki Dominick, Wayne Mitchell
- 21 - Luke Black, Beverly Hawkins,  
Craig Metz
- 23 - Robert Martin
- 26 - Kay Chandler
- 29 - Rev. Al Potter
- 30 - Vivien Buffinger



## Wedding Anniversaries

- 5 - Dave and Lisa Riley (40th)
- 14 - Walt and Clyna  
Quattlebaum (53rd)
- 29 - Terry and Alice Shaver +



+ Memorial Anniversary

If your special date is missing from our lists in the newsletter, please let the church office know so that we can update our records. Thank you!



## IN THE MAIL . . .



Thank you so much for bringing us the wonderful meal to the ER during Thanksgiving! It was such a surprise and was so much better than what we had planned on eating. The food really was excellent, and we all ate way too much. Please thank the members of your church for thinking about us and sharing. It was truly a wonderful day to be thankful.

*Sincerely, Todd ONeal and the ED Staff*

Dear Grace Family,

Thank you for the lovely birthday cards. We hope to get back to church after first of the year.

*Jean Plociennik*

## Update Your Contact Information Now for the 2020 *People of Grace* Directory

In January, we will be printing a new *People of Grace* directory with contact information for all of our members and friends of the congregation. Please remember to update the church office by Jan. 15 with **address, telephone number, and email** changes for yourself or family members so our directory can be as accurate as possible. If you have not been receiving emails from the church office, please share your email address! If you no longer have a home telephone or would like your cell phone number included, please let the office know. You can put a note in the office box, call the office (364-3331), leave a note in the outside drop box, send an e-mail to [gracelutheran2@att.net](mailto:gracelutheran2@att.net), or write the information on the black pew register pads. Thank you!



Update your  
contact info!

## Grace People in the News

**ZACH FRICK, JOE MURRAY, BEKAH DOMINICK,** and **PARKER PITTS** were named to the Principal's Honor Roll at Mid-Carolina High for the first nine weeks. **PAYTON METTS, DREW DOMINICK,** and **DORI PITTS** were named to the Honor Roll.

**ZACH FRICK** was named to the All Academic Team and **DREW DOMINICK** was named to the All County Team by the Newberry Touchdown Club.

**ZOE FRICK** was chosen as a 2020 Greenville Fashion Week Tween model.

A photo of **MATTHEW SHEALY** and some of his summer 2019 campers was featured on the Lutheridge website in December.

Don't forget to update us with the great things that are happening with our people of Grace! Leave a note in the office box, call the church office at 364-3331 or send the office an e-mail at [gracelutheran2@att.net](mailto:gracelutheran2@att.net).





## Congregation Meeting - Jan. 26

### Congregation Meeting



Congregation Council has called a congregation meeting for Sunday, Jan. 26 at the close of the morning worship service. This meeting is being called to consider our options for the church parsonage. You should receive a letter with more information on this meeting soon.

## 2020 Budget Adopted, Officers Set

### CHURCH LEADERSHIP

### BUDGET



At the annual congregation meeting on Dec. 8, Johnny Merck was elected congregation vice president, and Lynn Wessinger was elected congregation secretary. Both have voice and vote on Council. We give thanks to Everett Crafts for his service as congregation vice president for the past two years.

At the annual meeting, the congregation also adopted a 2020 ministry budget of \$147,152. This reflects various budget adjustments, including a decrease in Mission Support. An additional \$56,638 will be needed to meet our Ministry Center Building Loan payments.

At the Dec. 17 Council meeting, the following were elected as Council officers: Susan Dawkins, chair; Johnny Merck, vice chair; and Deborah Ruff, secretary.

Also, at the Dec. 17 meeting, Council appointed Mike Whitlock to replace Kay Chandler, who resigned from Council effective, Dec. 31, 2019. Mike will fill the remaining two years of Kay's term.

## Thanksgiving Meal Thank You

Thanks to everyone who helped make Grace



Lutheran Church's Community Thanksgiving Meal a success again! We served 18 fried turkeys, 12 hams, 9 pans of dressing, 80 lbs. of beans, 28 pies, 14 sweet po-

tato casseroles, rolls, and cranberry sauce. We had about fifty volunteers from our church and the community. We served about 250 guests, sent food to the Newberry Hospital ER and the Newberry County Sheriff's department! It was a great day to be thankful!

## Annual Reports Needed By Jan. 15

The church office needs Year-End annual Reports from all church groups, teams and treasurers by Jan. 15. **Team chairs are responsible for seeing that their team reports are submitted.**



Reports are published in the annual *Grace Yearbook* and serve as a record of the ministries that go on at Grace during the year. Your help is appreciated (and needed) in compiling this important information. We would like to publish the Yearbook by the end of January, but this depends on receiving annual reports in a timely manner. Thank you!

See the list below for a reminder of those from whom reports are needed:

Congregation Council Chair  
Care and Fellowship Team  
Good News Team  
Community Hope Team  
Lifelong Education Team  
Youth Ministries Team  
Christian Schools Board  
Worship Team  
Facilities Team/Haggai  
Finance Team  
Sunday School  
Vacation Bible School  
Grace Youth  
Summer Camp/Daycamp  
Women's Bible Study  
Leisure Hour  
Lutheran Men  
Financial Secretary

### All treasurers, including:

Current Budget Fund  
Sunday School  
Building Loan Fund  
Maintenance Fund  
Community Service Fund  
Scholarship Fund  
Campership Fund  
Christian Schools  
Schools Renovation Fund  
Family Ministry Fund  
World Series, One Goal  
Youth  
Leisure Hour



## January Manna House Item of the Month

*Canned Tomatoes*

Please place donations in the designated box in the narthex. Thank you for your support!



At left, Grace Youth and children presented their Outdoor Nativity on Sunday, Dec. 8.



At right, Mr. Edd Wicker served as the 2019 Grand Marshal for the Prosperity Christmas Parade, on Sunday, Dec. 8.



Grace youth, children, Preschool students and adult chaperones rode on a Grace float in the annual Prosperity Christmas Parade on Sunday, Dec. 8.



Grace sanctuary was beautiful for Christmas services with the lovely lighted Christmas trees and gorgeous poinsettias. Thank you to all who donated poinsettias and to Emmett Wicker for decorating our trees.

## Congregation Council Minutes ... continued from page 8

Worship Team - Needs to have another hymn-picking. Advent and Christmas services are planned.

Youth Ministry - The Christmas parade float was great and went well as did the youth's live Nativity.

Upcoming Events - Cantata at 10:30 a.m. service on Dec. 22. Christmas Eve services at 4 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. School of Religion is Jan. 14, Jan. 21, and Jan. 28.

### Old Business

Issues and concerns regarding the church parsonage were discussed at length. The parsonage is in need of a new roof if it is to be maintained. Johnny Merck has obtained quotes for the roof. Council decided to call a Congregation Meeting for Jan. 26, 2020. A letter will be sent to the congregation about the meeting at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

Personnel contracts were reviewed and discussed by Council before being unanimously approved.

After shepherding concerns were shared, the meeting was adjourned with prayer by Pastor Michael at 8:55 p.m.



- from minutes submitted by Council Secretary Melodie Waters



## 26th Annual Heartland Conference School of Religion



**January 14, 21, 28**  
**6:30 - 8 p.m.**  
**at Grace**

### **Not So Minor Prophets**

*Led by Rev. Wayne Kannaday,  
professor of religion  
at Newberry College*

### **Justifying Privilege: A Grace-Eyed View of "Us" and "Them"**

*Dr. Krista Hughes,  
Director of the Muller Center  
at Newberry College*

*Register at the door.*

*Registration Fee: \$20      Students - Free!*

*Childcare Provided.*

## **Yard Sale Raises \$520 for Relay**

Relay for Life 2020 is underway at Grace starting with the outstanding Christmas yard sale on Dec. 7. With the help of the donors, shoppers, and workers, \$520 was raised to begin our efforts for the new year. Thank you to everyone who was involved.

We will hold our 2020 team organizational meeting in late January or early February. Please watch for the details in the coming weeks. This will be the 25th Relay for Life event for Newberry County, and we need team members and supporters to make it the best Relay for Life celebration yet. We hope you will join us in 2020.



Mid-Carolina Middle School-time Bible Class begins Jan. 7 and runs through March 20. This non-denominational class for eighth graders teaches basic Bible content and offers opportunity for prayer with faith-life reflection.

## **Come Enjoy Fellowship at Our Collector and Hobby Fair Jan. 19**

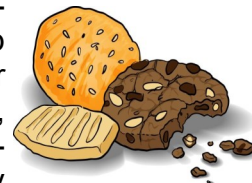
You are invited to our third annual Collector and Hobby Fair fellowship event on Sunday, Jan. 19 from 3-5 p.m. in the Ministry Center. If the weather is bad on Jan. 19, we will reschedule for Jan. 26.



The Care and Fellowship Team is sponsoring this event as a fun time to get to know each other better. If you are not a collector or hobbyist, you are encouraged to come and see what others bring to display and enjoy this time of fellowship. However, if you have more than three of an item, you have a collection to share!

If you would like to share your hobby or collection, please sign up on the narthex board. There will be no sales at this event, just an opportunity to share your interests with your fellow church members. To be sure we have enough tables for everyone who wants to have a display, we need to limit each person signed up to one 6 ft. rectangular table (or round table). See Dale Shealy for more information.

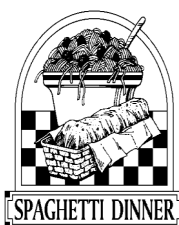
Light refreshments will be provided by the Care and Fellowship Team. However, if baking or cooking is one of your hobbies, you are invited to bring something to share, and we will gladly add your contribution to our refreshments.



## **Confirmation Ministry Resumes Jan. 12**

Confirmation Ministry resumes Sunday, Jan. 12 at 4 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran, Pomaria, after taking a break for the month of December.

Confirmation Ministry will also meet Sunday, Jan. 26 at 4 p.m. at St. Paul's.



## **Grace Preschool Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser**

**Friday, Jan. 31**

See Chop Cooper for more information.



If you are unable to fill your ministry assignment, please find someone to serve for you. If possible, notify the church office so your replacement can be listed in the bulletin. Thank you!



### Assisting Ministers

- 5 Melodie Waters
- 12 Emmett Wicker
- 19 Mike Davenport
- 26 Chop Cooper

### Communion Assistant

Cindy Amick

### Communion Sending

- 5 Judy Bedenbaugh
- Kathy Brown
- Kay Chandler
- Sally Dominick

### Acolytes

Hayden Hall, Allie Waters

### Crucifer

- 5 Hunter Hall

### Torchbearers

- 5 Helena Mewbourn
- Lexi Medlock

### Children's Church

- 5 Sally Dominick
- 12 Angela Mercer
- 19 Puppet Ministry
- 26 Melodie Waters

### Greeters

Robert and Sheila Martin

### Ushers

Nathan Shealy, Jeremy Medlock,  
Deborah Ruff, Phil Ruff,  
Camryn Shealy

### Nursery

- 5 Emmett Wicker, Julie Shealy
- 12 Kelly and Caroline Whitlock
- 19 Suzanne Medlock, Lexi Medlock
- 26 Kathy Brown, Sally Dominick

*Beginning in February, nursery during the 10:30 worship service will be discontinued due to a lack of volunteers.*

### Altar Flowers

- 5 Epiphany Trees
- 12 Epiphany Trees
- 19 Epiphany Trees
- 26 Epiphany Trees

### Offering Tabulators

Deborah Ruff, Phil Ruff,  
Nathan Shealy, Mike Whitlock

### Altar Guild

Walt and Clyna Quattlebaum

### Pew Rack Helpers

Wayne and Sue Mitchell

### Front Sign

Emmett Wicker

### SANCTUARY LAMP SPONSORS



During the month of January, the sanctuary lamp burns to the glory of God and in loving honor of Mollie Rae Waters on her fourth baptismal anniversary (Jan. 31) by Brad and Melodie Waters.

For honorary or memorial information to be included in the newsletter and bulletin, information and \$30 donation should be received by the office by the last Sunday of the month prior to the month you sponsor.

### Sign Up for Altar Flowers

The 2020 Altar Flower and Sanctuary Lamp Chart is posted on the narthex board. All months have been claimed for the Sanctuary Lamp, but there are many Sundays that still need donors for altar flowers. Sign up now for your date to be listed in the Yearbook!



### Children's Church Leaders Needed



Volunteers are need to serve as leaders for Children's Church during the morning worship service. Talk with Melodie Waters or Lora Price to volunteer or for more information.

### December Attendance

Sunday School - 39 ave. Worship - 92 ave.

Dec. 22 - Cantata: 156

Preschool Christmas Program - 411

Christmas Eve: 34 - 4 p.m.; 94 - 10:30 p.m.

Newsletter Deadline: Monday, January 20

Weekly Bulletin Deadline: Thursday - 9 a.m.



## Our Offerings for December

through Sunday, Dec. 29  
(Does not include Dec. EFTs)

<b>MINISTRY BUDGET</b>	Our Monthly Need: \$12,860
Given during month.....	\$38,479.80
Given year-to-date .....	\$154,947.61
Goal to Date .....	\$154,324.00

<b>BUILDING LOAN FUND</b>	Our Monthly Need: \$4,720
Given during month.....	\$6,945.00
Fundraisers year-to-date.....	\$0.00
Given year-to-date (includes fundraisers) ..	\$67,858.00
Required to Date .....	\$63,640.00

<b>MAINTENANCE/UPKEEP FUND</b>	
Given during month .....	\$505.00
Given year-to-date .....	\$3,740.00

<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>	
Given during month .....	\$191.90
Given year-to-date .....	\$2,207.81

<b>SCHOLARSHIP FUND</b>	
Given during month .....	\$100.00
Given year-to-date .....	\$915.00

<b>CAMPERSHIP FUND</b>	
Given during month .....	\$115.00
Given year-to-date .....	\$2,375.00

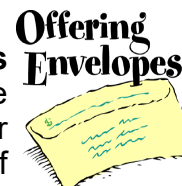
<b>COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND</b>	
Community Assistance .....	\$30.00
Bookbag Food Ministry .....	\$50.00
Thanksgiving Meal .....	\$115.00
Given year-to-date (all funds) .....	\$960.00

<b>SPECIAL 2019 OFFERINGS</b>	
Christian Schools .....	\$13,520.00
Martha Counts Estate .....	\$5,000.00
Relay for Life .....	\$4,192.00
St. Jude (Preschool service project) .....	\$2,050.00
Christian Schools (spaghetti supper) ..	\$1,106.34
Lenten Offering (Love One Another) .....	\$895.00
Facility Use Reimbursements .....	\$715.00
Youth Ministry .....	\$680.00
Advent Offering (Emergency Fund/ICS) ..	\$522.00
Vacation Bible School .....	\$441.00
Manna House (PS Christmas Program) ...	\$440.10
World Series, One Goal .....	\$418.17
PJ Ministry (Preschool Chapel Change) ..	\$350.00
Christmas Poinsettias .....	\$330.00
Easter Lilies .....	\$293.50
Bookbag Ministry (Thrivent Gift Card) ....	\$250.00
Thanksgiving Meal (Thrivent Gift Card) ...	\$250.00
Preschool Scholarship Fund .....	\$222.00

## 2020 Offering Envelopes Available

Offering Envelopes for 2020 are on the table outside the church office window.

**Alternative Designation Forms** are available in the adult envelope boxes and on the envelope table for those who would prefer a portion of their offering not be forwarded to the ELCA. If interested, forms should be completed and returned to the office by Sunday, Jan. 5.



## Advent/Christmas Offering

Thank you to all who gave to our 2019 Advent/Christmas offering for the Emergency Relief Fund of Interfaith Community Services. As of Dec. 29, we have received \$522. May we continue to reach out to share the Good News of Christ with others!



## Electronic Giving Option Available

As you plan your 2020 contributions, please keep in mind that Grace offers electronic giving as a way to make your regular offerings or a one-time gift. It's easy - just visit our website at [www.graceluth.org](http://www.graceluth.org) or scan the QR Code at right with your mobile device.



## Maintenance Fund Running Low

Our Maintenance/Upkeep Fund (also known as the Property Fund) is running low with big bills for repairs to the boiler and the kitchen roof coming up. Please consider using your yellow envelopes to make a gift to help build up this fund for needed maintenance and repairs to our facilities.



## Current Fund Treasurer Needed

If you are interested in this position, please contact Pastor Michael or Susan Dawkins, Council Chair.

<b>2019 Special Offerings</b>	<i>continued from right column</i>
Pentecost Geraniums .....	\$207.00
Youth Ministry (Thrivent) .....	\$211.00
Souper Bowl (Moses House) .....	\$102.57
Recovery Residence .....	\$50.00
Water Mission (VBS Offering) .....	??



Congregation Council met on Tuesday, Dec. 17 at 7 p.m. All members were present except Everett Crafts, Deborah Ruff, Mike Davenport, Mike Shealy, and Bill Fleming, all of whom were excused, Newly-elected Council members, were also present. After the reading of the Mission Statement, devotions were led by Pastor Michael.

## New Business

Council Officers were elected for 2020: Susan Dawkins - Chair; Johnny Merck - Vice Chair; and Deborah Ruff - Secretary.

Council appointed Mike Whitlock to replace Kay Chandler, who resigned from Council effective Dec. 31, 2019, to focus more on other areas of her life at this time. Council agreed that the nominee with the next largest number of votes from last year's ballot (when Kay was elected) should be appointed, which was Mike Whitlock. *(Note: Mike has accepted this appointment.)*

After discussion, annual Council Retreat was scheduled for Saturday, January 11, 2020, from 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Ministry Team assignments were made to ensure that at least one Council member is on each team: Care and Fellowship - Dale Shealy; Good News - Everett Crafts, Mike Shealy; Christian Schools - Susan Dawkins, Chop Cooper; Lifelong Education - Pastor Michael, Cindy Amick; Community Hope - Kathy Brown, Mike Shealy, Wayne Mitchell; Worship - Deborah Ruff; Youth Ministry - Lynn Wessinger; Facilities - Johnny Merck; and Finance - Chad Frick.

Council also reappointed the following for 2020, pending acceptance: Choir Director/Organist - Eddie Rivers; Financial Secretary - Beverly Hawkins; Scholarship Fund Treasurer - Candace Frick; Campership Fund Treasurer - Teresa Cooper; Current Fund Treasurer - Linda Cromer; Maintenance Fund Treasurer - Edwina Wicker; Building Fund Treasurer - Kim Metz; and Community Service Fund Treasurer - Julie Shealy.

Regarding our search for a new Current Fund Treasurer, Steve Stubbs shared that he spoke with the church's insurance company who stated that there are no liability issues with a church member or church staff member serving as Treasurer, but we will be required to have a financial records review every six months to a year. Johnny Merck shared that he called the Synod office and spoke to Rev. Ozzie Herlong who also stated that there is no problem or conflict of interest with a church member/staff member being treasurer, except that person must excuse himself or herself from any vote on his or her salary. The person who had been asked to serve requested more time to consider this. Meanwhile, we will continue to advertise.

Pastor Michael requested that \$14,000 of his salary be designated for housing. Council approved unanimously.

After Pastor Michael and Dale Shealy (husband of the office secretary) were excused, Council discussed giving bonuses to the pastor, the organist/choir director, and secretary and unanimously agreed to give the same amount given last year to each.

## Ministry Team Reports

Care and Fellowship Team - Advent Fellowship Night was a success with 26 in attendance. Collector/Hobby Fair will be Jan. 19.

Christian Schools Team - Over 400 people attended the Preschool Christmas program. A Love offering of \$445 was received for Manna House.

Community Hope Team - Backpack Ministry serves 14 children. Team continues to support Manna House.

Facilities Team - The roof in the men's bathroom in the hallway has been fixed. However, there is a leak in the kitchen ceiling. Chop Cooper spoke with Thad Mayes who is to come assess and repair this. Chop shared that a safety switch has to be put on the boiler, which will cost about \$1,100.

Good News Team - More volunteers have stepped forward to assist with the front sign.

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**Next Council Meeting:**  
Annual Council Retreat  
Saturday, Jan. 11  
10 a.m. - Noon  
Grace Ministry Center



## November Financial Reports



<u>November Finance Reports:</u>	<u>Balance, 11/1</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance, 11/30</u>	<u>Additional Information</u>
Current/Budget Fund	\$34,675.47	\$15,510.24	\$15,080.84	\$35,104.87*	\$10,519.90 CD
Building Fund	\$27,586.07	\$ 7,540.00	\$ 4,719.85	\$30,406.22	(\$363,024 balance owed)
Property/Maintenance Fund	\$ 3,846.82	\$ 315.04	\$ 644.15	\$ 3,517.71	n/a
Sunday School Account	\$ 4,109.25	\$ 258.80	\$ 00.00	\$ 4,368.05	n/a
Christian Schools Account	\$16,763.92	\$ 4,285.27	\$ 6,689.73	\$ 14,359.45	n/a
Schools Education Fund	\$ 5,907.34	\$ 148.00	\$ 339.22	\$ 5,716.12	n/a

\* Balance does not include designated monies for the Counts Estate (\$5,000); Adult Choir Fund (\$0); LED Bulb Fund (\$534.37); or Sound System Fund (\$335.39) contained in the Current Fund Checking Account.





# JANUARY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>5</b> <i>Second Sunday of Christmas</i> Fun and Fellowship - 9 a.m. Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship - 10:30 a.m.	<b>6</b> <i>Epiphany</i> <i>No Preschool</i> 	<b>7</b> <i>Preschool</i> <i>Resumes after break</i>	<b>1</b> New Year's Day <i>Office Closed</i>	<b>2</b> <i>Office Closed</i>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>  Council Retreat 10 a.m. - Noon
<b>12</b> <i>Baptism of Our Lord</i> Fun and Fellowship - 9 a.m. Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship - 10:30 a.m. Confirmation (St. Paul) - 4 p.m.	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>  Heartland Conference School of Religion - 6:30 p.m.	<b>8</b> PS Chapel - 10:55  Adult Choir - 7:30 p.m.	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>  Council Retreat 10 a.m. - Noon
<b>19</b> <i>Second Sunday after Epiphany</i> Fun and Fellowship - 9 a.m. Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship - 10:30 a.m. Hobby / Collector Fair - 3-5 p.m.	<b>20</b> <i>No Preschool</i> <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	<b>21</b>  Heartland Conference School of Religion - 6:30	<b>15</b> PS Chapel - 10:55  <i>All Year End Reports Due</i> Adult Choir - 7:30 p.m.	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>26</b> <i>Third Sunday after Epiphany</i> Fun and Fellowship - 9 a.m. Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship - Congregation Meeting - 10:30 a.m. Confirmation (St. Paul) - 4 p.m. <i>Bad Weather Date for Hobby / Collector Fair - 3-5 p.m.</i>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Newsletter Team - 9 a.m. Heartland Conference School of Religion - 6:30 p.m.	<b>22</b> PS Chapel - 10:55 Adult Choir - 7:30 p.m.	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
			<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>  Preschool Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser 5-7 p.m. Eat in or take out	



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Ministers: The People of Grace

Pastor: The Rev. Michael Price

### Sundays:

Fun and Fellowship 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:30 a.m.

**Grace Preschool:** 8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon  
Monday-Thursday

**Office Secretary:** 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.  
Monday-Thursday

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## January Highlights



**Council Retreat**  
Saturday, Jan. 11  
10 a.m. - Noon

Grace Ministry Center

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**Heartland  
Conference  
School of  
Religion**



Tuesdays, 6:30-8 p.m.  
Jan. 14, 21, 28

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3rd Annual  
Collector  
& Hobby  
Fair

**Collector/Hobby  
Fair  
Fellowship Event**  
Sunday, Jan. 19  
3-5 p.m.

**Congregation Meeting**  
Sunday, Jan. 26  
after worship service

Subject: Parsonage

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**Preschool  
Spaghetti Supper  
Fundraiser**

Friday, Jan. 31



## Mark Your Calendar!

**Souper  
Bowl**  
Sunday  
Feb. 2



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**Shrove Tuesday**  
Feb. 25

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**Ash Wednesday**  
Feb. 26

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**Maundy Thursday**  
April 9

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**Good Friday**  
April 10

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**Easter**  
April 12

