

# GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Protestant church in the worldwide  
Anglican Communion.

## The Second Sunday in Lent

**March 1, 2026 – *LARGE-PRINT EDITION***

*Before the Service — Speak quietly to God*  
*During the Service — Let God speak to you*  
*After the Service — Speak to one another*

### LITURGICAL SEASON EXPLAINED

The word “Lent” conjures up a variety of images and feelings and is often understood as no feasting, no parties, no fun, and a requirement to go to confession, fast on certain days, and give up something for the season. Figuring out what to “give up” is often a challenge and many people get stuck here, but the ultimate purpose of Lent is to strengthen our spiritual lives. During this time, we are asked to quiet down our busy lives and pray more to consider the ways we need to repent, or in other words, to turn around and become closer to God. Taking on a spiritual practice, giving alms, and helping those in need during these forty days are ways that we may prepare ourselves for the resurrection of Jesus at Easter.

The liturgical color is **purple**.

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8:30 AM Service: Meeting ID: 881 8016 9300 Password: 246040

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# OPENING HYMN: We Walk By Faith, And Not By Sight

*Please stand as you are able*



1 We walk by faith, and not by sight; no  
2 We may not touch his hands and side, nor  
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and  
4 that, when our life of faith is done, in

gra - cious words we hear from him who spoke as  
fol - low where he trod; but in his prom - ise  
may our faith a - bound, to call on you when  
realms of clear - er light we may be - hold you

none e'er spoke; but we be - lieve him near.  
we re - jice; and cry, "My Lord and God!"  
you are near, and seek where you are found:  
as you are, with full and end - less sight.

## ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.  
AMEN.**

*Celebrant continues:*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**



## KYRIE

The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff is divided into two parts: 'Cantor:' and 'Assembly:'. The lyrics are 'Lord, have mer - cy.' for both parts. The second staff also has 'Cantor:' and 'Assembly:' parts with the lyrics 'Christ, have mer - cy.'. The third staff has 'Cantor:' and 'Assembly:' parts with the lyrics 'Lord, have mer - cy.'. The notes are simple, using quarter and half notes with slurs to indicate phrasing.

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

*This Week's Readers: **Nora & Dash Heath***  
*Next Week's Readers: **Tom Stotz & Selia Tuten***

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Please be seated*

### FIRST READING Genesis 12:1-4a

*Reader* A reading from the book of Genesis.

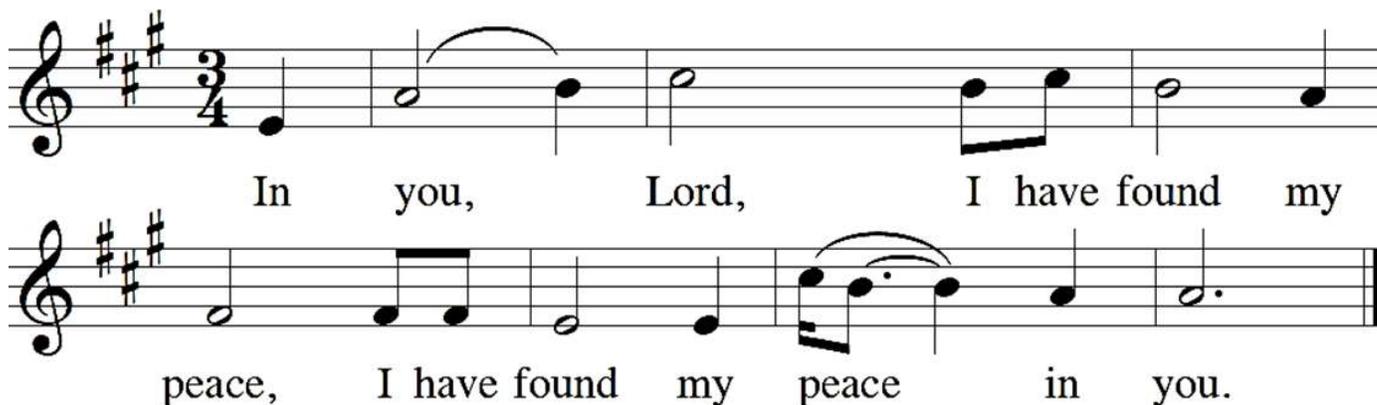
The Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**ANTIPHON** *Sung both before and after the psalm during Lent*



In you, Lord, I have found my  
peace, I have found my peace in you.

**RESPONSE** Psalm 121 – *Levavi oculos*

<sup>1</sup>I lift up my eyes to the hills;\*

**from where is my help to come?**

<sup>2</sup>My help comes from the Lord,\*

**the maker of heaven and earth.**

<sup>3</sup>He will not let your foot be moved\*

**and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.**

<sup>4</sup>Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel\*

**shall neither slumber nor sleep;**

<sup>5</sup>The Lord himself watches over you;\*

**the Lord is your shade at your right hand,**

<sup>6</sup>So that the sun shall not strike you by day,\*  
**nor the moon by night.**

<sup>7</sup>The Lord shall preserve you from all evil;\*  
**it is he who shall keep you safe.**

<sup>8</sup>The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in,\*  
**from this time forth for evermore.**

## **SECOND READING** Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

*Reader* A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

# GOSPEL HYMN: What Wondrous Love Is This?

*Please stand as you are able*



1. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my  
2. What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my  
3. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will  
4. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing

1. soul? What won-drous love is this, O my soul? What  
2. soul? What won-drous love is this, O my soul? What  
3. sing; To God and to the Lamb, I will sing; To  
4. on; And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; And

1. won-drous love is this that caused the Lord of  
2. won-drous love is this that caused the Lord of  
3. God and to the Lamb, who is the great I  
4. when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful

1. bliss To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul, for my  
2. bliss To send this pre-cious peace to my soul, to my  
3. AM, While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing, I will  
4. be, And through e - ter - ni - ty, I'll sing on, I'll sing

1. soul, To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?  
2. soul, To send this pre-cious peace to my soul?  
3. sing; While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing.  
4. on! And through e - ter - ni - ty, I'll sing on.

## GOSPEL John 3:1-17

The Rev. Steven Steinberger-Domienik

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of our Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**HOMILY** The Rev. Steven Steinberger-Domienik

*Please be seated*

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

*Please stand as you are able*

*This is an ancient baptismal creed, but using the words "I give my heart," a truer translation of the Latin word "credo" than "I believe."*

**I give my heart to God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I give my heart to Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried, and descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I give my heart to the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic and apostolic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Leader* During this Lenten season of self-examination, repentance, fasting, prayer, self-denial, and almsgiving, we offer our prayers to God, saying:

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* We pray for the Christian church of God throughout the world, that all its members may turn to the Lord and keep a holy Lent.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* We pray for the people of Iran at this time of fear and uncertainty. Guide those with the power to make decisions, and lead them in the ways of wisdom, compassion, and moderation.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* We pray for our nation in a time of crisis, and continue to keep in our prayers the families of all those slain by ICE. May all who serve in immigration enforcement honor the dignity of every person they encounter.

**People** **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* We pray for the victims of warfare and unrest, especially in Ukraine, the Middle East, Sudan, Haiti, the Congo, and Venezuela, and for refugees around the world, that their mourning may be turned into joy.

**People** **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* We pray for the nations of the world, that those in authority will hear, see, and feel the love of God in their lives; may they work toward peace and reconciliation with all people and countries.

**People** **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* We pray for all who are persecuted, shunned, neglected, or rejected because of racism, fear, or anti-immigrant sentiment, and we pray for an end to this type of violence and behavior.

**People** **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* We pray for all who are in need of a safe place to live, for those who need food on the table, and for those who need protection and companionship.

**People** **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* We pray for all people suffering with physical, emotional, and mental illness, as well as their families and caretakers; we pray too for those who are grieving, and for those who have died.

**People** **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* We pray for the special needs and concerns of our Grace family, and for those on our prayer list. Are there others? Bless, comfort, and protect all those for whom we pray.

**People** **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* We pray for the children in our lives and in our world: Grant us calm strength and patient wisdom that we may teach them to love whatever is just, true, and good.

**People** **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* Grant us for the love of you to make no peace with oppression, to fear no adversity, and to have no tolerance for those who would use their power to abuse or exploit.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader* We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*People* **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **CONCLUDING COLLECT**

God our creator, you are constantly and unconditionally loving us even when we stray from you. Hear our prayers and guide us into the way of your peace. **AMEN.**

## **THE PEACE**

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Please share a sign of peace with one another.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Please be seated*



## OFFERTORY HYMN: Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days



1. Lord, who through-out these for - ty days, For us did fast and
2. As you with Sa - tan did con-tend, And did the vic - t'ry
3. As you did hun - ger bear and thirst, So teach us, gra-cious
4. And through these days of pen - i - tence, And through your Pas-sion-
5. A - bide with us that when this life Of suf - fer - ing is



1. pray, Teach us with you to mourn our sins, And close by you to stay.
2. win, O give us strength in you to fight, In you to con-quer sin.
3. Lord, To die to self, and al - ways live By your most ho - ly word.
4. tide, For - ev - er - more, in life and death, O Lord, with us a - bide.
5. past, An Ea-ster of un - end - ing joy We may at-tain at last!



## DOXOLOGY

*Please stand as you are able*



1. Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise him all



crea - tures here be - low; Praise him a - bove, ye



heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.



## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant* May God be with you.

***People* And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

***People* We lift them up to our God.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to our God.

***People* It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant continues:*

It is truly right to glorify you, God, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and forever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

# SANCTUS



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho-ly Lord God of  
hosts. Heav - en and earth are full, full of your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san -  
na, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless-ed is he who comes, comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san -  
na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Celebrant continues:*

We acclaim you, holy God, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again, you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

For you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. He lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose, he gave himself up to death; and rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

On the night before he died, while he was at supper with his friends, he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

**We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, our God.**

*Celebrant continues:*

We pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

For it is through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, that all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant says:*

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**Our Father in heaven, holy is your Name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. AMEN.**

## FRACTION: Let Us Break Bread Together



Let us break bread to-gether on our knees; Let us break  
bread to-gether on our knees; When I fall on my knees,  
With my face to the ris-ing sun, O Lord, have mer-cy on me.

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God, for all of us, the holy people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died and rose for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving.

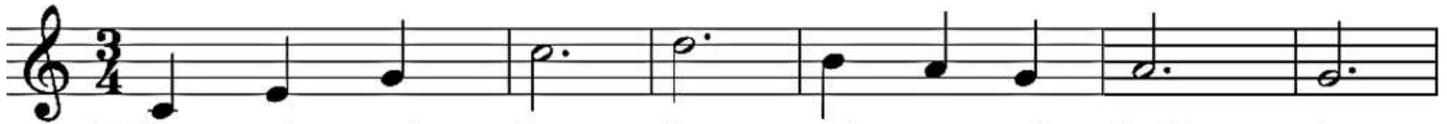
## COMMUNION

*Please be seated*

### Communion at Grace is Open to Everyone

*Whoever you are, wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, there is a place for you at God's table. You may choose to receive bread (gluten free wafers available upon request). You may choose to receive wine in the silver chalice or grape juice in the white and blue chalice. You may drink from either cup or intinct (dip) the bread into the chalice. You may refrain from the bread and chalice and just receive a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest.*

## COMMUNION HYMN: Blessed And Holy



1. Bless - ed and ho - ly, seek - ers of God's reign,  
2. Bless - ed and low - ly, meek - ness is ho - ly.  
3. Those who show mer - cy taste mer - cy's bless - ing;  
4. Bless - ed peace - mak - ers, heal - ing di - vi - sion,  
5. Bless - ed ones, cry out! Do not sur - ren - der!



gra - cious and hum - ble, hon - est and true;  
God makes your weak - ness in - to your pow'r.  
all that you give is giv - en to you;  
liv - ing for God's reign, teach - ing Love's way;  
Christ, ev - er - pres - ent, stands at our side!



bless - ed when griev - ing leads to com - pas - sion,  
Hun - ger and thirst for God's reign of jus - tice,  
bless - ed and ho - ly, all you with pure hearts,  
e - ven in suf - f'ring shar - ing God's vi - sion.  
Through trials and sor - rows, frag - ile to - mor - rows,



oth - ers re - ceiv - ing com - fort through you.  
so Love might burst forth this ver - y hour.  
Christ is your path - way, faith - ful and true.  
See! Past your deep pain God's bless - ed day.  
Christ is com - pan - ion, com - pass and guide.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Please stand as you are able*

*Celebrant* Let us pray together our post-Communion prayer.

*Celebrant and People say together:*

**During Lent we ask you, O God, to renew us. With a gentle breath, blow from our lives the dust of sin, and make us your people again. Lift us from guilt, and shame, and**

regret, to repair all we've broken, and give us the gift of repentance. With the lengthening days, stretch our hearts as well, to be ready at Easter for your risen life in us. Through Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

## BLESSING

Grant, most merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve you with a quiet mind; through Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

## CLOSING HYMN: Guide My Feet

1., 5. Guide my feet while I run this race,  
Guide my feet while I run this race,  
Guide my feet while I run this race, for I  
don't want to run this race in vain!

2. Hold my hand... 3. Stand by me... 4. Give me faith...

## DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Let us go forth renewed for the Lenten journey with our eyes fixed upon Jesus and his walk to Jerusalem, where he will be crucified and raised from the dead!

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## **The Prayers of this Congregation**

Sean Rowe, our Presiding Bishop; our Bishop, Bonnie Anne Perry; Moises Quezada Mota, Bishop of the Diocese of the Dominican Republic; Elizabeth Eaton, ELCA Presiding Bishop; Donald P. Kreiss, ELCA Bishop, SE Michigan Synod; Craig A. Satterlee, ELCA Bishop, NW Lower Michigan Synod. Our retired bishop, Wendell Gibbs; our retired community, spouses, and companions. Our diocesan household: Committees, commissions, ministries, agencies, priests, deacons, lay leaders, volunteers, and staff members; Steven Steinberger-Domienik; Grace Church Mt. Clemens; Bonao, DR Church of the Pentecost.

For Donna Hanes; Jasmine Gardner; Frankie Dion; Elliott Belair; Charlotte Kalligeros; Tom Stotz; Jennifer Holland; Joan Walsh; Elizabeth Gage; Logan & Teresa Davidson; Jeanne Nowak; Donna Powell; Pamela Sherry; Linda Fields; Michael Woodard; Pat Greenwood; Sara Mattocks; Gene Skladnowski; Sherie Borsa; Joan Donald; Rob Haynes; Scott Kadets; Brenda Steinberger-Domienik; Laurisa; Jason Zadorski; Pat Ruditis; Jean & Terry Hitchcock; Laura Mary Lake; Allen Clay; Mary Anne Jackson; Martha Wehba; Holly Quintero; Jody Gorney; Tammy Murphy; Eka & Kiana Basse; Suzanne LaMontagne; Vito Fontana; Christa Carpenter; Nancy & Bob Johnson; Rick Ghersi; Rory Heinz; Carole Schwertman; Tish Germain; Shirley & Nelson Rumpel; Helen Fitzgibbon; Joyce & Roy Schafer; Danielle; Leo Bradley, Jr.; Betty Brogan; Paige Biehl; Ulrike Lamb; Debbie H.; Vickie Rose; Kristi Frangedakis; Beverly Wolff; Ellen Laudicina; Beth Jarvis; Dave Salyer; Al Gazoul; Randy; Bill Atkinson; the family of Tom Krell; Sharon Fedchenko; Joyce Geiger; Tom Burns; Steve Burns; Brenden Murphy and family; the Domienik family; Marilee Racine; Michael Oakley; Betty Moore; Ann Strevel.

***Do you know someone who can use our prayers?***

***Please contact the office to add them to or keep them on the prayer list.***

## The MINISTRIES of GRACE CHURCH

### WORSHIP SERVICES

Sundays, in person & online 8:30 & 10:30 AM. Visit our website for more information.  
Bible Study: Sundays at 9:30 AM in the Guild Room

### OUTREACH MINISTRIES

#### Community Suppers:

**Wednesdays** at 4:00

**Sunday Suppers: Sundays** at 4:00, November-March

#### Food Pantry:

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 10 AM-12 noon, curbside pickup  
*Serving from 250-500 people every month*

#### Fueling Kids' Futures:

Tuesdays at 2:00 PM at Oakley Industries, Inc. Plant 4  
35088 Automation Drive, Clinton Township, MI 48035

**All outreach ministries welcome volunteers,  
financial donations, or food and clothing donations.**

***Call the office to learn about helping or giving:  
586-465-4573***

## CURRENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Please send all bulletin submissions to  
bulletins@gracechurchmtclemens.org***

### ALTAR FLOWERS

Please sign up for altar flowers on the bulletin board in the hallway leading to the sanctuary.

### COFFEE HOUR

Please volunteer to host a coffee hour; the sign-up sheet is in the hallway. The host(s) makes and sets up the coffee and any snacks and then cleans up afterwards. You may also be reimbursed for any money you spend for snacks—just let Marchea (in the office) know! Thank you for sharing in the hospitality ministry of our parish!

### BIBLE STUDY

Please join us on **Sundays** at **9:30 AM** in the Guild Room for our Bible study. No preparation needed; just come and listen and join in the conversation. Each session is self-contained so you do not have to attend each week; come when you can. We learn a great deal about Scripture, our faith, ourselves, and each other! Hope to see you there!

## **CHOIR**

Please join us for choir rehearsal on **Wednesdays** at **6:30 PM** in the sanctuary. No experience required; just bring your spirited heart and a friend! Thank you!

## **LENTEN STUDY SERIES**

The first part of our Lenten Study Series is watching and discussing Season 5 of "The Chosen." We're watching the eight episodes on **Tuesdays** at **6:30 PM** in the Guild Room. This season focuses on the triumphal Palm Sunday entrance into Jerusalem and goes through all of the Holy Week events.

The second component focuses on a discussion of white Christian nationalism which will meet **Sundays** at **noon** through Palm Sunday. We'll watch a video documentary the first week and explore readings from *The Seven Deadly Sins of White Christian Nationalism* by Carter Heyward. Participate in one or both activities for lively discussion as we prepare for Easter.

## **LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS AT AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Meet in ALC's Fellowship Hall at **5:30 PM** on Wednesdays in Lent to share homemade soups, crackers, bread, and cookies, followed by a Lenten service at **6:30 PM**. This year's theme for Lenten services is "Prayer Around the World."

If you'd like to contribute a favorite soup or a batch of cookies, plan on making between 20-25 servings of soup and/or about 2 dozen cookies. Please bring them to ALC by 5 PM that Wednesday. Contact Nancy Boeck at 248-703-0861 or Donna Pretzer at 586-549-2908 with any questions.

## **GIRL SCOUT COOKIES**

A local Girl Scout troop will be selling cookies in the hall on **March 8** between services and after the 10:30 service. They're \$5 a box for the eight regular varieties and \$6 for the gluten-free variety. Cash, credit, or debit card preferred. If you don't want cookies (or have given up sweets for Lent!) but still want to support the troop, you can buy a box for donation to our food pantry. Thank you!

## **BOOK CLUB**

The next book club meeting will be at **6 PM** on **March 12** at Grace Church. The book to be discussed is *The Feather Detective* by Chris Sweeney. We look forward to meeting newcomers as well as regular members for a fun evening. Call Ann Strevel with any questions or concerns.