

Grace Lutheran Church
is a caring community
of disciples, proclaiming
the good news of
Jesus Christ.

Grace Notes

January, 2020

“Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known ...” The Father of Jesus Christ works in the heart of each one of us by the Spirit He poured into us. That is a strange wonder, when you stop and look. How differently we all see the world? How differently we all understand the same Scriptures? Somehow in Jesus we are made one family and each of us is a member of the one body of Christ. The rich variety of gifts we have and our diversity of views are a sign of the incomprehensible wisdom and love of our God.

Evening prayer and Bible study will resume on Wednesday, January 22nd at 5:30pm. Our first reading will be 1 Corinthians 1:10-18. Join us and we will deepen our faith together.

January is the beginning of the Year of the Gospel of Matthew in our lectionary. Open up your Bibles and read Matthew this year, slowly and prayerfully. Find a commentary or come talk to me and I will recommend reading. Dig into your faith and the holy word. Your heart will be full.

Our Annual Meeting is coming up, the 3rd Sunday in January. Your voice matters. Please attend so that we can hear what you have to say about the life of your church.

I will be gone to St Paul, MN, for some intensive classes, January 5th to January 18th. Pastor Sarah Semmler Smith will preach on Sunday, January 12th. Give her a warm welcome.

My sermons are all posted online at www.gracesoutrange.com/sermons/ and on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/user/cavalerima>. If you miss us on Sunday, you can still read or listen to the preaching of the Word.

There is a bin for comments on my sermons in the narthex and comment forms in the bulletins. All of your insights are appreciated. Thanks to everyone who has contributed. Your reflections are a great help to me.

Do you have dreams for our church? Have you had an idea you wish you could try out on our congregation? Talk to me. Grace is your church. Let's make it what you need it to be.

As always, I am here for you and want to hear from you. Drop by my office, grab me after church or stop me at Walmart... I look forward to talking with you.

With faith and hope and love,

Micah

Vicar Micah Cavaleri

Office Hours

Tuesday from 1:00pm to 3:00pm
Wednesday from 9:00am to 3:00pm
Thursday from 1:00pm to 3:00pm

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Sermons Available Online

www.gracesoutherange.com
www.youtube.com/user/cavalerima

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Thank you to Chris Davis for faithfully adding up all Econo receipts throughout the year. A reminder to please keep bringing in Econo receipts. As Grace gets 1% of the grand total at the end of the year.

Notes from the office

Would you like to start receiving a weekly devotion from the church office on Mondays? Please send Katie your name and email address.

Newsletter items are due in the office the last week of the month.

Please save your Econo receipts and return them to a box in the library. Grace receives 1% of the total receipts.

If we do not have your birthday or anniversary, please let us know.

Birthdays

Jarod Butkovich 3
Sarah Hanner 6
Steven Dorsey 10
Brooke Tormala 22
Jacob Keranen 25

Cameron Raffaelli 3
Lauri Kneebone 7
Marianne Bohjanen 12
Tina Puska 25
Rosanne Poisson 26

Anniversaries

Gary and Emily Raffaelli
January 1st

Come let us

Adore

Him



Quilters

Wednesday,
January 15th

Did You Miss A Sermon?

Vicar Micah's sermons are now on YouTube.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/cavalerima>

You may also find past and current sermons on our web page.

<http://www.gracesoutrange.com/>

Knit, Pray, Crochet

Every Tuesday,
1:00pm
All are welcome.

**Thank you to those who
supplied a poinsettia**

Karl and Carolyn Rundman
in memory of their parents.

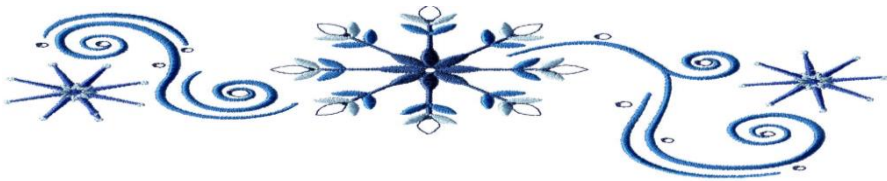
Don and Sally Rule with Keith and Darlene Raffaelli
in memory of Roxanne, MaryAnn and Robert Raffaelli.

Joe and Chris DeForge
in memory of Roy and Lila Lystila and
Joseph and Theresa DeForge.

Janet Kokko
in memory of Jacob and Irene Kokko.

Sharon Maki
in memory of Sonny Maki
and loved ones.

Bridgers family
in memory of loves ones.



**Thank you to those who shared a
Christmas greeting**

Cavaleri family
Chris Davis
Tom and Cheryl Stimac
Alice Kolehmainen
Bridgers family
Chris and Marianne Bohjanen
Joe and Chris DeForge
Rosanne Poisson
Janet Kokko
Karl and Carolyn Rundman
Sharon Maki

**January
Worship Text**

Sunday, Jan. 5

John 1: 1-18
God with us.

Sunday, Jan. 12

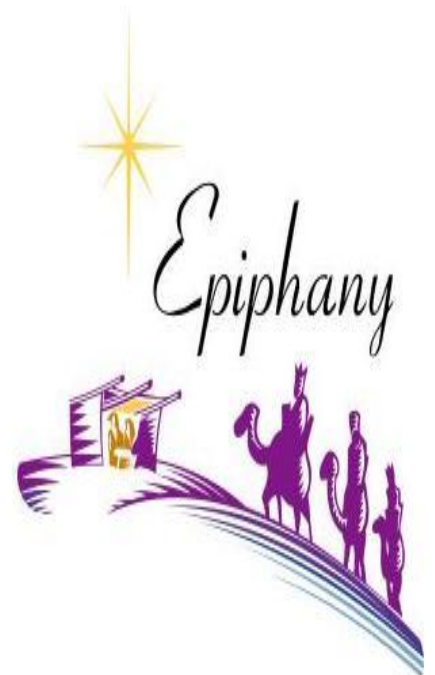
Matthew 3:13-17
Christ revealed as
God's servant

Sunday, Jan. 19

John 1:29-42
Christ revealed to the
church at Corinth

Sunday, Jan. 26

Matthew 4:12-23
Christ revealed
as a prophet



Lutheran Dictionary

by: Walter Lieder
Concordia Publishing House
Saint Louis, Missouri

Eucharist: From Greek, “giving of thanks,” Luke 22:19. The Lord’s Supper.

Litany: From Greek, “supplication.” A solemn responsive form of liturgical prayer.

Numbers: The fourth book of Moses, so called because it relates the numbering of the people of Israel (chapters 1 and 26).

Sanctify: 1. To make holy (1. Thes. 5:23) 2. To keep holy; “The God of peace sanctify you” (1 Thes. 5:23).

ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, January 19th

In case of inclement weather,
the meeting will be January 26th.

Potluck to follow the meeting,
so please bring a dish to pass.

“Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.”

Matthew 2:2

Attention Ushers!!!

A friendly reminder to count all those in attendance and record the number on the calendar in the library.

This number is very important to our annual report for the Synod.



Grace Lutheran is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Thank you to all who gave to the Christmas Greeting and Christmas Offering that went to the Bonini family.

*Feeling down?
Just look up!*



Would you like to receive any of the following by email? If so, please let Katie know.

- Weekly Devotion (Mondays)
- Tuesday's Grace Note
- Monthly Newsletter

If you do not have a computer, and would like the newsletter mailed to you, please let Katie know.

Our Hearts to Their Homes

Jean Simila at HCMC
Susan Koskela at home
Delores Paavola at home
Eleanor Maki at the HCMC
Jan Mikkola at the Bluffs
Amanda Mountjoy at home
Bill & Sandra Mannisto at the Bluffs

Service Workers for January

	Jan. 5	Jan. 12	Jan. 19	Jan. 26
Counters	Cheryl Stimac Sue Slinde	Pam Long Heather Aro	Katie Bridgers Marianne Bohjanen	Karen Johnson Jeanine Bailod
Reader	Sue Slinde			
Ushers	Paul and Sue Slinde	Heather Aro Dave Aro	Bridgers family	
Acolyte & Bell Ringer	Youth	Youth	Youth	Youth
Communion Assistant				
Greeter				
Fellowship	Birthday and Anniversary Fellowship	Open	Potluck	Open
Sunday School Teacher	Janet and Katie	Janet and Katie	Janet and Katie	Chris and Katie



Stewardship

"God can do it: we can help!"

Thanks, Stewardship Committee

Grace Lutheran Congregational Contact Information

Volunteer Coordinators

Acolytes/Bell Ringers	Katie Bridgers	482-2011
Altar Duty	Chris Davis	482-5567
Communion	Chris DeForge	482-8068
Counters	Marianne Bohjanen	482-8459
Funeral Servers	Chris Davis	482-5567
Readers	Cheryl Stimac	281-7909
Fellowship	Carolyn Rundman	482-6344
Ushers	Pam Long	482-4065
Greeters	Chris Davis	482-5567
Ride Coordinator	Katie Bridgers	482-2011
Office Volunteers	Katie Bridgers	482-2011
Gardening	Janet Kokko	482-2368

Building & Grounds Maintenance

Tom Stimac 281-7910 Joe DeForge 482-8068
Tom Savola 281-5494 Katie Bridgers 482-2011

Grace Lutheran Council

Micah Cavaleri 281-9558
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Joe DeForge 482-8068
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Laurie Aho 482-0817
Treasurer
Jean Baillod 482-3240
Janet Kokko 482-2368
Heather Aro 482-0341
Cheryl Stimac 281-7909
Chris Bohjanen 482-8459

Grace is Always Looking For Help with the Following:

Taking home, the kitchen dish rags and towels to wash.

Kitchen donations such as: coffee (reg & decaf) dish soap, creamer, and dish rags.

Help with Sunday School; see Katie for more information.

Help with the nursery; see Vicar Micah or Katie for more information.

Additional choir members; see Emily for more information.

*Let MY unfailing LOVE fill you with exuberant JOY
as you walk along the path of LIFE with ME.*

~ Love, Jesus

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
			1 Happy New Year Office Closed 	2	3 8:00 AA	4
5 9:15 Choir 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 12:00 Birthday Anniversary Fellowship	6	7 11:30 Knit, Pray, Crochet Lunch at Joeys Seafood 1:00 Knit, Pray, Crochet	8 10:00 Cup of Grace 11:00 Bible Study	9 12:30 Games at Grace	10 8:00 AA	11
12 9:15 Choir 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship with Pastor Sarah Semmler-Smith Finlandia's Campus Pastor	13 12:30 LCW Lunch 1:00 LCW	14 1:00 Knit, Pray, Crochet	15 10:00 Cup of Grace 11:00 Bible Study 1:00 Quilting	16 12:30 Games at Grace	17 8:00 AA	18
19 9:45 Choir 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 12:00 Annual Meeting Potluck to follow	20	21 1:00 Knit, Pray, Crochet 6:30 Council	22 9:45 Prayer Service 10:00 Cup of Grace 11:00 Bible Study 5:30 Prayer Service and Bible Study	23 12:30 Games at Grace	24 8:00 AA	25
26 9:45 Choir 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship	27	28 1:00 Knit, Pray, Crochet	29 9:45 Prayer Service 10:00 Cup of Grace 11:00 Bible Study 5:30 Prayer Service and Bible Study	30 12:30 Games at Grace	31 8:00 AA	

