

The Parish Visitor

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To the holy ones of God, Saints and Sinners that you are:

I really like the season of Lent, Holy Week, and Easter. It is my favorite season of the church year. Here is why . . .

Lent is the 40 days before Easter. It is a time of prayer and repentance . . . turning our lives back to God from where they have belonged from the very beginning. The word Lent is from the Anglo-Saxon word meaning “**Springtime**,” and therefore is to be understood as the holy springtime of our soul, a time of preparation, planting, and growth. Long ago in the church converts seeking to become Christian, who at that time were mostly adults, spent several years in study and preparation. Under the threat of Roman persecution, becoming a Christian was serious business, so their process of preparation was intensive! Then they went through a final period of “purification and enlightenment” for the 40 days before their baptism on the Easter Vigil . . . the oldest worship service of the church. The rest of the Church began to observe the season of Lent in solidarity with these newest Christians. It became an opportunity for all Christians to recall and renew the commitment of their baptism.

Many times, people give up things during Lent: chocolate, eating snacks, soda pop,

watching TV, smoking, or some other thing in their life that they crave, and that is not good for them. It is really a form of fasting to give up something, and can have deep spiritual significance for someone. The intension is to become a part of the Lenten season as Christ did in his passion on the cross . . . to feel the pain that Christ felt . . . his sacrifice. But often all of that is forgotten. People just work really hard at not doing something that they really would rather be doing, and suffering with Christ is never even a thought.

So, I have been doing Lent a little differently instead of giving up something . . . I challenge myself to do something more, rather than give something up. Sometimes I pray, other times I read the bible, or work on a project and think of being in the presence of God while I am doing it. As I have added things into my life for the season of Lent . . . I have found it much more “faith” growing and spiritual than giving things up.

Whatever your practice is, adding or subtracting, I encourage you to try something different during Lent that grows you in faith and life. Blessings on your journey, may it be filled with surprises and life-giving opportunities.

Pastor Tim Ehling
*Mission Developer for the
Ministry Cooperative*



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Announcements

East Central Schools Project



The current project for East Central Schools is underway. Items requested are:

- Big bottles of shampoo & conditioner
- Dental floss
- Deodorant
- Hairbrushes
- Toothpaste

The school will make the hygiene kits for the students. The Parish doesn't need to purchase feminine hygiene products as the school has a resource for them. *Bethlehem and Grace* is currently collecting items and will complete the project on March 10, 2024. For questions, please contact Becky Gaede and/or Nancy Werner-Azarski—coordinators of the effort. Thrivent funds will be used for this project.

Emmanuel is collecting the following items for Hinckley-Finlayson School District:

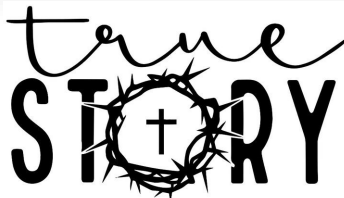
- Chapstick
- Shampoo & Conditioner
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste

Also needed are sizes 6-14 youth bikini cut or boy cut underwear—no brief styles; any size black leggings for high school girls.

Contact Laura McCaughan if you have any questions.

Thank you for your continued support for our community!

March is “Food Share Month.” Grace’s Noisy Offering for March will go to our local Family Pathways Food Shelf. They will also be collecting items at church throughout the month. Most needed are: Ramen noodles, personal care items, household cleaning items, and pasta items.



Thank You

From Family Pathways to Grace: Many thanks for your generous donation of \$200 received in January in support of Family Pathways.

From Grace's Own: Amelia Drilling, age 9

I love church
it is the best

From Grace's Own: Cassidee Thorvig

Dear Members of Grace Lutheran Church,

THANK YOU!

The Valentine's Day Box was so thoughtful and put a smile on my face. From the meals, school supplies, and of course - Chocolate; thank you all of it will be eaten + put to good use. My roommates + friends would also like to say thank you because I will be sharing it with them too.

You all are amazing and I look forward to seeing you when I journey back home. 😊
- Cassidee Thorvig ♡



What's Been Happening

College Care Packages were packed and mailed on Monday, February 12, 2024, at Grace. Six boxes were sent to our college students from both congregations. There were enough snacks and school supplies to fill the boxes to top. The congregations were gifted enough supplies to also send snacks to the Back Pack program at East Central and *A Place for You* in Pine City. Thank you to Grace and Emmanuel congregations for your generous giving to this project and to those that came to sort and pack the boxes. Thrivent Action Project Money was used to help pay for the postage. The students receiving the boxes were Emma Priske, Cassidee Thorvig, Tyler Thorvig, Lori Grundmeier, Nic DePaulis, and Grace Balut.



(L-R) Diane Seymour, Nancy Werner-Azarski, Jane Grundmeier, Jan Seymour, and Cheryl Grundmeier

Grace Annual Meeting

Minutes

February 4, 2024

submitted by Deb Hultman

Opening litany read by council Vice President Todd Sandell.

Meeting called to order by Vice President Todd Sandell at 10:47 a.m. A quorum was declared.

M/S/C Motion by Jane Grundmeier/Jan Oak to accept congregational meeting minutes from February 2023.

Nominating committee of Diane Seymour, Nancy Werner-Azarski and Dick Noyes received three volunteers to replace outgoing council members.

Grace Annual Meeting Minutes, cont'd . . .

They are Steph Drilling, Alyssa Dykstra, and Kristy Barsness.

M/S/C Motion by Irene Sandell/Nancy Werner-Azarski to approve candidates for council. Next year's nominating committee will be Pat Prestegord, Donna Orstad and Deb Hultman.

Two delegates for the Synod Assembly (a zoom event) Assembly to be held April 27, 2024 and Conference-Synod in February were requested. Dorothy Dybvig volunteered as one delegate. An additional delegate will be needed. Congregation approved.

Proposed budget for 2024: As part of the budget, the Joint Council approved a raise of \$7.50/hr for the church secretary. The secretary will be in office Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The secretary's salary will be shared as a 50/50 expenses with Emmanuel.

Dorothy Dybvig, Paula Stadin, and Chuck Drilling reviewed and revised the proposed budget. Changes made, reviewed, and approved by council.

M/S/C Motion by Donna Larsen/Kristy Barsness to approve the proposed budget for 2024. Annual Reports.

M/S/C Motion by Cindy Gray/Dorothy Dybvig to add a parochial report to the annual reports. Todd S. and Dorothy D. will work to gather this information and add it to the reports.

M/S/C Motion by Diane Seymour/Donna Larson to accept annual reports as written with a thank you to all who have served on these committees.

OLD BUSINESS

Todd Sandell reviewed the work he and Chuck Drilling have completed on the church building/property and the parsonage this past year. (See property report for details) Planned work in the coming year includes repair of the roof, replacing the church sign, improving the hand rail at the main entrance and replacing the TV with a larger one and obtaining equipment for live streaming services. Dorothy Dybvig offered special thanks to Todd and Chuck for all their work on church properties; much of it unseen by the congregation!!!

NEW BUSINESS

Vacant lot: During the past year the council has discussed options for the vacant lot and are recommending it be placed for sale.

M/S/C Motion by Dave Barsness/Joe Jarvis to sell the lot and money be used for building/property improvements.

Youth Director: The Joint council discussed the possibility of creating a Youth Director position. No monies were included in the proposed budget for this position. M/S/C Motion by Donna Larson/Frank Grundmeier for the Joint council to present a specific proposal to the congregations. Discussion by the congregation was to not set any dollar amounts until we had more details about the positions duties and possible hours.

Thanksgiving Resolutions were presented: Pastor Jacob Burkman, Pastor Tim Ehling, Pulpit Supply Pastors, members of nominating committee, outgoing council members Pat Prestegord, Donna Orstad, and Deb Hultman; Paula Stadin-Bookkeeper, Pam Rodacker-Waye-Parish Secretary, Musicians: Nathan Frazer, Jane Grundmeier, and Steve and Laura McCaughan; WELCA, Sunday School teachers, Church Council members, committee members and our many volunteers. Also include Steve Orstad for volunteering snow plowing services.

M/S/C Motion by Donna Larson/Dave Barsness to accept the resolutions.

Frank Grundmeier offered special thanks to the entire council for all their work in planning for calling a pastor and then working toward the new Co-op plan.

Closing prayer by Vice President Todd Sandell.

M/S/C Motion by Dave Barsness/Joe Jarvis to adjourn the meeting at 11:21 a.m.



Grace Council

Minutes**February 21, 2024*****submitted by Alyssa Dykstra***

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by President Bill Gaede. Present: Bill Gaede, Chuck Drilling, Todd

Grace Council Meeting Minutes, cont'd . . .

Sandell, Kristy Barsness, Dorothy Dybvig, Steffany Drilling, Alyssa Dykstra. Absent: None

M/S/C Motion by Bill/Dorothy to approve the agenda with the addition of agenda item Church Properties.

Bill opened with a prayer.

New council positions were nominated and approved: Bill Gaede, President; Todd Sandell, Vice-President; Dorothy Dybvig, Treasurer; Alyssa Dykstra, Secretary.

Secretary's report was submitted. M/S/C Motion by Bill/Dorothy to approve the minutes from January 15, 2024. M/S/C Motion by Bill/Dorothy to approve the minutes from the annual meeting February 4, 2024

Treasurer's report was submitted and approved.

No Pastor's report.

Kristy, Co-op Advocate, reported on a February 15 meeting. She will follow-up with the synod bishop to schedule a visit soon. During this time members to can have questions answered. Three dates have changed in the church calendar:

Maundy Thursday – Thursday, March 28 – Grace at 5:30 pm

Good Friday – Friday, March 29 – Shared Worship at Emmanuel at 7:30 pm

Easter - Sunday, March 31 – Shared Worship at Emmanuel at 10:30 am

Old Business

-Live streaming is being discussed. Amy and Nathan are working with Cybert PC.

-A new system for PHASE cleaning was discussed. The checklist will be in the cleaning closet, to be completed by PHASE at time of service and turned in to Pam.

-Chuck reports the church insurance update is in progress.

New Business

-The vacant lot is listed for sale through United Realty.

-Recent changes to the Church Secretary include a 50/50 shared responsibility with Emmanuel for the 2024 year. Dorothy will email this update to Paula.

-A job description of Youth Director is being worked on by Amy.

-Council Committee assignments are as follows:

Property: Chuck Drilling, Todd Sandell

Finance: Dorothy Dybvig, Paula Stadin, Jane Grundmeier, Deb Hultman

At Large: Kristy Barsness

Evangelism: All council members

Youth: Sarah Klocke, Any Frazer, Steffany Drilling, Alyssa Dykstra

-Items will be collected for the March food drive for Family Pathways. Lee Dybvig will deliver items.

-The member directory is being updated. Pam may be inquiring about family birth dates and baptism/transfer dates.

-Sunday, April 14 at 12:00 pm - joint Council meeting at Emmanuel after service

-Facebook outreach was discussed. Steffany will follow-up with Amy about posting dates for Easter and Holy Week, as well as posts about the dates Grace holds Sunday School.

-Property updates include a new TV installed in the Sanctuary. The old TV is now installed in the basement. A refrigerator was replaced in the parsonage, as well as the kitchen drain. A 14 cu. fridge was requested for the upstairs kitchen. A bid is out with Klocke Construction on roof work. A mason will be repairing the sign this spring. Drainage was discussed. Adding a lift in the coat area was also discussed.

The next council meeting will be Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 9 a.m. M/S/C Meeting was adjourned at 10:11 am.

Emmanuel Council

Emmanuel Council Meeting Minutes

January 21, 2024

submitted by Rachael Kordiak

Present-Laura McCaughan, Chris Rostberg, Rachael Kordiak (by phone). Also present-John Rostberg, Marady Koland, and Irene Andersen

Meeting opened with prayer. Previous minutes approved with no changes.

Pastors report reviewed and approved.

Treasurers Report-Irene Andersen offered detailed and balanced reports. December Income: \$3,802.04. December Expenses: \$3,576.39.

Emmanuel Council Mtg Minutes, cont'd . . .

Chris Rostberg moved to accept the treasurer's report. Laura McCaughan seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion passed.

The draft budget for 2024 was reviewed, discussed, and adjusted. Audit of accounts will occur on February 11, 2024 at 10 a.m.

Rachael Kordiak moved to approve the proposed budget. Laura McCaughan seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion passed.

Discussion as to the youth outreach position and budgeting and description for this position. A donation of \$1,500.00 was designated for this. Discuss further at the next joint council meeting.

Marady Koland provided an update as an advocate for the co-op.

Rachael Kordiak moved to accept the resignation of Kevin Kroschel from the council as of December 31, 2023. Chris Rostberg seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion passed.

Financial Audit: February 11, 2024, 10 a.m.
Next meeting: February 18, 2024, following service.
Annual Meeting: February 11, 2024

Worship/Music Committee

Joint Minutes February 7, 2024 *submitted by Jane Grundmeier*

Present: Dorothy Dybvig, Nancy Pugh, Kristy Barsness, Nathan Frazer, Laura McCaughan, Donna Larsen and Jane Grundmeier.

Dorothy Dybvig opened our meeting at 5:03 p.m. with a devotion from Daily Grace, "We Become What We Sing."

Minutes from January 10 were filed following email discussion.

Contemporary worship service at Grace – Donna talked with Amanda Roubinek following our meeting. Amanda would prefer doing the contemporary service at Grace the same day as at Emmanuel. She also said having a computer just for church would be great so then the music purchased

is on a device owned by the church.

Choir practice – scheduled practices will continue Wednesdays at 6 pm before Lenten services through March 20.

Bold Women's Sunday – Jane updated planning information. Pr. Brenda Wicklund will be pulpit supply pastor that Sunday.

Holy Week and Easter Sunday – We will receive an update from Kristy following her next Cooperative Advocate meeting.

Communion Bread – Thank you to Cheri Drilling and Laura McCaughan for offering to bake bread for our communion services. We discussed options for a gluten free option.

Liturgy – We will be changing to Setting 4 (no alleluia responses) beginning February 18.

Hymn of the Month for March – ACS 922 "When We Are Tested."

Next meeting will be Wednesday, March 13, 5:00 pm at Emmanuel with Donna Larsen as meeting leader.

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm.



Women of the ELCA

Grace Meeting Minutes February 5, 2024 *submitted by Nancy Werner-Azarski*

Seven women met for a business meeting.

Dorothy Dybvig reviewed the Financial report.

We discussed Bold Woman Sunday, the Liturgy and volunteer roles needed. Pastor Brenda Wicklund will preside.

Kitchen renovations discussed. Downstairs kitchen cupboards are currently being refinished. Preparation for modification in upstairs kitchen were discussed and cost/funds reviewed.

Remind everyone to sign up for soup supper sheet for Wednesday Lenten services. Note time changes for supper.

Grace WELCA Meeting Minutes, cont'd . . .

College boxes to be packed on Monday, February 12, 2024.

Discussed further outreach to our community: inviting folks to our service and gatherings.

Upcoming spring gathering for Kettle River: reviewed options for our donation for fundraising and decided on the basket to use.

Meeting adjourned and we went out to Emmanuel for our Gather Bible Study which was led by Laura McCaughan. Next meeting will be March 4, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at Grace. Jane will bring treats and Nancy will lead the Bible study. All women are welcome to attend.

Coming up in April for WELCA

Women of the ELCA Kettle River Conference Spring Gathering 2024 will be held at Emmanuel Dell Grove on Saturday April 13, 2024, beginning at 8:30 a.m. One activity that morning will be assembling Health Care Kits. In-kind gifts for the kits will be accepted: Lightweight bath towels, Full size bars of soap, adult toothbrushes in original packaging, sturdy combs, metal nail clippers.

Ministry Cooperative

Highlights from the Cooperative Advocate Team meeting:

Each church has an advocate that meets with me monthly. They are advocates for their congregation and for me. I am grateful for their wisdom, discernment and time they take out of their busy schedules to meet on your behalf. I hope you are proud of them. Each month I will be sharing with you some of the topics focused on by the cooperative advocates. The purpose is to better communicate what we have been tasked with as the cooperative grows. As a part of receiving a grant from the ELCA for the cooperative we are tasked with a 90 plan of action or focus. Every 90 days the focus deepens and builds on the last 90 days. Here are some highlights from our meeting:

~Two Meetings the Month of February~

First meeting:

main focus was to hear of the congregation’s holy week/easter “regular” schedules, discussed their

flexibility index, and made plans for working out a holy week/easter worship and faith formation schedule that works in the best possible ways for all churches in the circuit.

Talked about upcoming events and things to look forward to:

New member welcome Sunday underway

Mid-week Lenten worship.... underway

Second meeting:

Will be shaping our new 90-day plan

Unpacked the spiritual gift inventory for each congregation

Reported on wisdom from Bishop Amy, our synod contact person, for mission development steps we need to walk through in the next 90 days

Please keep our team of advocates in your prayers as we meet monthly to stay focused on proclaiming the name of Jesus in and through the ministry cooperative.

Pastor Tim Ehling

Mission Developer for the ministry cooperative

Stewardship

**From ELCA World Hunger,
“HUNGERRUMBLINGS”
Submitted by Jane Grundmeier**

During the month of March, Food Share Month, we can journey together, exploring the many ways we encounter God as we respond to hunger, poverty and need today. The following is a story about enslaved Africans in Brazil and how we are involved through ELCA World Hunger.

Jerri Eliano de Quevedo and his wife, Sirlei Eloí, live in the Kilombo Monjolo, a community in the municipality of São Lourenço do Sul in Brazil. Like many *kilombola* — descendants of the 4.5 million enslaved Africans brought to Brazil between 1570 and 1857 — they support themselves and their children principally through farming a plot of land in the kilombo.

For Jerri, finding a way to stay on the land while feeding his family is not just a matter of finances but also of kilombola cultural identity. “The kilombolas always had to grow their food in small spaces, all together, because they didn’t have much land,” he

Stewardship, cont'd . . .

explains. “This, for us, is cultural, and working in another way is out of our custom.”

From Africa the kilombola brought seeds and extensive knowledge of crops, which helped some of them to develop sophisticated agroforestry and farming systems. Yet access to sufficient land has always been a challenge for kilombolas, whose communities sprang from their resistance to slavery. Wherever there was slavery, there was also resistance — which assumed many forms. One such form of resistance was the formation of communities by [people who had escaped enslavement], known in Brazil as *mocambos* and *kilombolas*. Kilombolas in Brazil are similar to maroon communities in the United States, where self-liberated enslaved people formed isolated or hidden settlements. Brazil, in 1888, became the first country to constitutionally guarantee the collective land rights of the descendants of enslaved people. Though there is work to be done to fully guarantee kilombola rights, kilombolas across Brazil have joined together to grow local economies and defend their constitutional right to land. The oppression of kilombolas testifies to the need for full reconciliation, to bring full opportunity for dignity and life to a people the world actively marginalizes.

The Evangélica de Confissão Luterana no Brasil (IECLB) has journeyed with Jerri, Sirlei and the Kilombo Monjolo in this work, in partnership with the Center for Support and Promotion of Agroecology (CAPA). This work is supported in part by ELCA World Hunger. Through the project, kilombola farmers joined together in cooperatives to gain access to seeds, training and new opportunities. “The community started to change,” Jerri says. Over time, other entities, including universities, began working with the community. “We began to have support, and life got better.”

“The work of CAPA within the community is about accompaniment, partnership and joint construction, and with open dialogue, creating the farming projects and other activities,” Jerri says. In addition to the farming projects, the partnership has helped as the kilombola market handicrafts, share technical advice, and acquire legal documentation, housing and access to spaces for public policy advocacy. Jerri and Sirlei’s story shows how historic and ongoing injustices leave families vulnerable to hunger.

Hunger is not incidental or accidental. It is the direct result of slavery, racism, discrimination, inequity, violence. Yet their story also reveals their witness of

courage, strength and resilience as we work together toward a just world where all are fed.

Holy Week and Easter Worship and Faith Formation Schedule**Palm Sunday, Sunday, March 24**

Trinity—8:00 a.m.	Bethlehem: 8:00 a.m.
Grace—9:30 a.m.	Bethany: 9:30 a.m.
Emmanuel—11:00 a.m.	Oak Lake: 11:15 a.m.

Wednesday, March 27

Showing the Movie *The Passion of Christ* at Bethany, Cromwell, 6:00 p.m. (*adults only*)

Thursday, March 28**Maundy Thursday Worship:**

Bethany/Bethlehem: 3:00 p.m.
(*at Bethlehem*)

Grace/Emmanuel: 5:30 p.m.
(*at Grace*)

Oak Lake/Trinity: 7:30 p.m.
(*at Oak Lake*)

Friday, March 29**Good Friday Worship:**

Trinity/Oak Lake: 5:30 p.m.
(*at Trinity*)

Grace/Emmanuel: 7:30 p.m.
(*at Emmanuel*)

(*No Worship at Bethany/Bethlehem this year*)

Saturday, March 30**Easter Vigil**

(*No Easter Vigil Worship this year*)

Sunday, March 31**Easter Resurrection Worship**

Bethany/Bethlehem: 8:00 a.m.
(*at Bethany*)

Grace/Emmanuel: 10:30 a.m.
(*at Emmanuel*)

Trinity: 7:00 a.m.
Oak Lake: 9:30 a.m.

2024 GRACE SPECIAL EASTER GIFTS

Lily donations must be received by **Sunday, March 24.**
Ministry Fund donations must be received **Sunday, March 24.**
Place your donation into the offering plate or mail to the church office.
Please mark it "Easter Gift" with a designation.

Given by _____

GIFT (ANY AMOUNT) TO A MINISTRY FUND:

- _____ General Fund _____ Lutheran Social Service
- _____ Building Fund _____ Vacation Bible School
- _____ Kitchen Fund _____ ELCA World Hunger
- _____ A Place for You _____ Backpack Program
- _____ Everyone's Table _____ Parsonage Fund
- _____ Sandstone Food Shelf _____ Youth Fund
- _____ Ingrian Lutheran Church of Russia
- _____ Emergency Relief (for families in crisis)
- _____ Other (please specify) _____

\$ _____ In honor of _____
\$ _____ In memory of _____

GIFT LILY—DEADLINE—SUNDAY, MARCH 24
(TO DECORATE OUR SANCTUARY)

How many _____ \$10 each
In memory of: _____
In honor of: _____

2024 EMMANUEL SPECIAL EASTER GIFTS

Lily donations must be received by **Sunday, March 24.**
Ministry Fund donations must be received by **Sunday, March 24.**
Place your donation into the offering plate or mail it to the church office.
Please mark it "Easter Gift" with a designation.

Given by _____

GIFT (ANY AMOUNT) TO A MINISTRY FUND:

- _____ General Fund _____ Vacation Bible School
- _____ Building Maintenance _____ Youth Fund
- _____ Sandstone Food Shelf _____ A Place for You
- _____ ELCA World Hunger _____ Everyone's Table
- _____ Emergency Relief (for families in crisis)
- _____ Other (please specify) _____

\$ _____ In honor of _____
\$ _____ In memory of _____

GIFT LILY—DEADLINE— SUNDAY, MARCH 24
(TO DECORATE OUR SANCTUARY)

How many _____ \$10 each
In memory of: _____
In honor of: _____

The Greatest Man in History... Jesus; Had no servants, yet they called Him Master. Had no degree, yet they called Him Teacher. Had no medicines, yet they called Him Healer. He had no army, yet kings feared Him. He won no military battles, yet He conquered the world. He did not live in a castle, yet they called Him Lord, He ruled no nations, yet they called Him King, He committed no crime, yet they crucified Him. He was buried in a tomb, yet He lives today (Lyle C Rollings III, 2008).

† March Worship Assistants †

	GR Reader	GR Usher	GR Com Asst	GR Coffee Svr	EM Reader	EM Usher	EM Com Asst	EM Coffee Svr	Musicians
3	Alyssa Dykstra	D Larsen Joe Jarvis	Kristy Barsness	Pat Prestegord Kristee Thorvig	Edward Roubinek	Jacob Roubinek	Edward Roubinek	Amanda Roubinek	Steve & Laura McCaughan
6	Joint Lenten Service at Grace				Joint Lenten Service at Grace				
10	Dave Bloemendaal	J & D Seymour	Sue Wright	Dorothy Dybvig Alyssa Dykstra	Chris Rostberg	John Rostberg	Steve McCaughan	Chris Rostberg	Nathan Frazer
13	Joint Lenten Service at Emmanuel				Joint Lenten Service at Emmanuel				
17	Cindy Gray	Rod & Pat Prestegord	Nancy W-Azarski	N W-Azarski Donna Larsen	Donna Larsen	Marvin Rostberg	Nancy Pugh L McCaughan	Jodi Helseth	Nancy Pugh GR Contemporary EM
20	Joint Lenten Service at Grace				Joint Lenten Service at Grace				
24	Frank Grundmeier	Joe Jarvis D Noyes	Dorothy Dybvig	Jan Seymour	Liz Kelly	Jacob Roubinek	Ruth Witter	Mallory Greenwaldt	Steve & Laura McCaughan
28	Maundy Thursday Service at Grace								Jane Grundmeier
29	Good Friday Service at Emmanuel								Steve & Laura McCaughan
31	Joint Easter Service at Emmanuel				Ruth Witter	Jacob Roubinek	Laura McCaughan	Laura McCaughan	Nancy Pugh



Church Contact Information

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*If you reach voicemail, your call will be returned ASAP!
 Email is the best way to reach the Church Office.*

Birthday Blessings

Emmanuel

Harlan Foss 3/4
 Deb Sjordahl 3/6
 Deanna Johnson 3/13
 Grace Balut 3/14
 Sharon Johnson 3/23
 Karen Helwig 3/25
 Larry Helwig 3/25
 Jeana Balut 3/31
 Louise Sterner 3/31

Grace

Lee Dybvig 3/2
 Dan Groe 3/12
 Jan Seymour 3/15
 Emma Priske 3/22
 Chuck Drilling 3/26
 Craig Thorvig 3/30





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 7:00p EM Voting Machine Testing	2
3 Pr Deb Hanson-Carlson 9:30a GR Worship 10:15a EM Coffee Fellowship 10:30a GR Coffee Fellowship 11:00a EM Worship EM Noisy Offering —World Hunger EM Sunday School	4 9:00a GR WELCA Business Meeting at GR 10:00a GR & EM Gather Bible study at EM Pastor's Day Off	5 No First Word Bible Study 4:30-6:00p Everyone's Table, John Wright Bldg 7:00a-8:00p EM Presidential Primary Election	6 5:45p Soup Supper—GR 7:00p Lenten Svc at GR Confirmation at GR	7	8	9
10 9:30a GR Worship GR Sunday School 10:15a EM Coffee Fellowship EM WELCA Meeting 10:30a GR Coffee Fellowship 11:00a EM Worship EM Sunday School	11 Pastor's Day Off	12 11:00a Joint First Word Bible Study at Grace 1:00p Sandstone Flower/Garden Mtg in GR church basement 7:00p EM Dell Grove Township Annual Meeting, w/monthly Board Meeting to follow	13 5:00p Joint Worship & Music Committee Mtg at EM 5:45p Soup Supper—EM 6:00p Choir Practice at EM 7:00p Lenten Svc at EM Confirmation at EM	14 9:00a GR Quilters	15	16
17 Pastor Steve McCaughan 9:30a GR Contemporary Worship 10:15a EM Coffee Fellowship 10:30a GR Coffee Fellowship 11:00a EM Contemporary Worship EM Noisy Offering —Local Food Shelf EM Sunday School EM Council Mtg following worship	18 Pastor's Day Off	19 11:00a Joint First Word Bible Study at Grace 4:30-6:00p Everyone's Table, John Wright Bldg	20 9:00a Grace Council Mtg 5:45p Soup Supper—GR 6:00p Choir Practice at GR 7:00p Lenten Svc at GR Confirmation at GR	21	22	23 10:00a-1:00p Avery Degerstrom Bridal Shower at Emmanuel
24 Palm Sunday 9:30a GR Worship GR Sunday School 10:15a EM Coffee Fellowship 10:30a GR Coffee Fellowship EM Sunday School 12:00p EM Community Easter Fair	25 April 2024 Newsletter Submissions Deadline Pastor's Day Off	26 11:00a Joint First Word Bible Study at Grace	27 6:00p Movie Night at Bethany Cromwell: The Passion of Christ—<u>an</u> <u>adults-only movie-NO</u> <u>children</u>	28 9:00a GR Quilters 5:30p Maundy Thursday svc GR	29 7:30p Good Friday svc at EM	30
31 Easter Sunday 10:30a Joint Worship at EM						Updated 3.1.24

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*Grace & Emmanuel of Dell Grove
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**2024
CONGREGATION
COUNCILS**



Emmanuel of Dell Grove

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Chris Rostberg, Altar Guild
Deanna Johnson
Amanda Roubinek

Grace

Bill Gaede, President
Todd Sandell, Vice President
Dorothy Dybvig, Treasurer
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