



Good News of Grace



February 2019

Grace Lutheran Church
303 Green Bay Road
Thiensville, WI 53092

“Reaching out to all people as Disciples of Christ, we serve God, proclaim our faith and care for all creation.”

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February Highlights

February 1 - Robert Stuart Mitchell
7pm Free Concert
(See page 8 for details)

February 10 - Sunday School
at 10:15am



February 11 - Presentation on Lincoln's
Assassination - 11:30am
(See page 2 for details)



February 24 - Sunday School
at 10:15am



A Note from Pastor Bill

One of my favorite holidays is in February. I looked forward to it every year. The love, the anticipation, the ways for us to bond ourselves to each other. The question was always in my heart...would this be the year? Would this be the time we hear those special words that make all of life better? Yes, my favorite holiday is Groundhog Day!!

Worship and Education

Worship Schedule:

Sunday - 9am
Tuesday Devotional - 12:10pm



Education

Faith Formation - Sundays 10:15am
Bible Study - Thursday 12pm

Every winter I anxiously waited for the Groundhog to come out of its burrow and declare either the end of winter or the beginning of Spring. It was a great time as a child. It was only when I was older that I realized that the Groundhog declaring either “six more weeks of winter” or “an early spring” were kind of the same thing. But, I soon realized...it is all in how you look at it.

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News and Notes

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News from Puerto Parada

By Rosa McManus

Our mission in the Kingdom of God is much the same way. You can look on it as the depressing “six more weeks of winter” or you can celebrate knowing that there will be an “early spring.” Either way the mission is the same! It is just our perspective that might need to change.

At our Annual Meeting we will approve (or have approved, depending on when you read this) a budget that expresses our mission and ministry priorities for our congregation. Our increase in benevolence, the addition of staff, and the updates to our facilities are all major aspects of ministry that we will be able to provide to our community.

But, none of that means anything if the members of our congregation are not behind the ministry of this congregation. This is not my church. This is not your church. This is Christ's Church. When we engage in ministry we need to continually ask ourselves what the ministry of Christ requires. Only then can we see the bright lights of spring on the horizon. Only then can we see resurrection out of the cold dead days of winter.

We are the people of God...together! Now that we have a ministry direction for the next year, let's go and bring the light of Christ to our community.

On another note. I know there is another special day in February that we need to acknowledge. The beginning of Spring Training! GO BREWERS!



The Grace Council and Social Concerns teams are pleased to announce that one of our El Salvador college scholarship recipients, Rosa Maria Gaitan Garcia, recently graduated with a one year degree in cosmetology. Rosa attends Mi Buen Jesús Lutheran Church in Puerto Parada, and attended the Beauty Salon and Academy at Marien's Beautiful Center. In addition to her studies, Rosa teaches Bible classes, reads scripture during church services,



and is a member of the church council. Pictures from her graduation ceremony are displayed in the narthex. Congratulations to Rosa and many thanks to the Grace congregation for your support of this program!

OVER 55 February Event Reminder *Presentation on Lincoln's Assassination*

Many people know that Lincoln was assassinated on April 14, 1865 in Ford's Theatre in Washington, DC. But there is more to the story. Mark Krause, from Krause Funeral Homes, has a presentation about Lincoln's assassination and funeral that brings to light some intriguing information that you will probably find very interesting.



On **February 11** (the day before Lincoln's 210th birthday) Over 55 is hosting Mr. Krause's presentation for anyone who is interested in attending. The event will begin at 11:30 with a soup and salad lunch following in the Fellowship Hall. The cost for the meal and the 45 minute presentation is \$10/person. The deadline for signing up is **February 2**. The subject matter of this presentation may not be appropriate for young children.

FEBRUARY LEADERS

	<u>GREETERS</u>	<u>HOSTS</u>
	9:00 am	
3	Audrey Bierman	Sandy Smith
10	JoAnn Holdmann	Betty Thompson
17	Dieter & Elsbeth Bruhnke	Geri Schesel
24	Diane Umhoefer	The Beck Family

<u>READERS</u>	
	9am
3	Dawn Omernik-Nimmer
10	Mark Ortell
17	Mary Karthaus
24	Jordan Beck

<u>COMMUNION ASSISTANTS</u>		
	<u>Bread</u>	<u>Wine</u>
3	Karen Larsen	1. Holly Grassin-Kremmel 2. Dean Arneson
10	Ross Greinke	1. Tom Gauthier 2. Pam Johnson
17	Jim Button	1. Judy Button 2. JoAnn Holdmann
24	Dan Driewer	1. Rip McManus 2. Geri Schesel

<u>COFFEE FELLOWSHIP (sign up with a buddy!)</u>	
3	Scout Troop 852
10	Amber Ortell and Trina Brown
17	Elsa and Luther Beck for their baptisms
24	Sandy Smith and Jen Hamm

COMMUNION SET-UP (See Diane Umhoefer to sign up)

<u>9am</u>	
Feb 3	Beth Buczynski
Feb 10	Karen Larsen
Feb 17	Holly Grassin-Kremmel
Feb 24	TBD

USHERS

Feb 3	Steve & Cindy Karthaus
Feb 10	Steve & Cindy Karthaus
Feb 17	Kathy & Terry Young
Feb 24	Kathy & Terry Young

COUNTERS

Feb 3/4	Marcia Seehusen* & Diane Umhoefer
Feb 10/11	Ralph Buchweitz* & Christa Buchweitz
Feb 17/18	Jim Button* & Holly Grassin-Kremmel
Feb 24/25	Steve Mussatti* & Beth Buczynski

<u>ACOLYTES</u>	
	9 am
3	Sadie Ferguson
10	Luke Kamarainen
17	Caitlin Brown
24	Bryce Umhoefer

Help us Serve!

Please help us out in the office by letting us know if you would like to be a worship volunteer. Try something new! We'll get you trained and ready to go!

Pews: Ross Greinke

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GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
303 GREEN BAY ROAD, THIENSVILLE
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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					7:00pm Robert Stuart Mitchell Concert	9:00am Men's Bible Study
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
8:30am Bell Choir Warm Up 9:00am Worship/ Com. 10:15am Women's Choir Reh.		9:00am Pr's Colectivo hrs. 12:10pm Worship/Com 6:30pm Scouts	8:30am Guest House Sandwiches	9:00am Quilting 12:00pm Bible Study 6:30pm Bell Rehearsal		9:00am SBG Practice 6:00pm Dinner with Friends
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
8:30am Chancel Choir Warms Up 9:00am Worship/ Com. <i>Blood Pressure Screening Before/After Worship</i> 10:15am Finance Team Mtg. 10:15am Sunday School 10:15am Chancel Choir Reh. 1:30pm Hennings Recital		9:00am Pr's Colectivo hrs. 12:10pm Worship/Com 6:30pm Scouts 7:00pm Council Meeting		12:00pm Bible Study 6:30pm Bell Rehearsal 7:30am Scouts		9:00am Men's Bible Study
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
PR CHERI PRESIDES 8:30am Chancel Choir Warms Up 9:00am Worship/ Com. 10:15am Chancel Choir Reh.	5:30pm Lakeshore Modern Quilters	9:00am Pr's Colectivo hrs. 12:10pm Worship/Com 6:30pm Scouts	8:30am Guest House Sandwiches	9:00am Quilting 12:00pm Bible Study 6:30pm Bell Rehearsal		9:00am SBG Practice
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News and Notes

Ethnic Dining

By Karen Petersen

Our next dinner will take place at Texas de Brazil Churrascaria Steakhouse at Mayfair on February 9 at 6pm. The cost is around \$45.00 per person plus tax, tip, and drinks. This includes a 50 item salad bar and all the meat you can eat. Give me a call at 242-9728 if you would still like to sign up.

Karen Petersen



Dinner with Friends

By Karen Petersen

Our next dinner with friends will be on Saturday, March 9 at 6pm. I need to know if you will not be able to attend so I can set up the groups. So please let me know as soon as possible if you have plans that conflict with the dinner.

Karen Petersen
242-9728

Guest House Sandwiches

We assemble sandwiches for the guests at the Guest House *twice* each month, on the first and third Wednesdays, at 8:30am. Join us for this opportunity to serve and to enjoy fellowship with one another on Wednesday, **February 6 and 20.**



Memorial Account Activity for December

Income:	\$89
Expenditures:	\$9,351 Sign Payment
Balance:	\$7,369
(Designated:	\$2,785)
(Available:	\$4,583)

February Birthdays

Name	Date
Donna Eigel	1
Randy Radiske	4
Sylvia Sampe	5
Kim Nagel	6
Chris Cunningham	8
Kevin Frank	10
Kyle Frank	10
Beverly Smiley	11
Eleanor Bettridge	12
Elliot Nimmer	16
Lucy Koch	17
Janet Neitzke	17
Jeffrey Perez	18
Karen Martin	19
Drew Wagner	19
Terry Young	19
Wayne Aschauer	20
Steve Karthauer	20
Edna Steitz	20
James Laabs	21
Jim Nutter	24
Dick Reuter	24
Nina Emmons	27
Gary Plotkin	27
Ralph Buchweitz	28
Diane Weber	28
Alice Sedgwick	29



If you have a birthday this month and your name is not listed, we apologize. Please call the church office so that we update our records.

Thank you!

Choir Rehearsal Time Changes

By Brian Dearing

Starting the first weekend of February, the rehearsal times for our Men's, Women's, and Chancel Choirs move from 7:45am before worship to 10:15am after worship. The purpose is to make it easier for more singers to join! Won't you consider joining one or more of these groups? Singers from high school age up are welcome in all three choirs.



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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Worship with Holy Communion:

**Sundays: 9:00am
Tuesdays: 12:10pm**

Education:

**Faith Formation - Sundays 10:15am
Bible Study - Thursdays: 12pm**



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All People's Christmas Gifts

Many thanks to all who donated winter clothing for the children of All Peoples Church. We were able to deliver: 10 pairs of gloves, 7 scarves, 1 outer jacket, 4 sweatshirts and sweaters, 2 snow pants, and 32 hats. All items were very much needed and appreciated.
Christa Buchweitz



Robert Stuart Mitchell Concert

Just a last minute reminder that on Friday, February 1 at 7pm, Grace Lutheran Church will present a free sacred music concert by classical/crossover vocal artist Robert Stuart Mitchell. Stuart is an astonishing voice, compelling performer, and incomparable worship soloist. He has a substantial repertoire and facility in Modern, Inspirational Christian music, Classical works, and Celtic folk and traditional music. (This concert is absolutely free; a free-will offering will be taken for the direct support of Stuart's music ministry.) For additional information about Stuart, see: www.rstuartmitchell.com



or YouTube channel
"Robert Stuart Mitchell"

or
www.facebook.com/rstuartmitchell.

**All Peoples' Church Food Pantry
Item Update**

All Peoples' is very much in need of non-perishable food items. The need will be greater during the government shutdown come February when people would normally get their Foodshare benefits. Please drop items in the bin in the narthex.

