

Grace Lutheran Church & School



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Grades: Kindergarten-8th

Church Year: Epiphany 4/Farewell Sunday

Date: February 1, 2026

✠ WORSHIP INFORMATION ✠

Hymns:

WS 799: This is the Feast

Baptism: Maxwell Cobb Milbrandt

CDS: Children of the Heavenly Father (join last stanza)

TLH 467: Built on the Rock the Church Doth Stand

WS 780: Dear Lord, to Thy True Servants Give

TLH 493: Thou Who the Night in Prayer Didst Spend

Listening assistance is available. Please ask an usher.

Worship Prep:

Psalm 23, TLH p. 128

Liturgy:

WS p. 1 (Projected)

WS p. 36, Psalm 23

Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 6:1-8

2 Corinthians 4:1-7

Sermon: Acts 20:28

²⁸ "Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood." (NKJVTM)

"Shepherd the Church of God as Pastor"

1. By including myself with the flock
2. By feeding the sheep with the powerful Gospel
3. By the Holy Spirit placing me here to oversee the sheep



✠ **THE ANNOUNCEMENTS** ✠

- ➔ **Hein Farewell:** Today is Pastor Hein's Farewell Sunday given his retirement after 30 years in the pastoral ministry and 21 years at Grace. He has also served at Our Redeemer's Lutheran in Red Wing, MN; Berea Lutheran in Sioux Falls, SD; and Redemption Lutheran in Lynnwood, WA; all while having the



support of Janelle, who has been an excellent pastor's wife behind the scenes. A potluck meal will be held following the service for which the Elders are also providing extra chicken and cake. Dorcas Guild Committee #3 hosts. Given the activity of the day, the Lord's Supper and Installation of Officers will be held on Feb. 8.

- ➔ **Congratulations** to Max Milbrandt for his baptism today as part of his personal faith journey. Having learned more about baptism this week, especially of the Ethiopian eunuch being baptized by Philip,



and after learning of salvation through Christ Jesus, he was eager to do this. May the Holy Spirit powerfully work as he is connected by faith to Jesus' death and resurrection through the old man and new man.

- ➔ **Among Us:** Dan Fleischer's bladder cancer has returned, but is considered manageable. Moving forward, there are three options being discussed. We pray that wisdom will guide the physicians.
- ➔ **ILC Care Packages** will be assembled after church on Feb.15. If you would like to donate money or items to this effort, speak to Heidi Nelson or Bonnie Baker. Items should be brought to church by Feb. 8.

- ➔ **Midweek Lenten Services:** Our midweek Lenten services will begin on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18, 7 pm, with the theme, "Searching Questions of the Passion." These midweek services can deepen our appreciation of the redemptive work our Savior.



- ➔ **Lenten Soup Suppers:** These gatherings (at 6 pm) are a way for people to eat between work and our Midweek Lenten worship services. There is a sign-up sheet posted in the fellowship hall for those who are willing to provide soup and do setup and cleanup.

- ➔ **Youth Basketball Tournament:** This year's tournament will run March 13-15, 2026, and will take place on the campus of Immanuel Lutheran HS & College in Eau Claire, WI. Steve Schierenbeck and Steve Sydow are directors and will be releasing info. over time. They may be contacted if your child is looking for a team (5th-8th grades). Info. at www.clclutheran.net/events-2/youth-young-adult-events/tourney/.
- ➔ **CLC Tourney Band:** Come and join the 22nd CLC Tourney Band at the CLC Grade School Basketball Tournament in Eau Claire, WI, on Saturday, March 14. Register band players (grades 5-8) at clctourneyband.weebly.com. Music is available on the website. Basketball players and non-basketball players are welcome! Our one practice will be during that Saturday morning (time TBA) with a performance around noon. Send questions to Laurie Lau music@thelaus.com.
- ➔ **Call for Nominations:** The deadline is March 31 for nominations to CLC offices at our upcoming synod convention, June 25-28, 2026. Pastors, professors, male teachers, and voters of congregations within the Church of the Lutheran Confession are invited to nominate individuals for the following synodical offices: CLC President; CLC Vice-President; CLC Moderator; CLC Secretary; Called Servants for the Board of Trustees, Regents, Missions, and Education; Lay Members for the Board of Trustees, Regents, Missions, and Education. An online nomination form and accompanying information is available at www.clclutheran.net under the "2026 CLC Officer Nominations" link, or directly at: www.clclutheran.net/nominations/.
- ➔ **CLC News:** Pastor Paul Agenten of Calvary Lutheran in Marquette, MI, and St. Peter's Lutheran in Iron River, MI, has received the call to Living Hope Lutheran in Appleton, WI. † Pastor Richard Kanzenbach of St. Luke's Ev. Lutheran in Lemmon, SD, has announced his retirement in summer 2026.
- ➔ **Sunday School Memory Work:** #15 – First Article, Part 2



Welcome to our guests and visitors. We appreciate the opportunity to share God's Word with you today. Please come again! Those interested in learning more about the Scriptures and our doctrinal position, please speak with Pastor Hein. He would be delighted to visit with you!

Divine Call to Grace Lutheran Church – January 23, 2005

IN EXTENDING THIS CALL TO YOU

WE SOLEMNLY CHARGE YOU



To preach the Word of God among us in its full truth and purity as contained in the Sacred Scriptures of the Old and

New Testaments and as set forth in the confessional writings of the Lutheran Church as found in the Book of Concord of 1580;

To administer the holy sacraments in accordance with their divine institution, and to maintain sound Lutheran practices at all times;

To discharge toward all the members of our congregation the functions of a pastor, that is, to watch over their souls in an evangelical manner (Acts 20:28), in particular to visit the sick and dying; to admonish indifferent and erring members (2 Timothy 4:2); and to be ever zealous for the winning of souls for Christ's Kingdom;

To be faithful in the spiritual care of the young in particular, to instruct our catechumens in the Word of God, as it is taught in the Small Catechism of Doctor Martin Luther, and, in general to be diligent in fostering and furthering the educational agencies of our congregation;

To walk and conduct yourself at all times as it becomes a minister of Christ (1 Timothy 3:2-7; Titus 1:7-9), so that by your Christian life you may be an example to all men (Matthew 5:16); and

To devote your time, strength, and ability to the general advancement of the Kingdom of Christ and to the gathering in of His harvest.



For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. - Ephesians 2:8-9

Pray for Your Pastor

Brethren, pray for us. 1 Thessalonians 5:25

We reserved this one morning in the year to refresh the reader's memory on the subject of ministers, and we most earnestly implore every Christian household to grant the fervent request of the text first uttered by an apostle and now repeated by us. Brethren, our work is solemnly momentous, involving well-being or woe to thousands. We deal with souls for God on eternal business, and our word is either the aroma of life to life, or of death to death. A very heavy responsibility rests on us, and it will be no small mercy if at the last we are found clear of the blood of all men. As officers in Christ's army, we are the special target of the hatred of men and devils; they watch for our halting and labor to take us by the heels. Our sacred calling involves us in temptations from which you are exempt. Above all it too often draws us away from our personal enjoyment of truth into a ministerial and official consideration of it. We meet with many knotty cases, and our wits are confounded. We observe very sad backslidings, and our hearts are wounded; we see millions perishing, and our spirits sink. We wish to benefit you by our preaching. We desire to be a blessing to your children. We long to be useful both to saints and sinners; therefore, dear friends, intercede for us with our God. Miserable men are we if we miss the aid of your prayers, but happy are we if we live in your supplications. You do not look to us but to our Master for spiritual blessings, and yet how many times has He given those blessings through His ministers. Ask, then, again and again, that we may be the earthen vessels into which the Lord may put the treasure of the Gospel. We, the whole company of missionaries, ministers, city missionaries, and students, do in the name of Jesus beseech you, "Brethren, pray for us." - Spurgeon Devotion, July 7

"WHEN A PLACE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO A LUTHERAN CANDIDATE OF THEOLOGY WHERE HE IS TO DISCHARGE THE OFFICE OF A LUTHERAN MINISTER, THAT PLACE OUGHT TO BE TO HIM THE DEAREST, MOST BEAUTIFUL, AND MOST PRECIOUS SPOT ON EARTH. HE SHOULD BE UNWILLING TO EXCHANGE IT FOR A KINGDOM. WHETHER IT IS IN A METROPOLIS OR IN A SMALL TOWN, ON A BLEAK PRAIRIE OR IN A CLEARING IN THE FOREST, IN A FLOURISHING SETTLEMENT OR IN A DESERT, TO HIM IT SHOULD BE A MINIATURE PARADISE. DO NOT THE BLESSED ANGELS DESCEND FROM HEAVEN WITH GREAT JOY WHENEVER THE FATHER IN HEAVEN SENDS THEM TO MINISTER TO THOSE WHO ARE TO BE HEIRS OF SALVATION? WHY, THEN, SHOULD WE POOR SINNERS BE UNWILLING TO HURRY AFTER THEM WITH GREAT JOY TO ANY PLACE WHERE WE CAN LEAD OTHER MEN, OUR FELLOW-SINNERS, TO SALVATION?"

- C.F.W. WALTHER, LAW & GOSPEL, P. 207F

✝ TODAY AT GRACE ✝

Organist: **Sue Nelson**

Elder: **Frank Radichel**

Usher Team 3: **Eli Wales; Alex Baker; Kevin Baker; Dan Kelley; Ryan Oman; Bob Vandever; Uriah Wales**

Counting Team 4: **Kyle Aymond; Thomas Graham; Kevin Hulke; Clint Welker**

Church Cleaners: **Volunteers?**

School: **M. Vandever**

✝ NEXT WEEK AT GRACE ✝

Usher Team 4: **Al Rosendahl; Kyle Aymond; Kevin Hulke; Jack Maki; John Maki; Keith Radichel; Grant Wells**

Counting Team 1: **Dale Enns; Larry Nelson; Phil Radichel; Dave Rust**

Church Cleaners: **Kuehne**

School: **M. Vandever**

✝ OUR SCHEDULE ✝

Sun., Feb. 1: Pastor Hein Farewell & Retirement

8:30 am – Choir Practice

9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class

10:00 am – Worship Service (Epiphany 4)

11:00 am – Potluck Meal (Dorcas #3 Hosts)

Sun., Feb. 8: 8:30 am – Choir Practice

9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class

10:00 am – Worship Service w/Lord's Supper (Epiphany 5)

Sun., Feb. 15: 8:30 am – Choir Practice

9:00 am – Sunday School & Bible Class

10:00 am – Worship Service (Transfiguration)

11:00 am – Hospitality

ILC Care Package Preparation

Mon., Feb. 16: Grace School Day Off

Wed., Feb. 18: **ASH WEDNESDAY** (Lent begins)

6:00 pm – Lenten Soup Supper

7:00 pm – Midweek Lenten Worship Service w/Lord's Supper

March 13-15: Youth Basketball Tournament (ILC Fieldhouse @ Eau Claire)

Our Pastor's
RETIREMENT



Last Week's Stats: Jan. 25, 2026 Sun: 73 S.S.: 12 B.Cl.: 35

Week's Offering: Grace: \$15,792 CLC: \$620

Weekly Need (est.): Grace: 5,400 CLC: 1,440

-Under / +Over: Grace: +10,392 CLC: -820

Year-to-Date Offering: Grace: \$28,992 CLC: \$1,959

Year-to-Date Need (est.): Grace: 21,600 CLC: 5,760

Difference from Budget (+/-) Grace: +7,392 CLC: -3,801

GLC Other: 20 Living Faith: 0 Tuition Aid: 1075 Sanctuary: 25

SAF Endowment: 0 MDF: 0 Kinship: 146 EduK8: 0

ILC Student Aid: 0 ILC Bldg. 0 IIF: 0 CEF: 0

Current Balances: Tuition Aid: \$6,408 Sanctuary: \$17,083

All numbers are best estimates. Treasurer reports are official. Enns Memorial: 157

QR Code for Online Giving:

