



Growing With Grace May 5 and 6, 2018

Please take this insert with you as a reference during the week.

OUR WELCOMING STATEMENT

"God's love is for all and God's grace is present in all creation. God's spirit draws us into community. We are filled with genuine care and love for one another. Honoring the diversity of our faith journeys, our welcome is extended to all—people of all races, sexes, ethnic backgrounds, generations, physical and mental abilities, economic conditions, sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions. No matter who you are, no matter where you are in your life, you are welcome here. We are all invited to bless this church with our love, our presence, and our participation."

Welcome to worship at Grace, a church seeking to:

- **PROCLAIM** the good news of Jesus Christ;
- **PRACTICE** uncommon hospitality; and
- **PREPARE** disciples to serve in the world.

WORSHIP TIMES

Saturday @ 5 p.m., Sunday @ 8 a.m., & Sunday @ 10:15 a.m.

Hospitality Time follows the Saturday service and the 10:15 Sunday service. Our 10:15 services are signed for the hearing impaired.

Nursery care for children 3 years and younger is provided each Sunday from 7:45-11:30 a.m.

Worship Activity Bags in the gathering space outside the sanctuary are filled with quiet activities intended to complement a child's worship experience.

Please return them to the container next to the bag tree after worship.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School meets at 9 a.m. each Sunday September through May.

PASTORS and CONTACT INFORMATION

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. David Swinton

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OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

For more information on these opportunities, fill out this form and place it in the offering plate.

I would like to receive the following:

- ☐ **Beyond the Red Doors** (weekly email with upcoming events)
- ☐ **Chimes Newsletter** (sent monthly via postal service or email)



ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2018

___ I/we will provide altar flowers on

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| <input type="checkbox"/> May 13 | <input type="checkbox"/> Jul 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Jul 22 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug 12 | <input type="checkbox"/> Aug 19 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aug 26 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sep 30 | <input type="checkbox"/> Oct 28 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dec 30 | | |

Cost is \$40 per week.

Dedication:

- ☐ I would like to volunteer in the office
- ☐ I would like to host Hospitality Time following the 10:15 a.m. Sunday service

Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

(please print clearly)

May Sunday School Offering

Our May Sunday School offerings will go to the Grace Preschool Scholarship Fund. This fund helps Grace Preschool families who are short on resources pay tuition. Help a child get off to a solid start by supporting this fund!

Glass Jars No Longer Needed

We currently have a very large selection of glass jars that have been donated over the past year or so, and we no longer need additional donations. Thank you!

Sunday School Teacher Recognition

We will honor our Sunday School teachers during the 10:15 service next Sunday, May 13. Please join us as we give thanks for their service.

Publication Deadlines

Articles for the **Growing with Grace** bulletin insert and **Beyond the Red Doors** email are due **Wednesdays at noon.**

Articles for the **Chimes Newsletter** are due the **15th** of each month.

Please send **complete** articles for all of the publications to
Charlene Hjort at
charlenehjort@gracedesmoines.org
or drop them off in the church office.





Confirmation Class 2018

Sunday is a day of celebration as we welcome our confirmands as full members of Grace UMC and of the United Methodist Church. For the past nine months, these individuals and their mentors have explored, studied, discussed, and confirmed their faith. Our confirmands and their mentors are:

Jacob DeLange
Cyndy Miller, mentor

Nyamal Ding
Cathryn Lang, mentor

Megan Heilskov
Patty Link, mentor

Lilyana Martin
Deb Miller, mentor

Ellie Nauman
Nathan DeLange, mentor

Ava Steinbach
Betsy Pokorny, mentor

Madaline Thomas
Connie Crawford, mentor

Art Show Opens Today!

Grace's Annual Members and Friends Art Exhibit is now open in the Grace Gallery (aka the Activity Center on the lower level) and will be open anytime the church is open through the month of May. Instead of our regular Hospitality Time in Fellowship Hall, there will be an Artists' Reception in the Grace Gallery Sunday morning following the 10:15 a.m. worship service. Please join us!

The Open Table

The Open Table will have a special guest Sunday evening at 6:30 at Wesley House (2718 University Ave.). Josh Steward will be speaker, and will be leading us in a Bible discussion. It will be a fabulous evening. All are welcome.

Grants for Campers & Kirby Gull Memorial Scholarships

Grace UMC has a couple of important announcements for those who plan to attend church camp this summer. Our Grants for Campers program offers to pay \$200 or half the cost of the camp (whichever is less) to ANYONE attending a United Methodist Camp in Iowa. The Kirby Gull Memorial Scholarship is designed to remove financial barriers for anyone attending a church camp this summer. Visit www.gracedesmoines.org or pick up forms in the entryway to register. Contact Coreen Witke at coreenwitke@gracedesmoines.org or 515.255.6400 ext. 230 for details.

Sunday, May 6, 2018

8 a.m. Worship
8:30 a.m. Chorister Choir Rehearsal
9 a.m. Sunday School
9 a.m. Confirmation Breakfast
10:15 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Artists' Reception
11:30 a.m. Grace Diners
4 p.m. Chapel Choir Rehearsal
5 p.m. UMYF/Open Table
6:30 p.m. Open Table

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

9:30 a.m. Open Table Planning
2:30 p.m. Free Clinic Prep
5 p.m. Free Clinic Meal & Registration
5:30 p.m. Finance Committee
5:30 p.m. Free Clinic
7 p.m. Library Committee

Wednesday, May 9, 2018

9 a.m. Quilters
2 p.m. Mental Health Clinic
5:30 p.m. Trustees Committee
6 p.m. Grace Chimers Rehearsal
6 p.m. Church & Society
7 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 10, 2018

6:45 a.m. Bible Study-Prayer Group
7 a.m. Centering Prayer
1:30 p.m. Art Group

7 p.m. Christian Ed Committee
7 p.m. Into the Frying Pan
Lectionary Study

Saturday, May 12, 2018

5 p.m. Worship
6 p.m. Hospitality Time

Sunday, May 13, 2018

8 a.m. Worship
8:30 a.m. Chorister Choir Rehearsal
9 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Hospitality Time
11:30 a.m. Grace Diners
3 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry
4 p.m. Chapel Choir Rehearsal
4 p.m. Youth Council
5 p.m. UMYF
6:30 p.m. The Open Table
7 p.m. Life After Death of Spouse

SUNDAY'S SUMMARY

Please join us for refreshments at the **Artists' Reception** immediately following the 10:15 a.m. service in the Grace Gallery (Activity Center)..

Grace Diners are going to **Chef's Kitchen** (1903 Beaver Ave., DM) on Sunday. Meet outside the church office 15 minutes after the 10:15 service, or meet at the restaurant.

