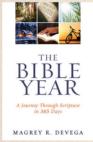
SPECIAL UPDATES



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP TIME



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READ THE BIBLE WITH US IN 365 DAYS!

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GIVING TO GRACE

You can give to Grace by placing your offering in the offering plates, by visiting **gracedesmoines.org,** or by mailing your offering to Grace at 3700 Cottage Grove, Des Moines, IA 50311.

SUNDAY MORNING ATTENDANCE

Sunday, January 7 2024

In-Person: 102

Online: 160

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WELCOME TO GRACE

We celebrate God's gift of diversity and value the wholeness made possible in community equally shared and shepherded by all. We welcome and affirm people of every gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation, who are also of every age, race, ethnicity, physical and mental ability, level of education, and family structure, and of every economic, immigration, marital, and social status. We acknowledge that we live in a world of profound social, economic, and political inequities. As followers of Jesus, we commit ourselves to the pursuit of justice and pledge to stand in solidarity with all who are marginalized and oppressed. We are all invited to bless this church with our love, our presence, and our participation.

ORDER OF WORSHIP JANUARY 14, 2024 - SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

PRELUDE

WELCOMING STATEMENT

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Together, let us praise the LORD:

Praise the LORD!

Let us praise our Creator, whose calling never ceases:

Praise the LORD!

Let us praise our Redeemer, whose grace is eternal:

Praise the LORD!

Let us praise our Sustainer, whose presence never fails us:

Praise the LORD!

Glory be to God, the Blessed and Holy Trinity:

The One in Three, and Three in One, now and forever. Amen.

The Lord be with you:

And also with you.

Let us pray: ...

HYMN "I Am Thine, O Lord" UMH 419

SCRIPTURE Psalm 139:1-18

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word:

Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S TIME "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" UMH 277

HYMN "Make Me A Servant" TFWS 2176

SCRIPTURE 1 Samuel 3:1-10

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word:

Thanks be to God!

SERMON "The Calling of God" Dr. Gregory S. Neal

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

GLORIA PATRI

Offerings of prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness. In addition to the offering plates that are being passed through the pews, you are invited to make contributions through the Church's website. Thank you!

SPECIAL MUSIC "This Little Light of Mine" arr. Joel Raney

DOXOLOGY UMH 94

INVITATION

CLOSING HYMN "Here I Am, Lord"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Worship Leaders: Dr. Gregory S. Neal, Senior Pastor; Shawn Mullen, Liturgist; Claire Campbell, Guest Organist; Dave Busiek and Laura Sands, Duo Piano

SPECIAL UPDATES

Church Office Volunteers

Interested in volunteering at our church office in 2024? Contact our Office Manager, Julie Rouse, at adminegracedesmoines.org for details. A training session for new and existing volunteers is scheduled for January 16 at 10:00 AM.

Altar Flowers

Reserve your preferred dates for altar flowers now! Simply contact the office to secure your spot. Each beautiful arrangement is priced at \$45.00.

Music Ministry

The Chancel Choir and Grace Chimers will be taking a break in January. Rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, January 31 (5:45 pm for Grace Chimers, 7:00 pm for Chancel Choir). If you have any questions about either music group, please contact our Music Director, Ann Gerdom, or Chancel Choir Director, Greg Sojka, or Grace Chimers Director, Claire Campbell.

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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Sunday, January 14

9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship 11:15 AM Hospitality Time 5:00 PM Youth Group 7:00 PM LADOS

Monday, January 15

1:30 PM Mary Circle (Jan Mechem's Place) 6:00 PM Crafternoon

Tuesday, January 16

10:00 AM Office Volunteer Training 1:30 PM The Bible Year 5:00 PM Free Clinic and Meal 5:00 PM Library Committee 7:30 PM AMOS

Wednesday, January 17

1:00 PM Suzannah Circle

Thursday, January 18
6:00 PM The Open Table
7:00 PM Anna Circle

Friday, January 19

No Activities

Saturday, January 20 No Activities

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Sunday, January 21
9:00 AM Sunday School
9:00 AM Grace Young Adult Gathering
10:15 AM Worship
11:15 AM Hospitality Time
5:00 PM Youth Group