

SPECIAL UPDATES

YOUNG ADULT GATHERING

JANUARY 21 @ 9AM

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		See Bulletin Front
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		Psalms 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		UMH 883
GLORIA PATRI		UMH 70
PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD’S PRAYER		
OFFERING		
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"	UMH 593
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	Music Ministry
Interested in volunteering at our church office in 2024? Contact our Office Manager, Julie Rouse, at admin@gracedesmoines.org for details. A training session for new and existing volunteers is scheduled for January 16 at 10:00 AM.	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 Gerdorn, or Chancel Choir Director, Greg Sojka, or Grace Chimers Director, Claire Campbell.
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.	
THIS WEEK AT GRACE	
Sunday, January 14	Thursday, January 18
9:00 AM Sunday School	6:00 PM The Open Table
10:15 AM Worship	7:00 PM Anna Circle
11:15 AM Hospitality Time	
5:00 PM Youth Group	Friday, January 19
7:00 PM LADOS	No Activities
Monday, January 15	Saturday, January 20
1:30 PM Mary Circle (Jan Mechem's Place)	No Activities
6:00 PM Crafternoon	
Tuesday, January 16	Sunday, January 21
10:00 AM Office Volunteer Training	9:00 AM Sunday School
1:30 PM The Bible Year	9:00 AM Grace Young Adult Gathering
5:00 PM Free Clinic and Meal	10:15 AM Worship
5:00 PM Library Committee	11:15 AM Hospitality Time
7:30 PM AMOS	5:00 PM Youth Group
Wednesday, January 17	
1:00 PM Suzannah Circle	