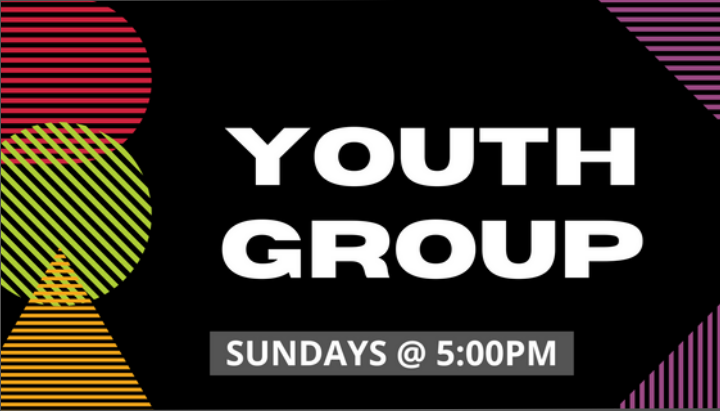



SPECIAL UPDATES



YOUTH GROUP

SUNDAYS @ 5:00PM

Book STUDY




March 3rd & March 24th
Following Worship


Criminal Justice Reform Group

METHODISM 101

WITH DR. GREG NEAL


FEBRUARY
4TH, 11TH, AND 18TH
FOLLOWING SERVICE





TRANS & NON BINARY EDUCATION SESSION 101

FEBRUARY 25, 2024
11:30 AM FELLOWSHIP HALL



OUR NEW CHURCH QR CODE MAKES IT EASIER THAN EVER TO WATCH OUR VIRTUAL SERVICES, ACCESS INSPIRING CONTENT, GIVE TO GRACE, AND STAY UPDATED ON UPCOMING EVENTS. SIMPLY SCAN THE CODE WITH YOUR SMARTPHONE AND EXPERIENCE THE GRACE OF COMMUNITY, ANYTIME, ANYWHERE.

GIVING TO GRACE

Give to Grace by using the offering plates, visiting gracedesmoines.org, or mailing to 3700 Cottage Grove, Des Moines, IA 50311.

SUNDAY MORNING ATTENDANCE

Sunday, February 11, 2024
In-Person: 94
Online: 133

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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 FEBRUARY 18, 2024 – FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT		
PRELUDE		
WELCOMING STATEMENT		See Bulletin Front
ANNOUNCEMENTS		
CALL TO WORSHIP	Kyrie	TFWS 2127
Choir: “Come and see, come and see, I am the way and the truth,” said he. “Follow me, follow me, come as a child, O come and see.” Kyrie, Kyrie, Kyrie elesion. Christe, Christe, Christe eleison.		
Congregation:		
Kyrie, Kyrie, Kyrie elesion. Christe, Christe, Christe eleison.		
The time is ready, the kingdom of God is at hand, repent and believe the Gospel. O come, let us return unto our God, Who will have mercy and abundantly pardon.		
The Lord be with you: And also with you. Let us pray: ...		
HYMN	“Sweet Hour of Prayer”	UMH 496
SCRIPTURE		Psalms 25:1-10
Holy Wisdom, Holy Word: Thanks be to God!		
CHILDREN’S TIME	“Tell Me the Stories of Jesus”	UMH 277
HYMN	“Come Away With Me”	TFWS 2202
SCRIPTURE		Philippians 4:4-9
Holy Wisdom, Holy Word: Thanks be to God!		
SERMON	“The Persistence of Prayer”	Dr. Gregory S. Neal
AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	“The Apostles’ Creed, Ecumenical Version”	UMH 882
GLORIA PATRI		UMH 70
PREPARATION FOR PRAYER	“O Lord, Hear My Prayer”	TFWS 2200
O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.		
PRAYER RESPONSE:	“O Lord, Hear My Prayer”	TFWS 2200

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERING

ANTHEM	"Prayer for Guidance"	Allen Pote
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DOXOLOGY		UMH 95
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HYMN	“Take Time to Be Holy”	UMH 395
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BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

Worship Leaders: Dr. Greg S. Neal, Senior Pastor; Ann Gerdom, Director of Music and Organist; Greg Sojka, Chancel Choir Director; Laura Thompson, Liturgist

SPECIAL UPDATES

ALL-CITY MASS CHOIR

Six members from the Grace choir, and possibly more, have joined an all-City mass choir for a special benefit concert on Saturday, February 24, at 4:00 pm, at First United Methodist Church, 1001 Pleasant St. Des Moines. The concert aims to raise funds for Grubb YMCA Youth Development Programs until the Reichardt Community Center opens in 2026. Join us for a musical evening for a great cause!

ACTION ALERT EMAILS

Church & Society is creating an email list for social justice issue alerts. To join, email your name and email to Binnie LeHew at lehew27@msn.com with subject "Please add me to the Grace Action Alerts list." Topics include Climate, LGBTQ, Social Justice, Immigration, and Education.

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Sunday, February 18

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:15 AM Worship
11:15 AM Hospitality Time
11:30 AM Methodism 101
3:30 PM Confirmation Class
5:00 PM Youth Group

Wednesday, February 21

9:00 AM Quilters
12:00 PM AMOS
1:00 PM Suzannah Circle
4:00 PM The Bible Year
5:45 PM Grace Chimers
7:00 PM Chancel Choir

Monday, February 19

1:30 PM Mary Circle (at Jan Mechem's place)
6:00 PM Crafternoon
6:30 PM The Bible Year

Thursday, February 22

6:00 PM The Open Table
7:00 PM Ad Council

Friday, February 23

No Activities

Saturday, February 24

10:00 AM Coffee Connections (Caribou on Ingersoll)

Sunday, February 25

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:15 AM Worship
11:15 AM Hospitality Time
3:30 PM Confirmation Class
5:00 PM Youth Group