



- ✝ Sharing God's Grace
- ✝ Living His Word
- ✝ Making Disciples

Sunday School – 9:10 am
Sunday Divine Worship – 10:30 am

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For the Week Beginning February 23, 2025

TIME IS RUNNING OUT: Are you missing out? Have you attended Pastor's Listening Posts yet? The last opportunity is scheduled for Tuesday, 2/25 at 6:30pm. There are other dates & times still open. So, check out the sign-up sheets & Prompting Questions on the table near the Community Room. This is your chance to share your stories about your membership at Grace. Don't miss your chance to be heard! Call Victoria in the church office to check the available dates if you don't get to check the sign-up sheets. She will make sure you get signed up. The goal of this exercise is to gather as much information on the "what was" (i.e., history) of the Grace congregation to help us understand the "what is" (current situation) of our church. Further events will help us determine the "what will be" (future) of our mutual mission and ministry. We have about 52 people registered so far; we'd like to see 75-80 participate.

Jr. High Focal Point: Go Carts at Green Acres is today from 6-7:30. Please let Ross Klabon know if you are going and if you are bringing a friend.

High School Focal Point: Laser Tag event is today from 6-7:30 at Cinergy. Let Natalie Keese know if you are going and if you are bringing a friend.

ECP Registration Open registration begins 3/3. Please don't miss your chance to register your child in the best preschool in Midland.

SWAT is going to Legacy Jump today from 4:30 – 6:30. Let Stacy Baker know if you are going.

Financial Support for So. Cal. Fire Victims: There are organizations listed everywhere you look who are accepting donations for these victims. Some good, some not so good. If you'd like to donate, here are some verified organizations where all donations will go directly to those in need.

LCMS Disaster Response
www.lcms.org/givenow/wildfire

LCMS Pacific SW District
www.psd-lcms.org/donate

Your donation of any size will be greatly appreciated by those affected by this disaster.

Bibleville: This week, we study "The Thankful One." Encountering ten lepers on His way to Jerusalem, Jesus has mercy on them and sends them to show themselves to the priests. As they go, the lepers are healed; but only one, a Samaritan, returns to thank Jesus.

Midweek Meals: The February 26th meal is *Lasagna, Salad, & Desserts*. Please fill out the **PINK SHEET** and let us know how many meals will be needed for your family. Your free-will offering to help offset expenses is greatly appreciated.

This Week's Bible Verse



Donuts: Are you willing to pick up donuts for a month? It's super easy! You go to the drive-up window, say "Grace Lutheran" and they'll give you 3-4 bags. That's It! They need to be at the church no later than 8:45 each Sunday. Pick up at T & T Donuts at Wadley and Garfield. Please see Margie Norton if you have questions. Sign up on the **PINK SHEET** if you can help out on one of the available months.

HELP WANTED: The next **New Member Dinner** will be held on March 22nd at 5:30pm. We need a few people to help at the dinner. Please fill out the **PINK SHEET**. Contact Michelle Boyles at (915) 539-6279 or Rachel Schimank at (979) 595-3095 with questions.



Pastor Ramey will present his "**Reflections**" on what was heard and learned through the "listening posts" recently held. By hearing about the "what was" of Grace, we can come to understand the "what is" and what we need to do as we prepare for the "what will be" God has in store for our congregation. The comments will be compiled and general themes identified, which will give us cause to analyze and plan the next steps to be taken during the transition period. **At Noon**, following our worship service on **Sunday, March 23** we will head to the Fellowship Halls where Pastor will share his presentation and take questions from everyone. *Please plan now to stay after worship for this important meeting!* A written report and suggestions for moving forward will be shared at the next Voters' Assembly, scheduled for May 4, 2025.

Grace Quilters: The Quilters continue to meet on Thursdays (excluding holidays) from **1 – 3pm** in the Community Room. Contact Gina Zimmerman at 432-553-2263 or Margaret Cloyd at 432-638-3358 with any questions. Come join us!

Women of Grace: This casual, yet meaningful gathering encourages the women of Grace to bring a lunch or snack. Whether you have a little lunch break, are in between appointments or simply want to come and enjoy each other's company, please join us on **Thursdays from 1 – 2pm in the Parlor**. For more information, please contact Gwen McWhorter (903) 641-1966 or Rachel Schimank (979) 595-3095.

2025 Flower Chart: is up and on the wall across from the Community Room. Please help keep expenses down for our Altar Guild by signing up today for your special dates. Each vase is \$50. Complete an envelope next to the flower chart and **make sure to include your dedication**. Also, let us know if you want to keep your flowers or not by checking "yes" or "no" at the bottom the envelope. Flowers need to be picked up by Tuesday morning. **Make your checks payable to Grace Altar Guild.**

Living in the Light of the Lord: Luke 6:30–31 – "Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them." Is it really possible to live like this? Would it really work to be so open-handed and generous? Our conscience often reminds us of our failures, and the Lord knows our frailty, that's for sure! But a life of faith is a life lived in imitation of Jesus — and every follower of Jesus knows that yes, indeed, it is better to give than to receive.

Life Quotes: "Handmade by the one true God and designed in His image, we are inherently valuable, not only for this life but for all of eternity."
 Michelle Bauman, Y4Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life •
 lutheransforlife.org

The Lutheran Hour: "Need to Know" Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#). If you don't need God, you won't know God.
 (John 7:28-29)

Family Shield Ministries: *We are in a Joshua Moment. For thirty years, God has led Family Shield Ministries through Kay Meyer. As Kay has now been led Home by His grace, there will not be any programs until further notice. Future programs will be posted as soon as that information is available.*

2025 Tellers Needed: Servants are needed to assist Jim Raven in counting the tithes collected after Sunday services. So, please sign up on the **PINK SHEET** where the open months are listed. **NEED A SERVANT FOR MARCH.**

Last Week's Attendance at Grace

Sunday Divine Service (02/16).....	100
Sunday School Attendance (02/16).....	50
Adults	36
Bibleville.....	8
Youth.....	4

Contributions as of 02/16/2025

Weekly:	Need	\$19,598
	Received	\$ 6,509
	Balance	(\$13,089)
YTD:	Need	\$137,186
	Received	\$ 70,792
	Balance	(\$ 66,394)

Sunday Morning Sunday School

Adult	Fellowship Hall
.....	<i>Pastor Mike Ramey</i>
Adult	Parlor
<i>Bible Stories</i>	<i>Josh/Kelli Jones</i>
Grades 7-8	Youth Room
.....	<i>Ryan & Tiffani Hamilton</i>
Grades 9-12	Youth Room
.....	<i>Chad & Lisa Dalager</i>
Adventure Zones in Bibleville
.....	<i>Ages 3 years – 6th Grade</i>

Graceful Living This Week

This Sunday	02.23.25
7:30.....	<i>The Lutheran Hour KWEL AM</i>
.....	1070 & 107.1 FM
9:15.....	Sunday School
10:30.....	Divine Service
5:00	LP #16
6:00.....	JH Focal Point
6:00.....	HS Focal Point

Monday	
6:30	LP #17

Tuesday	
6:30	LP #18

Wednesday	
5:00.....	Meal – Lasagna
5:30.....	ECP Board Mtg.
6:00.....	Joyful Chorus
6:00.....	Midweek Ministry

Thursday	
10:00	LP #19
1:00.....	Quilters
6:30	LP #20

Next Sunday	03.02.25
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	Transfiguration Sunday
7:30.....	<i>The Lutheran Hour KWEL AM</i>
.....	1070 & 107.1 FM
9:15.....	Sunday School
10:30.....	Divine Service w/Communion

*ECP 2024-2025: Continue to GROW
 Jesus heals the lame man through the roof.
 We have...the forgiveness of sins.
 Colossians 1:14
 GROW in Understanding!*