

- Sunday, March 24**
 8:00 AM Lenten GIG– Fireside Room
 9:30 AM Worship– Sanctuary
 10:45 AM All classes, from 3 yr. olds to adults; Confirmation and Sr. Hi Youth
 10:45 AM Lenten GIG– Chapel
 10:45 AM Wired Word GIG– Fireside Room
 11:55 AM Mission Hunger Banquet– BenTena Room
- Monday, March 25**
 4:00 PM 4H Extension Office– BenTena Room Kitchen
 7:00 PM Ad Council Mtg– Fireside Room
- Tuesday, March 26**
 6:45 AM Bible Study– Fireside Room
 10:00 AM Newsletter Folding– Wesley Room
 5:30 PM GGT Mtg– Wesley Room
 6:30 PM ADT Mtg– Library
 6:30 PM Esther Circle– Fireside Room
 7:00 PM Troop 123– B5
- Wednesday, March 27**
 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM Weighted Comfort for Kids Blanket Making– FS Hall
 11:00 AM Central Iowa Detention Testing– Wesley Room
 11:30 AM Community Lenten Lunch & Worship– Faith Pentecostal
 1:30 PM Lenten GIG– Fireside Room
 4:45 PM Jump Start Bag Packing– B38
 6:06 PM Worship– BenTena Room
 6:15 PM GriefShare– Fireside Room
 6:35 PM Lenten GIG– Fireside Room
 6:35 PM Choir Rehearsal– Choir Room
 7:15 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal– Bell Choir Room
- Thursday, March 28**
 Delivery Meals on Wheels
 Pastor dCOM Meeting– Storm Lake (All day)
 11:00 AM DHS Meeting– Fireside Room
 5:00 PM The Table– Fellowship Hall
- Friday, March 29**
 Delivery Meals on Wheels
- Sunday, March 31**
 8:00 AM Lenten GIG– Fireside Room
 9:30 AM Worship– Sanctuary
 10:45 AM All classes, from 3 yr. olds to adults; Confirmation and Sr. Hi Youth
 10:45 AM Lenten GIG– Chapel
 10:45 AM Wired Word GIG– Fireside Room
 4:00 PM 4H Mtg– Wesley Room

Recorded this week:

- Recorded Worship Attendance: 190
- General Budget Receipts: \$5,377.55
- Builder's Club: \$50.00
- Other Designated: \$92,334.60

THANK YOU for empowering GUMC Ministries by your Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service & Witness!

Nursery: 24th: Terry Ewoldt 31st: April 7:
Liturgist today is: 24th: Roger Ingledue 31st: April 7: Dennis DeWitt
Connection Center: 24th: Brownie & Gary Small 31st: Jane & Roger Ingledue April 7: Cyndi O'Hara
Accompanist: 24th: Sean Pulatie 31st: Tom Fuchsen April 7: Sean Pulatie

Greeters: *Questions ask Cyndi O'Hara*
3/24/19: Mitch & Katie McCann, Judith Olson, Janna Dirks, Dale & Carol Fisher
3/31/19: Bill & Carol Lauritzen, Dave & Gay Spark, Wanda Grote, Elaine Orthmann, Everette & Crystal Handy
4/7/19: Chuck & Jeri Elliott, Gordon & Jan Watson, Nancy Hoffman, Bailey Swanson, Tom & Lynnette Gross



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Ministers - Everyone

March 24, 2019

Third Sunday of Lent

9:30 AM

Welcome Guests! *If you've not been here before, relax. We are not going to ask you to stand up and introduce yourself. If this is your first time worshipping at Grace, we have a gift for you in the fellowship area. Go to the CONNECTION CENTER and the attendant will be sure you receive your gift.*

*When you see the [*] people are invited to arise as able. Song lyrics will be projected, but if you're a notes & measures person, most songs are in the blue Hymnal; songs with numbers 2,000+ are in the thin, black Faith We Sing.*

If children are with you, that's wonderful. Jesus loves children and so do we. You might sit near the front so the children can see and hear everything. If you need to leave with your preschooler, an usher can show you to the nursery. For older children there are "busy bags" on a rack at the rear of the worship center.

*Ask an usher about using a **hearing assist device**.*

Beverages are offered in the foyer after worship. Everyone is welcome!!

"Welcoming all people to know, grow, serve and share Jesus Christ."

Prelude

Centering for Worship

from Matthew 16:13-16

Reader: When Jesus came to the area of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples,

Pastor: "Who do people say the Human One is?"

ALL: Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah... or one of the other prophets."

Pastor: "And what about you? Who do you say that I am?"

Reader: Simon Peter said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Pastor: And of you and of me, Jesus inquires: "Who do YOU say Jesus is?"

***Prayer of Forgiveness and Grace** (We'll pray together)

From life's pathways, you have called us to this place, O Lord. Be with us as we listen for your word and seek your ways. Guide our steps and guard our lives that we may serve you more effectively in this broken world. Amen.

***Sing Together**

"Love Lifted Me"

No. 3101

Expression of Life's Joys & Challenges

Call to Prayer

"O Lord, Hear Our Prayer"

No. 2200

Prayers of the People

"The Lord's Prayer"

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Grace Care Card

Please pray for: _____

This person is: Myself Family Member (relationship) _____ Friend/Neighbor

Request is for: Healing Hospice/End of Life Surgery (Date): _____ Hospital: _____

Please pray for: *describe nature of the concern* _____

gumprayer care cards This request is confidential. (Pastor Only)

Name of person requesting : _____

I have direct permission to share this information YES NO

The Early Church

Acts 15:7-17a

Celebration of the 150TH Year for United Methodist Women!!

Young Disciples

Lesson – Pastor Paul

Invitational Song

“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

No. 349

***Story of Peter & Jesus**

Matthew 16:13-20 and then 16:21-23

Reader: Hard statements of Jesus...

ALL: ...challenging each of us.

Sermon

“Peter: From THE Dude... to the Dud (Can you relate?!?!)”

Pastor Paul

Offering Our Service and Our Stuff

Offertory

***Sung Response**

“We Will Follow”

No. 3160

We will follow, we will follow Jesus. We will follow, we will follow him.

We will follow, we will follow Jesus. Wherever he leads us we will follow.

***Prayer of Dedication**

God of great mercy and patience, we have chased after that which we thought would bring joy and fulfillment. Then we found thirst and emptiness.

Lord, we long to return to you; we want and need to invest ourselves in that which lasts and brings joy. May we aim our hunger and thirst your direction, for you are the living water and the persisting bread.

We pray this in Christ’s holy name. Amen.

***Singing the Faith**

“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

No. 2129

***God Sends Us OUT!**

L: Jesus has called you and placed his trust in you.

P: **We go into this world, bearing Jesus’ words of hope and healing.**

L: Reach out to others in compassion.

P: **It is Jesus that I am sent out to see and serve. Amen.**

Announcements: Plans for Living So God can Use Us!

Postlude

Mission Hunger Banquet Today!!

11:45 AM - BenTena Room
Come experience a Global Feast!!
All are welcome!!

Easter Eggstravaganza

April 14, 2019
10:45 AM to 12:30 PM– Fellowship Hall
Sign up in Narthex to host a game!
All are welcome!!

Ministry Opportunities

- **Mission Hunger Banquet** will start @ 11:55 AM in the BenTena Room. **Use the entrance by the elevator.** Come experience a global feast! All are welcome!
- **Grace Lenten Devotional:** Now available at the Connection Center.
- **March/April Upper Rooms are now available in Narthex.** Pick up your Upper Room TODAY!!
- **Sundays:**
 - **Lent Study: Simon Peter GIG** at 8:00 AM– Fireside Room
 - **Children’s Sunday School (Ages 3 - Grade 8)** 10:45 AM. Upper level (Rm # 226-233)
 - **The Wired Word GIG** at 10:45 AM - Fireside Room
 - **Lent Study: Simon Peter GIG** at 10:45 AM - Chapel (9th grade - Adults)
 - **Adult SS Class** at 10:45 AM - Wesley Room
- **Community Lenten Meal & Service** @11:30 AM. Faith Pentecostal Church (across from Menards).
- **Wednesdays:**
 - **Lent Study: Simon Peter GIG** at 1:30 PM– Fireside Room
 - **PIT STOP Meal - 5:30-6:15 PM – BenTena Room**
⇒ **Worship** 6:06-6:30 PM – BenTena Room
 - **GriefShare**–6:15 PM– Fireside Room thru April 17. Contacts Sheryl Larson/ Dorothy DeGroot.
 - **Chancel Choir** 6:35 PM – #214-Choir Room
 - **Lent Study: Simon Peter GIG** at 6:35 PM– Chapel
 - **Bell Choir Set up /Rehearsal** 7:15 PM/7:30 PM – Bell Choir Room
- **Newsletter folding** will be on Tuesday, March 26, @ 10 AM in the Wesley Room. All welcome!!
- **The Table (Free Community Meal):** Thursday, March 28, @ 5:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Open to all. Bring a friend or two for supper. Hope to see you then.
- **Coffee @ Grace: 9:30 AM** on Wednesday, April 3, & Wednesday, April 17. Narthex area.
- **Easter Eggstravaganza:** April 14, @ 10:45 AM to 12:30 PM– Fellowship Hall. All are welcome!
- **Seder Meal:** April 14, @ 5:30 PM- BenTena Rm. **FREE Tickets** available from confirmation youth.

Thank you for the Catch the Spirit givers...

March 24: John & Marlyn Blair, in honor of John’s 91st B-day on March 23!

March 31: This is available—cost is \$60.00 to sponsor.

April 7: O’Clair family, in honor of Vivian Allens 90th Birthday on April 10.

April 14: This is available—cost is \$60.00 to sponsor.

April 21: This is available—cost is \$60.00 to sponsor.

Ministry Opportunities (this space is available for your ministry opportunities) Tear off please

____ I will provide nursery care during worship on:

____ March 31 ____ April 7 ____ April 29 ____ May 5 ____ May 19 ____ May 26 ____ June 2

____ I will provide 1- 9X13 pan of dessert for Pit Stop:

____ March 27 ____ April 3 ____ April 10 ____ April 17 ____ April 24 ____ May 1 ____ May 8

Name: _____ Phone: _____