

- **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23**
9:30 AM Worship– Sanctuary
10:45 AM Sunday School for all ages
2:00 PM PALS Life Skill Class/Meal– BenTena Room
3:00 PM Scouts Court of Honor– Fellowship Hall
- **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24**
11:30 AM Widows Fellowship Group– KFC
5:30 PM Foundation Board Mtg.– Wesley Room
6:30 PM Ad Council Mtg.– Fireside Room
- **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25**
6:45 AM Bible Study– Fireside Room
1:30 PM Central Iowa Testing– Wesley Room
5:30 PM GGT Mtg.– Wesley Room
7:00 PM Troop 123- #B1
- **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26– ASH WEDNESDAY**
8:00 AM to 3:00 PM Weighted Blanket Making– FS Hall
11:30 AM Community Lent Service @ Hope Reformed
12:00 PM to 6:00 PM Hope Haven Meal– Main Kitchen
1:30 PM Lent Study– Fireside Room
5:00 PM to 5:30 PM Imposition of Ashes– Chapel
5:30 PM Pit Stop Potluck– BenTena Room
6:00 PM GriefShare Support Group– Fireside & Wesley R.
6:06 PM Worship– BenTena Room
6:35 PM Chancel Choir Practice– Choir Room
7:00 PM Bell Choir Practice– Bell Choir Room
7:30 PM Explore the Bible- #229 (last session)
- **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27**
10:00 AM Newsletter folding– Wesley Room
5:00 PM The Table– Fellowship Hall
6:00 PM Chair Yoga– Chapel
- **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28**
- **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29**
8:00 AM United Methodist Men Breakfast– Wesley Room
Scout leader meeting then clean rooms.
- **SUNDAY, MARCH 1**
9:30 AM Worship– Sanctuary
10:45 AM Sunday School for all ages

Recorded this week:

- Recorded Worship Attendance: 172
- General Budget Receipts: \$ 3,715.00
- Builder's Club: \$ 35.00
- Other Designated: \$ 925.00

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

Nursery:

February 23: Jessica Herman

March 1: Jessica Herman

Worship Reader:

February 23: Roger Ingledue

March 1: Dennis Spooner

Connection Center:

February 23: Julie & Kurt Schwarck

March 1: Katie & Mitch McCann

Accompanist:

February 23: Sean Pulatie

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Greeters:

February 23:

Dalen & Vickie Heida, Judi Calhoon & Tony Schmidt, Phyllis Sitter, Lorraine Patterson, Dale & Carol Fisher

March 1:

Bob & Judy Rausch, Mabel Tielbur, Ardyth Harris, Frank & Kris Huss, Dan & Paula Harris

Pit Stop Menu 2/26/20: Serving begins @ 5:30 PM

Pot Luck bring a dish to share!!

Catch the Spirit Broadcast on KICD:

Sundays @ 9:07 AM

SMU Airing of Previous Sunday Worship:

Wednesdays @ 7:00 PM

Thursdays @ 10:00 AM



Grace United Methodist Church- Spencer, Iowa

www.spencergumc.com - (712) 262-5970

Pastor: Rev. Paul Frederiksen

Ministers - Everyone

February 23, 2020

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

Our Worship Context

Exodus 24:12 - 18

***Sing Together**

“Holy Ground”

No. 2272

***Prayer** (we'll pray together)

Holy God, you invited Moses to the mountain... to wait.

In faith and anticipation, he waited – six days! - and you did not disappoint.

You told your people below... to wait.

They could not see you;

their faith wavered and, finally, they could wait no longer.

We are people of immediate gratification.

But now, here, we wait, yearning for your Presence, your Power. Amen.

***Singing of Our Great God**

“O Worship the King”

No. 73

Hopes and Dreams... for Neighbors, Strangers and Self

Call to Prayer

“Lord Jesus Christ, Your Light Shines”

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.

Act of Praise

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

Chancel Choir

Eye-witness Account

2 Peter 1:16 - 21

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

A Lesson for Young Disciples

Invitational Song

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

(refrain only) No. 2173

Sermon

“Lord, it is good for us to be here...”

based on Matthew 17:1 - 9

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of God’s Pardon (Exodus 24, Matthew 17)

L: Though we want to walk with Moses and see God’s holy radiance,

**P: we hide in the mist of our own desires,
unable to perceive the presence of God’s grace.**

L: While we want a world of justice and peace,

P: we walk in clouds of selfishness, unable to share God’s loving-kindness.

L: Though we want to follow Jesus up the mountain,

P: we cower in fear, unable to bear the light of God.

L: In the blazing light of God’s grace, Jesus touches us to say,
“Get up and do not be afraid.” In the name of Christ, all is forgiven.

ALL: Praise be to God!

Offering

Offertory

***Sung Response**

“Since Jesus Came Into My Heart”

(refrain only) No. 2140

*Prayer of Dedication (unison)

**God of majestic glory, may your goodness and caring be affirmed in the gifts we
give, and as worship comes to an end, may we hear Jesus’ voice sending us out
into the mission field, and may we listen and go. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.**

*Singing the Faith

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

(vss. 1, 2, 5) No. 139

*God Sends Us OUT!

L: See the light of Christ in every face.

BE the light of Christ in every place.

**All: Let the light of Christ shine through me into both darkness and joy.
May it be so!**

Announcements: Plans for Living So God can Use Us!

Postlude

God uses money as a tool to help us grow.

*“Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life
does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” (Luke 12:15)*

Ministry Opportunities

DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES/ SMALL GROUPS

SUNDAYS:

10:45 am Children (age 3 to grade 6) - Starting in Room 226

10:45 AM Live in Grace-Walk in Love– Chapel; Youth (7-12) & Adults

10:45 AM The Wired Word - Fireside Room

10:45 AM Unafraid - Wesley Room

10:45 AM Exploring the Bible, Old Testament- #229

10:45 AM Lent Study, The Walk (Starts March 1)

TUESDAYS:

10:00 AM Lent Study, The Walk - Fireside Room (starts March 3)

5:15 PM Lent Study, The Walk - Fireside Room (starts March 3)

WEDNESDAYS:

10:35AM Lent Study, The Walk - Fireside Room (starts March 4)

1:30 PM Lent Study, The Walk - Fireside Room (starts February 26)

4:15 PM Lent Study, The Walk - Room 229 (starts March 4)

7:30 PM Exploring the Bible, Old Testament- #229

- **Grace will be using Adam Hamilton’s The Walk** during Lent for small group study. Sign up in the Narthex by TODAY! Classes start the week of March 1st. Read first chapter before the first class..
- **Grace Lent Devotional booklet will be available in the Narthex TODAY!!**
- **Newsletter folding** in at 10 AM, Thursday, February 27, Wesley Room. All are welcome!
- **Thursday, February 27;** The Table Free Community Meal. Please invite someone you know who would like a great homemade meal to join you for supper. We will have it ready. All are welcome.
- **GriefShare Support Group**– Now through April 15. 6-7:30 PM, Fireside Room. Book cost \$20. Scholarships are available.
- **The March/April Upper Rooms & The Daily Bread** are now available in the Narthex.

Ash Wednesday, February 26:

Community Lenten Lunch begins at 11:30 AM @ Hope Reformed Church

Community Lenten Service begins at 12:20 PM to 1 PM @ Hope Reformed Church

5:00 to 5:30 PM Imposition of Ashes – GUMC Chapel

5:30 to 6:15 PM Pit Stop Potluck (bring a dish to share) – BenTena Room

6:06 to 6:35 PM Ash Wednesday Worship – BenTena Room

Thank you for the Catch the Spirit givers...

February 23: Anonymous donor.

March 1: Dianne Binder, in memory of her mother, Wanda Eninger.

March 8: Dianne Binder, in memory of her late husband, Randy Binder