

- **SUNDAY, MARCH 15— NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**  
8:45 AM Blood Pressure Checks— Library  
9:30 AM Worship— Sanctuary  
10:35 AM Blood Pressure Checks— Library  
10:45 AM Sunday School for all ages
- **MONDAY, MARCH 16**  
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM Quilters— Room 227  
10:00 AM UMW (Spring Tea Mtg)- Library  
1:30 PM Central Iowa Detention Testing— Wesley Room  
3:30 PM Sunset Apartment Program  
6:00 PM ADT— Wesley Room
- **TUESDAY, MARCH 17**  
6:45 AM Bible Study— Fireside Room  
5:30 PM Lent Study— Fireside Room  
5:00 PM Hope Haven Youth— Youth Room  
7:00 PM Troop 123- #B1
- **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18**  
9:30 AM Coffee @ Grace— Narthex  
11:30 AM Community Lent Service @ Hope Reformed  
1:30 PM Lent Study— Fireside Room  
3:30 PM Jump Start bag packing— B38  
4:15 PM Lent Study— Room 229  
5:30 PM Pit Stop — 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
- **THURSDAY, MARCH 19**  
9:30 AM Lydia Circle— Wesley Room  
9:30 AM Ruth Circle— Fireside Room  
1:30 PM Mary Circle— Fireside Room  
3:30 PM Jump Start bag delivery— Head Start  
6:00 PM Chair Yoga— Chapel
- **FRIDAY, MARCH 20**
- **SATURDAY, MARCH 21**  
8:00 AM Methodist Men Breakfast Meeting— Wesley Room  
4:30 PM Thundercloud District Dinner— BenTena Room
- **SUNDAY, MARCH 22**  
9:30 AM Worship— Sanctuary  
10:45 AM Sunday School for all ages

**Recorded this week:**

- Recorded Worship Attendance: 156
- Ministry Funding Plan Receipts: \$4,901.00
- Builder's Club: \$385.00
- Other Designated: \$ 3,699.57

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

<b>Nursery:</b> <b>March 15:</b> Jessica Herman
<b>Worship Reader:</b> <b>March 15:</b> Veronica Studer <b>March 22:</b> Roger Ingledue
<b>Connection Center:</b> <b>March 15:</b> Val Watters <b>March 22:</b> Heidi & Ben O'Clair
<b>Accompanist:</b> <b>March 15:</b> Tom Fuchsen <b>March 22:</b> Sean Pulatie
<b>Greeters:</b> <b>March 15:</b> John & Mavis Olson, Rick & Connie Geidl, Terry & Ruby Peterson, John & Carole Lea Cotton <b>March 22:</b> Chuck & Jeri Elliott, Pete & Jackie Petersen, Janna Dirks, Vada Calhoon, Dennis VanVickle, Kevin Tlam
<b>Pit Stop Menu 3/18/20: Serving begins @ 5:30 PM</b> Soup, Assorted Sides, Dessert

**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](http://www.spencergumc.com) - (712) 262-5970  
Pastor: Rev. Paul Frederiksen  
**Ministers - Everyone**  
**Disciplines of the Spiritual Life: Serve**

**March 15, 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**

**Context of Worship** Serving Others Begins with Listening!

**\*Prayer** (praying together)  
**Generous God, you have given to each of us gifts well-suited. Men and women, boys and girls, the tall and the small, each of us called to serve the purpose of God's kingdom. Using our respective gifts, stir us to worship and witness to all, through deed and through word, the living Christ. Amen.**

**\*Sing Together** No. 530  
"Are Ye Able"

**Hopes and Dreams... for Neighbors, Strangers and Self**  
Call to Prayer "God Can Do Anything But Fail"

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.*

**A Lesson for Young Disciples** Mavis Olson  
Invitational Song "Lord I Lift Your Name on High" No. 2088

**Act of Praise** "Here I Am" No 2178

**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

## Bible Readings

Isaiah 1:11-13 & 16-17

### \*A Story of Jesus

Matthew 20:29-34

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

### Sermon

“What Do You Want Me To Do For You?” *{Then? Listen!}*

Pastor Paul

### Prayer of Confession and Pardon

(Hymnal No. 891, CE)

### Offering

#### Offertory

#### \*Sung Response

“*Freely, Freely*”

(Refrain only) No. 389

#### \*Prayer of Dedication (unison)

**Almighty God, you gave us your commandments and asked us to live according to your holy will. As part of your design for holy living, we participate in this simple act of giving. We dedicate ourselves to living lives of honesty, service and peace. Amen.**

### \*Singing the Faith

“*Whatever You Do*”

vss. 1,2,5

### \*God Sends Us OUT!

L: All that we sing with our lips,

**All: May we believe in our heart.**

L: All that we believe in our hearts,

**All: May we practice with our lives.**

L: May the grace of the God who creates, redeems and sustains be ever with you, and may you be aware of God’s presence. **Amen.**

**Announcements:** Plans for Living So God can Use Us!

### Postlude

**“Let us not become weary in doing good, for the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.” Galatians 6:9**

Just as athletes, musicians, educators, students, parents, etc., never cease trying to grow, so we are called to improve as we know, grow, serve and share Jesus Christ.

## Ministry Opportunities

### DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES/ SMALL GROUPS

#### SUNDAYS:

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

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

10:45 AM Lent Study, The Walk– Wesley Room, facilitator Lou Reed

10:45 AM Lent Study, The Walk-#229, facilitator Pastor Paul

#### TUESDAYS:

5:30 PM Lent Study, The Walk - Fireside Room

#### WEDNESDAYS:

1:30 PM Lent Study, The Walk - Fireside Room

4:15 PM Lent Study, The Walk - Room 229

- **Foundation Disbursement applications are available.** Due back into the church office by April 12. Questions please contact Pastor Paul Frederiksen.
- **Quilters:** Mondays, 9-3 PM. You are welcome to bring a sack lunch and help with quilts for the Thanksgiving Ingathering. Come when you can leave when you must.
- **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 available in the Narthex.
- **Community Lenten Lunch/Service** Wednesdays, at 11:30 AM @ Hope Reformed Church.
- **Newsletter Articles** due: **TODAY**, (15th) to kayclancy@spencergumc.com for April’s Newsletter.
- **The Table Free Community Meal**– Thursday, March 26, 5-6 PM. All are welcome.
- **Redemption Mime**– Sunday, March 29, 7 PM. Doors open at 6:30 PM. FREE. All are welcome.
- **Saturday, April 4– Easter Eggstravaganza:** 11 AM to 12:30 PM– Fellowship Hall. (Egg hunt, bounce house, crafts, games, etc.) All are welcome!! Volunteers needed to help with games. Also, wrapped candy is needed for the Egg Hunt on April 4. Sign up in the Narthex.
- **Grace Church is hosting a Common Sense Parenting Class.** Please sign up for ways you may be able to help. We are looking for Nursery attendants & Meals for the families attending. **Classes are Thursdays 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM, April 2 through May 14.**
- **If you’d like a magnetic name tag**, sign up at the connection Center. The next order will be placed after April 5.

### Thank you for the Catch the Spirit givers...

**March 15:** Bob & Delores Barringer in honor of their 69th Wedding Anniversary on March 17!

**March 22:** Eileen Momsen in memory of her husband, Don’s Birthday which would have been 3/22.

**March 29:** This is available– cost is \$60.00 to sponsor.