# Living in Grace



# The Grace Greeter

**Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church** 

Grace Lutheran Church 2225 Washington Street Lincoln, NE 68502

January 27, 2015

# Burning of the Palms

Lesher Lounge Sunday, February 15

Join our Sunday School children immediately following worship for the brief liturgy of the Burning of the Palms in preparation for Ash Wednesday.



Worship with the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion Wednesday, February 18

Dinner will be served starting at 5:30 PM Worship Service - 6:30 PM

The optional imposition of ashes for those who desire it will be offered. Ashes in both Jewish and Christian traditions are a sign of mortality, repentance and sorrow for sin. Join us as we gather around the font and remember the power of baptism.

## **Pastor's Prayers**

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Dear Friends in Christ,

This month I am asking you to read and pray a prayer about transition. I first read this prayer some years ago from the Lutheran Book of Worship (our beloved 'green' hymnal from 1978.) Later, when I began to serve in Interim Ministry, I found this prayer often used for congregations and candidate pastors who are contemplating changes.

Probably this prayer came to mind because I was thinking about starting 2015, and how we all are hopeful and expectant that a new pastor will be with us before the end of the year. As I was looking for the correct words to the prayer, I found it on a website for a parish in Bedfordshire, England.

The Anglican priest there made these comments about it: "It suggests that each of us is called by God to be a pioneer - forging our own unique path as we discover and develop our God-given nature and talents. For some the path may be relatively straightforward; for others it may bring pain and struggle. But we all need faith and courage as we travel into the unknown future: perhaps we could take this prayer with us on our journey?"

Those priestly words seem perfectly fitting for us too as we take this prayer along on our journey! I would add to these comments by saying, in addition to being called individually to forge a pathway, we also are called as a congregation to journey together into the future. As a congregation, we have shared the past, with its ups and downs, all of which forms the experience of the whole community of faith.

Now we share the future! It will, unsurprisingly, have ups and downs again. As we respond to it in our individual ways, those responses will blend together, joining us and strengthening us as a community.

Please take the time to read the prayer slowly, savoring each line of it. If you can, place it in your Bible or on your refrigerator so you are often reminded of it in the weeks to come. Let it be useful in your spiritual life so you may turn over to God whatever is coming in this year ahead.

Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown.

Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us be a community eager to support our Call Committee and Council in their discernment and deliberations over candidates. Let us pray for unknown candidates who feel the stirring of the Holy Spirit. Let us pray for ourselves to be ready to welcome a new pastoral leader.

Blessings and prayers, Pastor Sylvia



**Ill or Hospitalized:** Bonnie Ahrens, Ann Gebhard, Jolene Hokansen, Delores Sorensen, Judi Schroeder, Claire Baumann

**Death and Funeral:** Our Christian sympathy is expressed to the Russell D. Brehm (age 93) family upon his death on Tuesday, January 20th. Mr. Brehm was a long-time member of Grace Lutheran as well as a very involved Lincoln businessman and philanthropist. He lived most recently at The Landing. His funeral service was held at Butherus Maser & Love with Pr. Bob officiating on Saturday, January 24th with interment in Wyuka Cemetery. God bless his memory to all who knew and loved him.

Bulletins have been shared by: Phyllis Narveson [Good Shepherd Lutheran, Decorah, IA]

The deadline for the next Greeter will be February 20th. It will be mailed on Tuesday, February 24.

**Pastor Sylvia is available by cell phone at 308-995-7161**. If you have any pastoral care emergency, please do not hesitate to call her. You may text her also. She also likes to meet people, and enjoys visiting over a cup of coffee!

**The Parish Ed committee** is looking for a Sunday School Superintendent and VBS coordinator. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Jan Branting at 435-0401.

#### Call Committee Update...

After completing our training and mock interview, the Call Committee is ready to begin the search for the next Senior Pastor of Grace Lutheran Church. The Nebraska Synod staff has provided the profiles of three pastoral candidates who would like to be considered for Grace. The committee is reviewing these documents and has scheduled an initial interview with each Pastor. Depending upon the outcome of those interviews, the committee will determine if we will proceed any further with them. Please keep this committee and our Pastors in your thoughts and prayers. Thank you!

Curtis Mann, Chair



#### Adult Study Forum time for the next month looks like this:

January 25th: Semi-annual reporting meeting of the congregation February 1st: Pastor Sylvia and Lynn presentation (all-congregational) February 8th: Guest Q125 pastor, Rev. Paul Hoffman (all-congregational) February 15th: Guest Betty Heier, chairperson of the NE Synod Candidacy Program (program to become a seminarian and the journey heading to ordained ministry), all-congregational.

February 22nd: To be announced.

# Living in Grace

# The Guest Preacher Series: Celebrating our Congregation's Liturgical Heritage February 2015



**Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church** 

The Quasquicentennial Committee cordially invites you to the second installment of the Guest Preacher Series! Pastor Paul Hoffman will be returning to Grace to preach during services on February 7 & 8!

Paul Hoffman first arrived at Grace Lutheran when he began his service as our vicar at the beginning of August, 1980. just a few days before the internship ended in July of 1981, he and his wife, Donna, celebrated the birth of their first child, Jacob.

Pastor Hoffman returned to Grace in January of 1982, just after his ordination, to begin two and a half years of service as Associate Pastor to Pastor Stan Ecklund. In each of these stays at Grace, Donna served as director of KEY Choir, a newly-established after-school elementary choir ministry. Lauren was born during this time, making their family of four complete.

In the summer of 1984, at the suggestion of Bishop Dennis Anderson, the Hoffmans moved to a north suburb of Dallas, Texas where Pastor Hoffman began a new ministry of mission development for Christ the Servant Lutheran Church.

Pastor Hoffman returned to Nebraska in January of 1989 to begin service as pastor of Sinai Lutheran Church adjacent to the Midland campus in Fremont. In 1996, he was called to serve as pastor of Phinney Ridge Lutheran Church in Seattle, WA. Pastor Hoffman retired from parish ministry in 2013 and began his current call with the Northwest Washington Synod as a Writer and Teacher for the Larger Church, travelling widely throughout the ELCA.

Donna is currently a reading specialist in the Washington public schools. Jacob (now 33) and Lauren (now 31) both have flourishing artistic careers: Jacob as a musician and Lauren as a writer.

In Pastor Hoffman's own words, he is delighted to return to Grace for this celebration! "It's the place where my pastoral life was grounded, where it was formed, and where it has always found a home. I am profoundly grateful to the congregation of Grace and to Pastor Stan and Jan Ecklund for their generosity and wisdom in forming both my ministry and my faith."

Please plan on attending either (or...both!) of these services to hear Pastor Hoffman's message. In addition, please join us for Fellowship Hour following the February 8 service. There will be no Adult Study Forum that Sunday so that the congregation may catch up with Pastor Hoffman and share memories of Grace!

## **Keep Warm!!**



Travel mugs commemorating our 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary will be available for sale the first two weekends in February! These insulated travel mugs are just the thing to get you through this chilly winter. They keep hot things hot (and, in the summer, cold things cold) for hours and hours. The mugs are \$20 each; proceeds will go toward quasquicentennial activities. The mugs are a very pretty blue, with the Living in Grace logo in white.



The Quasquicentennial Committee thanks the congregation for making the first installment of the Guest Preacher Series such a phenomenal success!! The time with Pastor Jacobson and his family was fun, reflective and uplifting. What a way to usher in our 125th anniversary year!!





A men's ministry is beginning. Please come to an organizational meeting in the Chapel, on Sunday, February 1, 15 minutes after worship. It will be a short introductory meeting to gather ideas for what a men's ministry can be and what it can mean to our church.

A new liturgical readings study will begin on Sunday, February 1 from 8:15 to 8:50 am. We will meet before church begins in the conference room. We will look at and discuss the day's readings. Hopefully this will help with making the service more enlightening.

**THRIVENT MEMBERS will meet on February 1**<sup>st</sup> in the Staff Conference Room at 10:30 a.m. Bring your cup of coffee and join us. All are welcome. Our members will again provide the Lenten Supper on Ash Wednesday so we will be doing some meal planning. There will be other news to discuss, and as always, fellowship.

**WOMEN of the ELCA** – the February Unit Meeting will be held at noon on Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> for lunch, a program and business meeting. Jamie Connell, who has been a teacher in Alaska for the past six years will provide the program. Jamie, granddaughter of Bonnie Krueger, has returned to Nebraska to further her education. Group I will host the luncheon. Arlene Reighard will give devotions. Group members will be called for reservations, others may call the church office.

If you are 55 years or older, come join us at Yesterday's Youth, Wednesday February 11 at 11:30. We meet the second Wednesday of each month in Lesher Hall. From 11:30 to 12:00, we meet for some social time. We eat at 12:00 after which we have devotions and a program. The meal is pot luck, so bring your own table service and a side dish to share, drinks will be furnished. Our program will be "Memories," a DVD of Shirley Temple.

#### The Lincoln Opera Project presents....

An evening of One-Act Operas
Featuring:
Wilder's "Sunday Excursion"
Barber's "A Hand of Bridge"
Schickele's "The Stoned Guest"

January 31, 7:30 PM—in the Fellowship Hall at Grace Free admission—donations greatly appreciated!

#### COME TO A "LISTENING" SESSION

As we continue through our transition time, you are invited to a Listening Session, facilitated by Pastor Sylvia. The objective for these get-togethers is to share our thoughts, feelings, and hopes about our interim time.

The process includes taking a few moments to think about and pray about what is on your heart and mind before we start talking. The process used keeps it from becoming a debate, and everyone's opinion is heard. Each session will last about an hour and a half and the group size will be around ten for each meeting.

There will be several opportunities to participate in one of these sessions. They will be held on different days and at varying times of the day to make it easier for people to attend. All sessions will be held at the church.

Call the church office 402-474-1505 to sign up for one of them. Here is the schedule:

Saturday, January 31, 9 a.m.; Sunday, February 8, 3 p.m.; Wednesday, February 11, 5 p.m. Friday, February 13, 7 p.m.; Sunday, February 15, 3 p.m.; Sunday, February 22, 11:30 a.m.

If NONE of these dates works for you, please call the church office, we'll try something else!

Please prayerfully consider coming to one of these – it's a way to be listened to and to listen to others.

#### Lenten dinner menus:

**Ash Wednesday, February 18:** lasagna, tossed salad, garlic bread, and assortment of bars. Served by Thrivent

February 25: several types of soup, crackers, rolls, and dessert. Served by the WELCA executive board

March 4: pulled pork sandwiches, baked beans, coleslaw, and ice cream sundaes. Served by the Grace men

Free will offering (suggested \$5.00 adults; \$3.00 children)

#### Betty Heier, member of Synod Staff, to be guest preacher...

On the weekend of February 14 and 15, we will welcome Betty Heier as our guest preacher and she will give a presentation during Fellowship Hour. Here is a brief bio on Betty: "As a lay member of Bishop Maas's staff, I have two titles. The first is *Bishop's Associate for Mobility and Congregational Care*. In this role, I work with the 18 congregations of the Northeast Cluster, primarily assisting them during times of transition and the call process. The second is *Nebraska Synod Candidacy Coordinator*. In this role, I work with the Candidacy Committee and our Nebraska Synod people who are seeking to become rostered leaders in the Church. When I meet with the Adult Forum on February 15, I'll be sharing information about the whole process of Candidacy. My husband, Darrel, and I are members of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Wayne, Nebraska. We are both retired educators. We have two married sons and five grandchildren. We both enjoy traveling, reading, and fishing."

#### **Lounge Renovation Project**

Lesher Lounge moves ever closer to the completion of its renovation. Yet, we need the support of the congregation to finish this 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary project! While the structural portion of the renovation has been completed, the furnishing of the lounge still needs to be funded. The Lounge Committee (Fran Gade, Roger Potts, Dave Ripa, Tricia Rosno) has already received a most generous gift from the Grace Foundation towards this project. However, an additional \$15,000 is needed. Please give prayerful consideration to supporting this effort, so that our lounge may be an area of Grace that people will be excited to use for many events in years to come! Donations designated as 'Lesher Lounge Renovation' may be placed in the offering plate during worship or sent to the church office.



The color scheme for the lounge furnishings... Grey, tan and green (like the inside of a lime)

The new projector and screen! A huge thanks to Craig Potts for installing, with the help of his dad, and for donating his labor costs!





The new carpet is all in place and the new tile on the fireplace hearth is completed. It is a cream color to better match the new décor).

#### Grace History -

During Pastor Benson's time at Grace, Lesher Hall was built and dedicated on Sunday, May 4, 1969. This addition provided needed space for large gatherings and Sunday School activities. Before Lesher Hall was built, in the basement, where the sewing room, the old choir room and Sunday School rooms are currently located, it was one big room. The kitchen was located where Robert's apartment is now. Property to the east was acquired for parking space. A pipe organ was installed in the nave balcony and dedicated on June 8, 1969. It was always said Pastor Benson had a tough job with former Pastor Lesher still around. Pastor Benson and family lived at 4065 Woods Blvd., which is a few blocks north of Hwy 2. One Sunday morning with heavy snow falling, it was unheard of to call church off. Pastor Benson walked to 27<sup>th</sup> and Woods Blvd. and hitched a ride with a city snow plow up 27<sup>th</sup> to Washington Street. He got out and walked to the rest of the way to church. Not many people made it that morning because of the weather. Pastor Benson had to borrow a pair of reading glasses from the only usher so he could read. Mrs. Benson had a job outside of the home. One of the members heard that Mrs. Benson did laundry at home on Sunday afternoons. She let the Pastor know she didn't think it was right for a Pastor's wife to work on the Sabbath. How times have changed.

The Reverend Roy Benson announced on September 13, 1977 that he would resign as pastor on March 31, 1978 after 13 years of service. There were many events and improvements to Grace Lutheran to his credit. He and his wife would retire in Longmont, Colorado. The Reverend T.J.C. Schuldt would fill in until the Reverend Stanley G. Ecklund would be installed on August 6, 1978. Pastor Ecklund and his wife Jan have four children Steve, Lisa, Jim and Mary. They came from Grace Church in Fort Dodge, Iowa. Pastor Ecklund was born in Valparaiso, Nebraska and graduated from Mead High School. He earned his A.B. Degree in 1949 from Midland College in Fremont. He earned his B.D. Degree in 1954 from Central Lutheran Theological Seminary in Fremont. Pastor Ecklund's roommate was Robert Lesher, son of Pastor Leland Lesher. He was ordained in 1954 at St. Paul's in Davenport, Iowa. During his pastorate he introduced new programs, ideas, and activities to create increased interest in the physical and spiritual growth at our church.

Just a quick review. Pastor Ludden got the church going in 1889 and served for 13 years. He was followed by Pastor Ball, Pastor Sherck and Pastor Lewis each for 2 years. Pastors Bergstresser and Pastor Bream each served 4 years. Pastor Rubrecht served 11 years. Pastor Delo served 1 year. Pastor Lesher served the longest at 25 years. Pastor Benson served 13 years. Pastor Ecklund served for 9 years from 1978 to 1987.

For those who use gluten-free wafers: In our effort to be sensitive to those who use gluten-free wafers, we are asking you to tell the distributor and he/she will have the acolyte bring to the communion railing a container with gluten-free wafers from which you may take your own wafer. In this way, no one handles them, nor do they come in contact with wheat-containing bread. We are also being very careful not to touch those wafers "behind the scenes" when they are being stored and being prepared for worship. Please do not hesitate to ask for the gluten-free wafers if that is your preference.



Grace was responsible for supplying food for the evening meal at The Gathering Place twice during the last month of 2014, and it could have been called "déjà vu December". Because there was a large pan of pasta left after the December 15 meal, the menu was essentially duplicated on December 29. Regina and Steve Paschold prepared the pasta bake and the corn. Carla Ingersoll donated the tossed lettuce salad, and salad dressing was contributed by Pastor Bob and Darlene Rademacher. Dean Dumler and Beth Kimmerling Dumler supplied bread. On December 15, when 105 portions were distributed, dessert treats were provided by Betty Shaw and Joy Kokes. Joy, Regina, Steve, Carla, Pastor

Bob, Ginny and Roger Potts, and Donna Hansen and Phil Sorensen helped to serve and to clean up on that date. On December 29, Boy Scouts from Troop 30 brought a variety of dessert goodies, and 10 of the Scouts, leaders and adults helped to serve 107 portions and to clean up afterward. Carla Ingersoll, Joy Kokes, and Regina and Steve Paschold coordinated the activities on that evening. Special thanks go to Nora Johnson, Norma Bryant, Ken Johnson, and Circle 2 of Grace's Women of the ELCA for recent financial donations..

At The Gathering Place lately there is what might be termed "the good news and the bad news". The good news is that the average number of people who eat at the soup kitchen is down over the past few months, compared to earlier in 2014. But the bad news is that there are still many who take advantage of the food that is offered. On January 19, 112 portions were distributed. From some leftover and donated items, Regina and Steve Paschold prepared the pork roast with quinoa pilaf. The menu also included green beans, bread, and bananas. Desserts were donated by Ginny and Roger Potts, Helen and Don Carnes, Pat Lickei, Joy Kokes, and Regina and Steve. All of those individuals mentioned above helped to serve and to clean up afterward.



#### **Greeters for coming Sundays:**

February 1 Helen and Don Carnes; Karen and Mark Billings February 8 Bonnie and Glenn Drohman; Kathie Remington February 15 Yvonne Nielsen and Betty Shaw; Phyllis Krueger February 22 Donna Hansen and Phil Sorensen; Joyce Krueger

Serving as greeters is an excellent way to get better acquainted with people in the congregation; please contact Jeannette Allen (402-420-9422) if you might be

willing to assist in this.

At church one Sunday, I noticed a woman carrying a Bible neatly wrapped in colorful ribbon, like a package. My first thought was that she must be giving it to someone as a present.

Throughout the next few weeks, however, I realized that was the woman's own well-used Bible. Whenever a worship service or Bible study ended, she carefully rewrapped the Scriptures with that shimmery strand.

What a great reminder that God's Word is a precious, practical gift meant to be opened and reopened regularly. -Stephanie Martin

#### **Grace Lutheran Church December Council Meeting**—12-08-2014

Present: Steve Paschold, Roger Potts, Connie Whyrick, Pastor Sylvia, Pastor Doug, Terry Branting, Dave Ripa,

Lynn Chamberlin, Jeanne Weisbrook, Margaret Gipson, Jacob Krueger and Fran Gade

Absent: Lois Schuerman (excused)

President Fran G. called the Council meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Margaret Gipson and Jacob Krueger provided the opening devotions and prayer.

The November 2014 Council meeting minutes were presented. Roger P. made a motion to approve and file the minutes after modifying the heading date from October to November. Seconded by Dave R. Motion carried.

#### **Correspondence:**

- A letter of Transfer was received from Grace Lutheran Church Walton regarding Kathy and Lowell Provancha.
- Pastor Sylvia presented a card received from Joy Kokes that included a \$100 check provided in memory of Gail Moss. Dave R. moved that the \$100 be included in the Q-125 Hymn Commissioning Fund. Seconded by Margaret G. Motion carried.
- The email from Firespring confirming the termination our contract with their organization as of December 31, 2014 was provided for review.
- A letter from Janet Jodais was received gifting \$25,000 in investment funds to Grace Lutheran Church to be used at the Council's discretion. There was some discussion regarding the possibility of using the funds to establish a Council endowment fund. It was decided to defer the decision regarding the use of the funds to the new Council. Steve P. moved that the proceeds from the gift be placed into a budgetary line item titled "Jodias Fund" for later designation. Seconded by Dave R. Motion carried.

#### **Staff Reports:**

**Senior Pastor:** Written report presented. **Visitation Pastor:** Written report presented **Director of Music:** No report presented

Financial Secretary's Report: Written report presented.

Roger P. indicated that he was going to clarify with Jim K. and Neil L. the balance of the window fund which differs from the funding amounts that he had tracked.

Treasurer's Report: Written report presented

Jeanne W. indicated that she had received a reimbursement check covering Stewardship expenses and that amount was not indicated on the report. Jim K. and Neil L. will be asked for clarification.

Dave R. made a motion to accept and file for audit all staff reports. It was seconded by Roger P. Motion carried.

#### **Committee Reports:**

Parish Education: No report.

**Evangelism:** Written reported presented from website sub-committee.

**Property:** Written report presented. **Social Ministry:** Written report presented.

Stewardship: Did not meet.

Youth: Did not meet. Memorials: No report.

Worship and Music: Did not meet.

Mutual Ministry: No report, scheduled to meet in Feb. 2015.

Quasquicentennial Committee: Written report presented.

Dave R. made a motion after all reports were presented to accept and file the committee reports.

Seconded by Jeanne W. Motion carried.

#### **Old Business:**

Budget Watch 2014 – an email had been forwarded earlier in the week to all Council members providing the latest pledge receipts.

Fran G. and Dave R. provided an update on the costs for Lesher Lounge, to date:

a \$5,000 grant had been received from the Foundation,

an additional \$7,000 in a loan has been made available from the Foundation but not used to date.

members of the Committee had been looking at the costs associated with furnishing lounge furniture as well as four (4) tables, thirty (30) chairs and window treatments, and two sound system bids had been received, \$8,900 and \$4,200.

Based on these bids and the costs already incurred it is anticipated that the total cost for the completion of the Lounge update is \$28,000. Dave R. made a motion that the Council approve the Lounge Committee approaching the Foundation to ask them to cover the remaining costs to complete the Lesher Lounge update. Seconded by Jeanne W. Motion carried.

Roger P. also provided the following update information on bid costs that had been received for additional updates being needed in the facility:

The bid for stained glass repair work included:

Immediate repair needed on two (2) balcony windows - \$1,050.00

Repair of the twelve (12) windows that are "bowing" - \$4,290.00

Window protectors, (6) needed - \$4,510.00

TOTAL = \$8,800.00

Still waiting on the bid for the valve work needed on the units in Lesher Lounge

Organ repair work discussed in our previous Council meeting:

Immediate needs - \$26,080.00

Console repairs - \$60,000

Long term conversions/updates - \$100,000

#### **New Business:**

Fran G. reminded everyone that all Committee Reports are due to Sandi on January 12, 2015 for inclusion in the Semi Annual Meeting information.

Pastor Sylvia informed the Council that Adrianne Martin, the Lutheran Center Intern, would be providing assistance for funeral services here at Grace as part of her education.

There was some discussion regarding the bid of \$600.00 received by the Property Committee for one coat of paint on the east and west walls and the lower parts of the columns and pillars. Including one coat for the chancel is an additional \$920.00. They would like to consider completing this work in time for the Q 125. They will consider the costs and provide additional information to the Council in the future.

Fran G. asked if there was any more business to bring before the Church Council and hearing none Dave R. made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Roger P. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, Lynn K. Chamberlin, Secretary



1 Bonnie Krueger

2 Shirleen Hoffman Liam Hughes Trayton Marshall

3 Judy Lambert

7 Sharon Gottsche Birdeen Havlicek Austin McKillip

8 Lexy Bodfield Willie Weisbrook

9 Jeremy Lewis Keith Oetjen Conrad Schroeder

10 Matt Rosno

12 Karen Billings Neil Larson 13 Tim Riemann

14 Bryce Anderson

15 Sondra Block Velma Giles Jackson McCarter Kay Ossian

16 Tricia Rosno

17 Jennifer Johnson

19
Evan Hughes
Cason Marshall
Anne Melang-Thoren
David Schilke
Ardyth Wolfe

20 Kurt Eberspacher Roger Potts Kathie Remington Bob Schnell

21 Darlene Stutheit

22 Devin Billings Matt Knobbe

23 Kara Basler Heim Donna Carnes 24 Dennis Berens

26 Chris Apple

27 Larry Watchorn

28 Pam Zilly



#### Sunday, February 1

9:00 am Worship \* 10:30 am A.S.F., Choir, Sunday School, Thrivent

3:00 pm L.L.C. rehearsal

#### Monday, February 2

9:00 am WELCA Executive Brd. Mtg. 7:00 pm Committee Mtg., Scouts

#### Tuesday, February 3

9:30 am Al-Anon 6:00 pm Scouts 6:30 pm Parish Ed. Cmte 7:00 pm Committee Mtgs. 8:00 pm AA Meeting

#### Wednesday, February 4

12:00 pm WELCA lunch & mtg. 6:00 pm Mutual Ministry Mtg. Cherub Choir 6:20 pm Children's Choir 7:00 pm Bell Choir, Comm. Mental Health Mtg.

#### Thursday, February 5

6:30 am Men's Bible Study 9:00 am Quilting\Sewing 9:00 am Lincoln Literacy 6:30 pm Basketball 7:00 pm Bells, N. A. Mtg., At Ease,

#### Friday, February 6

4:00 pm Suzuki music lessons 5:00 pm YWCA Respite care, gym

#### Saturday, February 7

5:30 pm Worship

#### Sunday, February 8

9:00 am Worship \* 10:30 am A.S.F., Choir, Sunday School, 3:00 pm Listening session with Pr Sylvia 1:00 pm WELCA #1 Mtg.

#### Monday, February 9

1:00 pm WELCA #2 Mtg. 7:00 pm Scouts

#### **Tuesday, February 10**

9:30 am Al-Anon 6:00 pm Scouts 7:00 pm Council, W.R.T. Mtg. 7:30 pm WELCA #6 8:00 pm AA Meeting

#### Wednesday, February 11

11:30 am Yesterday's Youth 5:00 pm Listening session with Pr Sylvia hunger lock in begins 6:00 pm Cherub Choir 6:20 pm Children's Choir 7:00 pm Bell Choir, Comm. Mental Health Mtg.

#### Thursday, February 12

6:30 am Men's Bible Study 9:00 am Quilting\Sewing 9:00 am Lincoln Literacy 6:30 pm Basketball 7:00 pm Bells, N. A. Mtg.

#### Friday, February 13

5:00 pm YWCA Respite care—gym

#### Saturday, February 14

1:00 pm Lounge reserved 5:30 pm Worship

#### Sunday, February 15

9:00 am Worship \* 10:30 am Sunday School , A.S.F., Choir 3:00 pm Listening session with Pr Sylvia 6:30 pm Worship 3:00 pm L.L.C. rehearsal

#### Monday, February 16

5:00 pm Gathering Place 6:30 pm Memorials Cmte. Mtg. 7:00 pm Scouts

#### Tuesday, February 17

9:30 am Al-Anon 6:00 pm Scouts 8:00 pm AA Meeting

### Wednesday, February 18

# Ash Wednesday 5:30 pm Lent supper

6:00 pm Children's Choir

6:30 pm Worship

7:00 pm Comm. Mental Health Mtg.

#### Thursday, February 19

6:30 am Men's Bible Study 9:00 am Quilting, Lincoln Literacy 6:30 pm Basketball 7:00 pm Bells, N. A. Mtg

#### Friday, February 20

#### **Greeter deadline**

5:00 pm Lesher Hall reserved, Youth

#### Saturday, February 21

5:30 pm Worship

#### Sunday, February 22

9:00 am Worship \* 10:30 am ASF, Choir, Sunday School 1:00 pm Lounge reserved 3:00 pm L.L.C. rehearsal 5:00 pm Chapel reserved for a recital

#### Monday, February 23

7:00 pm Scouts

## Tuesday, February 24

Greeter

9:30 am Al-Anon 8:00 pm AA Meeting

#### Wednesday, February 25

5:30 pm Lent supper 6:00 pm Children's Choir 7:00 pm Comm. Mental Health Mtg.

#### Thursday, February 26

6:30 am Men's Bible Study 9:00 am Quilting, Lincoln Literacy 6:30 pm Basketball 7:00 pm Bells, N. A. Mtg

#### Friday, February 27

4:00 pm Scouts Blue\Gold banquet

#### Saturday, February 28

5:30 pm Worship

\*child care provided

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Please keep all these servant leaders in your prayers.

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