



The Grace Greeter

Grace Lutheran Church 2225 Washington Street Lincoln, NE 68502

January 26, 2016

Burning of the Palms

Leshner Lounge
Sunday, February 7

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 10

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.



Wet, Claimed and Called

Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism?

This is the question asked of us during the Affirmation of Baptism service. It is a question that gets us thinking about our own baptism. Our baptism is not a onetime “get into heaven” ticket that is punched at our birth and then forgotten. It is rather a “get into life” ticket that we use every day because every day is an opportunity to glorify God and edify our faith. The God who claims us at baptism is also the God who calls us to be holy in our in our ordinary lives. So how is this accomplished?

The question continues with a holy to-do list. A list that will glorify God and edify our faith. The list reads:

- to live among God’s faithful people,
- to hear the word of God and share in the Lord’s supper,
- to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
- to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
- to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

These are the opportunities that baptism gives to us. These opportunities are fulfilled in our life together as the church. Church is the playground where we are given opportunities to use our baptisms in a variety of ways. These opportunities in church will then spill over into our secular lives as well.

So this Lent we will explore each aspect of our baptismal opportunities. Each week we hear a reflection from myself and then you will be asked to capture the theme in a word or image. Those words or images will posted as we mark our baptismal journey during this season of Lent.

So come and reclaim your baptism!

In Christ,

Pr. Eric Lesher



Baptism on January 10: Haidyn Marie Haumont, daughter of Mandi and Robert Haumont. Haidyn was born on November 6 and is also the grand daughter of Kathy Zimmerman.

PLEASE CONTACT US! HIPPA laws do not allow the hospital to notify the church if there is a member in the hospital. The patient or a family member must contact the church office so we can schedule a visit while you are in the hospital here in Lincoln or Omaha. During office hours, call 402-474-1505 or email office@egrace.org to let us know. Thank you!

To contact Pastor Eric after office hours, you can call or text him at 308-708-1146 or email pr.eric@egrace.org.

The deadline for the next Greeter will be February 20th. It will be mailed on Tuesday, February 23.

Bulletins have been shared by: Art & Bev Hillman, Doug, Sarah, Jacob & Elizabeth Krueger [Grace Lutheran Church, Apple Vally, MN; Darlene Stutheit [Southwood Lutheran, Lincoln] Connie Whyrick [Edensburg Lutheran Church, Malmo, NE] Doug & Sarah Krueger [The Lutheran Center, Lincoln]

From the Memorials Committee:

The paper cart in the Sunday School office was purchased using funds from the Delores Sorensen memorial.

The new Christmas Paraments were purchased using funds from the Aldyth Paschold memorial.



Ashes

On Ash Wednesday, as Lent begins, worshipers' foreheads are often marked with ashes in the sign of the cross. The ashes traditionally come from burning palm branches from the previous Palm Sunday. In Old Testament days, ashes were a sign of mourning and repentance. Today, some worshipers wipe off the ashes before leaving church, to symbolize being cleansed from sin by Jesus' death; others wear the ashes the rest of the day, carrying the cross of Christ into the world. The speaking of Genesis 3:19 often accompanies the placement of ashes: "You are dust, and to dust you shall return."



FEBRUARY

- Thrivent Financial Members - the next meeting will be held on Sunday, Feb. 7th, 10:30 a.m. In the staff conference room. An action team is scheduled to host the Ash Wednesday Lenten dinner. Menu: pork loin roast, scalloped potatoes, green beans, gelatin salad, and assorted cakes. Cost is a free-will offering. Everyone – please join us for a delicious supper prior to the Ash Wednesday worship service.
- Women of the ELCA – join us for lunch on Wednesday, February 3rd at noon with Group 6 hosting. Beth Kimmerling Dumler will give devotions. The program will be given by the Executive Director of The Lighthouse. Join us for a delicious lunch and an interesting program. You will learn more about the activities available at the Lighthouse as well as more about the large decorated light bulbs that were on display around the city.
- If you are 55 years or older, come join us at Yesterday's Youth, Wednesday, February 10th at 11:30 . We meet the second Wednesday of each month in Leshar 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 a dish to share and your table service. Drinks are furnished. The program will be a video "Be Thou my Vision". Every one bring an unsigned Valentine for someone, be inventive.
- Attention Parents: Are your children getting in the way of your love life? The youth are offering to watch them on February 14th from 11:30 to 2:30 so that you can celebrate.

Lenten dinner menus:

Ash Wednesday, February 10th

Pork loin roast, scalloped potatoes, green beans, gelatin salad, assorted cakes

February 17th

Chili, cinnamon rolls, veggies, cake

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

Sampling Stewardship

Stewardship is a way of life: a mindset, a culture and a discipline. Everything we have is not ours but God's. It is merely entrusted to us so that we can serve and love God and our neighbor.

Clarence Stoughton, former president of Wittenberg University, puts it this way: "Stewardship is everything we do after we say, "I believe." Stewardship is about love.

Adapted from the ELCA publication "Stewards of God's Love"



At The Gathering Place on December 21 the menu included lasagna left from a meal in November. Regina and Steve Paschold coordinated the preparation and serving of 121 portions. There also was tossed lettuce salad, bread, applesauce, and dessert treats contributed by Joy Kokes, Dennis Madison, Helen and Don Carnes, Charlyne Berens, and Regina and Steve. Helping to serve and to clean up were the individuals mentioned above, along with Tom Range and Pastor Eric Leshner. Special thanks go to Lois Schuerman and to Group 2 members of Grace's Women of the ELCA for their financial gifts.

Turkey noodle soup was popular with most who came in from the cold and ate at The Gathering Place on January 18. Thanks to the Givens family and to Yesterday's Youth for donated turkey, Regina and Steve Paschold were able to make a very meaty main course. Carla Ingersoll brought lettuce, and there were bananas and crackers, along with cake and brownies from Ginny and Roger Potts, Joy Kokes and Dennis Madison. In Grace's freezer anonymous elves had left Christmas cookies, which were labeled for The Gathering Place. Thanks go to them. A total of 101 portions were gobbled down, and those helping to serve and to clean up were Carla, Dennis, Joy, Ginny and Roger, Regina and Steve, and Barb Smith.

An early start to spring cleaning

Although Lent starts early this year, before spring appears in many areas, it's an appropriate time for spring cleaning. Indeed, *Lent* comes from old German and English words for "spring." So, while it might be too soon to open windows or hang clothes on the line, now is ideal for some *spiritual* spring cleaning.

Lent calls us to examine our beliefs, confess and dispose of old grudges and selfish habits, dust off our Bibles for a new routine of study and prayer, air out our hearts and brighten up our attitudes. "Lent cleaning" lets the Holy Spirit freshen our faith — and it's never too early for that.



From Kathy Dixon (Claire Baumann's niece): A sincere thanks to Sandi, Pastor Eric and the church ladies for my aunt Claire's committal service and luncheon on December 3. I know she would have been pleased. Gayle Simpson and I truly appreciate everything. I will always have fond memories of Grace.

Carol Bernasek: Thank you so very much for your prayers, calls and cards following the death of my son Mark. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

From Prescott Coordinators Sue and Larry Clymer: We assembled 31 food baskets for the Prescott families this year at Christmas. Thank You to our congregation for the food donated for the baskets under the tree and to anyone who would have made a cash donation to our Prescott Fund to help buy the rest of the food. Thank You to the WELCA women for setting up the tree, and Thanks to those faithful people who helped sort the food, pack the boxes and help deliver them to Prescott. We did many different things for Prescott this year and without everyone help it would not be possible. To name a few: Grace members helped with the Prescott Walkathon, and donated money so the fifth grade students could go on there field trip, in return the students volunteered with clean up at the church. We donated bags of school supply, hand sanitize, Kleenex, sweat pants, shirts, socks, gloves and breakfast food bars.

From Irene Moore: I want to thank my Grace friends for the cards, notes, phone calls and prayers. Thanks also to Pastor Eric for his visit. I have missed worshiping with all of you and hope to be back in church soon.

St. Valentine's sacrifice

Every February 14, we celebrate the loved ones in our lives with cards, flowers and chocolate. But Valentine's Day has another meaning that's been lost.

First declared a holiday by King Henry VIII of England in 1537, it commemorates the beheading of St. Valentine on February 14, 270 A.D. His crime? Performing wedding ceremonies after Roman Emperor Claudius II had outlawed marriage.

Valentine was martyred for faithfully doing the work God had given him. Although it's good to celebrate love and marriage, let's also remember the courage of a man who gave his life following his convictions.

"Faith is taking the first step even when you can't see the staircase."
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

I see our members taking that first step – in faith – as they commit their time, talents and treasures to God's work here at Grace.

We set a challenging ministry budget for 2015, and the Council had many discussions about the "what ifs" at the end of that budget year. And then we all took a step, and we reached our giving goals for 2015.

On January 24, 2016, at our Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting, we will all be able to see the steps our committees are taking as we go about doing God's work with our hands. Lots of new and exciting things happened in 2015 and are planned for 2016.

The semi-annual meeting also will give each of us another opportunity to see where we can volunteer our skills in the mission of this congregation. Please look at each of the committees' reports and ask yourself if the Lord has called you to work with a committee this year. Please take the step.

Please review the work program that we have outlined in the budget we all approved in our November 2015 congregational meeting. As always, we tried to be ambitious and focused on the future.

That future now also seems to include our ability to reach our community using digital technology. The church buildings are off the beaten path, and we now must use the "cloud" to share our message of faith, our message of community and our work of providing radical hospitality.

Our Media Ministry ad-hoc committee is identifying priority projects for the Council to consider as we work to connect to the Lincoln community and the wider world. Pray for this step.

We are pleased with the ministry efforts of our staff and told them so during their annual reviews. We want to express our joy that we now have pastoral leadership in place and pledge our support to Pastor Leshner. The congregation was deliberate and thoughtful in the call we offered to Pastor Leshner, and he took a big step to be with us.

Steps should also remind us that our physical health is important. The Council has approved the training in CPR for our staff and all ushers. We have refreshed our First Aid kits and have an AED (defibrillator) in place if we need it. What else should we be thinking about to take the next steps in health?

On January 23, 2016, the Council will meet in a Discernment Retreat to explore what the Lord's work in this place should like in the future. For each of us this, too, will be a step up an unknown staircase. Let us know your ideas, suggestions and concerns, and pray for the Council members and their steps of faith.

As a final suggestion, I would like all of us to invite members who may have left the congregation to come to Grace for a visit and see the ministry now in place. Each of us has friends and relatives who need a faith home like Grace. Invite them to take a step toward us.

Share Grace's mission with anyone who needs this message of radical hospitality: gathered to worship, called to witness and sent to serve. Together we can share in the steps the Lord would have us take to build a church community that reaches out to be God's hands in this place.

Blessings on your steps this month.
Dennis Berens

Bible Quizzes



In Mark 9 Jesus took three disciples to a high mountain. While there, the men witnessed amazing things. Jesus' clothes became dazzling white, and then Elijah and Moses appeared to them. The disciples then heard a voice from a cloud that said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" (Mark 9:7, nrsv). Suddenly, Elijah and Moses vanished and the disciples were alone with Jesus.

Who were the three disciples who witnessed the Transfiguration?

- A. Peter, Andrew and John
- B. Peter, James and John
- C. Peter, James and Andrew
- D. James, Matthew and John

Answer: On inside back cover

According to St. Matthew's account of the Transfiguration, when Jesus was transfigured two Old Testament characters appeared and seemed to be talking with Jesus. One represented the Law; the other represented the Prophets. Who were the two men who appeared to Jesus?

- A. Abraham and David
- B. Moses and Elijah
- C. Nathan and Ezekiel
- D. Elijah and David

The answer can be found in Matthew 17:3.



First Corinthians 13 is a popular Scripture reading at wedding ceremonies. The so-called "love chapter" provides an extended definition of what Paul calls "the greatest" gift (verse 13).

Which of the following characteristics of love isn't found in 1 Corinthians 13?

- A. Love is patient.
- B. Love rejoices in the truth.
- C. Love believes all things.
- D. Love is childlike.

Answer: On inside back cover

Grace Lutheran Church December Council Meeting
Tuesday, December 8, 2015

Present: Pastor Eric Leshner, Denny Berens, Terry Branting, Connie Whyrick, Dave Ripa, Barb Smith
Kevin Gade, Peter Schnake, Wendy Apple, Carla Ingersoll

Visitors: Don Carnes, Dean Dumler

Absent: Doug Allen, Teddi Reckling, Jeanne Weisbrook, Elizabeth Krueger

President Denny Berens called the Council meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Roll call taken

Denny B. provided devotions and the opening prayer

Thank you card signed by Council to give to Sandi in recognition of her 20 year service anniversary

Barb S. moved the November Council meeting minutes be approved. Seconded by Dave R. Motion carried.

Correspondence: NLOM- Camp Carol Joy Holling Request

Terry B. moved that council authorize giving NLOM \$60 to contribute toward the purchase of fleece to make blankets. Seconded: Barb S. Motion carried

Staff Reports:

Senior Pastor: Written report

Director of Music: Written report

Financial Secretary's Report: Written report—Letter sent to congregation with current financial status of budget and requests for additional financial gifts in December

Treasurer's Report: Written report

Good Samaritan financial report emailed to all

No Voices of Grace account information available

Connie W. made a motion to accept and file for audit all staff and financial reports. Seconded by Barb S. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

(Dennis asked the group to interact about how to use these minutes for better collaboration)

Parish Education: Written report

Evangelism: Did not meet

Property: Written report

Social Ministry: Written report

Stewardship: Written report

Finance: Written report

Suggestion to remove account numbers from all account documents emailed, or not email them.

Youth: No report

Memorials: written report

Worship and Music: Did not meet

Media Committee: Written report

Connie W. made a motion to receive and place on file all committee reports. Seconded by Barb S. Motion carried.

Review of October's action on the Columbarium Fund. Don Carnes and Dean Dumler informed the Council that the Columbarium Fund was set up as a separated entity because of the wish to have a fund outside of the church budget in case there was ever a need to move the cremains that there would be money set aside. Pastor Eric made a motion to table the decision until the January meeting so that all could read the Columbarium information. Seconded by Barb S. Motion carried.

Old Business:

By-Law Changes: Connie W. moved that the by-law stating the movement of the Nursery to under the Parish Education should be voted on at the congregational meeting in January. Seconded by Barb S. Motion carried.

Sale of old bus: Terry B. moved that the decision to sell or gift the old church transport to an agency or individual at the discretion of the property committee should be voted on at the congregation meeting in January. Seconded by Barb S. Motion carried.

Council Retreat: Written report. Topics for discussion: Radical hospitality; Honest conversation; Open learning; Compassionate service; Genuine humility; Divine anticipation; Inspiring worship. Pot luck breakfast at 8AM. Connie to start menu "chain". Bring Bible.

Kenetic Easement Proposal: Terry B. moved to accept the agreement with Kenetic of \$5000 with the distribution of funds to be determined later. Barb seconded. Motion carried.

Director of Faith Contract: Terry B. moved we accept the contract model for the Faith Formation position. Seconded by Dave R. Motion carried.

Media Ministry Proposals/plan: Barb S. moved we accept the plan presented by the Media Ministry committee. Seconded by Dave R. Motion carried.

Phase II of Organ Repair: The Property Committee reviewed the contract with Bedient Pipe Organ and made necessary changes. Dave R. moved that Bedient Pipe Organ be contacted for the contract to be signed and for Phase II organ repair begin. Seconded by Terry B. Motion carried.

Resignation of Anthony Chamberlin: Terry B. moved we accept Anthony's resignation from the Council. Seconded by Barb S. Motion carried.

Electronic Payment Contract Model: Connie W. moved that the council move forward with the electronic payment model. Seconded by Barb S. Motion carried.

New Business:

Election of Officers and Committee Assignments: President-Denny Berens, Vice President-Terry Branting, Secretary -Carla Ingersoll. Committee assignments to be completed.

Staff Evaluations: Kevin G. moved that the staff evaluations be completed before the October calendar council meeting. Barb S. seconded. Motion carried.

Pastor evaluation model: Dave R. moved to accept the performance evaluation tasks for Pastor Eric. Seconded by Barb S. Motion carried.

Appointment of Financial Secretary: Dave R. moved that we reappoint Matt Knobbe as the Financial Secretary for 2016. Seconded by Barb S. Motion carried.

Appointment of Audit Committee: Barb S. moved that we reappoint Roger Potts to the Audit Committee for 2016. Seconded by Dave R. Motion carried.

Seminarian Committee: Terry B. moved the Council assume responsibility for the Seminarian Fund with Pastor Eric as the point person. Seconded by Barb S. Motion carried.

CPR training for staff and ushers: Connie W. moved that the Council approve staff, ushers and Parish Education CPR training with associated costs. Seconded by Barb S. Motion carried.

Quilt Project: Barb S. moved to fund the quilt group to have the historical quilt quilted and presented to the church with the historical background. Seconded by Terry B. Motion carried.

Council Calendar: Barb S. moved to create a council calendar for 2016. Seconded by Dave R. Motion carried.

The council also would like to have each committee consider creating a yearly calendar for their work.

Sunday School Equipment: Connie W. moved to approve Memorial Funds be used to pay for a portable paper rack for the Sunday School. Seconded by Barb S. Motion carried.

There being no more business to bring before the Church Council, meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. by saying the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, Carla Ingersoll, Council Secretary

February 7, 2016	
Assisting Minister	Jacob Krueger
Lector	Jacob Schott
Communion Assistants	Fran and Kevin Gade, Bruce & Cheryl Petersen
Altar Guild	Jon & Connie Thorson
Communion Bread	Barb Smith
Greeters	Dave Ripa, Bruce & Cheryl Petersen
Acolyte	Luke Filbert, Owen & Elli Petersen, Jacob Schott, Cameron Krueger
February 10 (Ash Wednesday)	
Assisting Minister	Pastor Megan Morrow
Lector	Kyle Givens
Communion Assistants	Kathie Remington, Pat Lickei, Steve & Tricia Rosno
Acolyte	Kyle Givens
February 14	
Assisting Minister	Barb Smith
Lector	Phil Sorensen
Communion Assistants	Darlene Stutheit, Joyce Krueger, Phil & Donna Sorensen
Altar Guild	Kurt & Cindy Eberspacher
Communion Bread	Cindy Eberspacher
Greeters	Terry & Jan Branting, Steve & Tricia Rosno
Acolytes	Kaiden Noecker
February 21	
Assisting Minister	
Lector	Chloe Fitzgibbon
Communion Assistants	Teresa Serafin, Lorraine James, Charlene Johnson, Arlene Reighard
Altar Guild	Dave and Kathren Miller
Communion Bread	Wendy Apple
Greeters	Fran & Kevin Gade, Bonnie & Glen Drohman
Acolyte	Chloe Fitzgibbon
February 28	
Assisting Minister	Roger Potts
Lector	Kaitlyn Dumler
Communion Assistants	Kevin Dumler, Don and Helen Carnes, Peter Schnake
Altar Guild	Doug & Sarah Krueger
Communion Bread	Fran Gade
Greeters	Sarah & Doug Krueger, Laila & Steve Faust
Acolyte	Kaitlyn Dumler



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Bonnie Krueger

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Shirleen Hoffman
Liam Hughes

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Judy Lambert

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Sharon Gottsche
Austin McKillip

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Willie Weisbrook

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Keith Oetjen
Conrad Schroeder

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Karen Billings
Neil Larson

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Tim Riemann

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Sondra Block
Velma Giles
Kay Ossian

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Pr Eric Leshner
Tricia Rosno

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Jennifer Johnson

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Evan Hughes
Anne Melang-Thoren
Kathren Miller
David Schilke
Ardyth Wolfe

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Kurt Eberspacher
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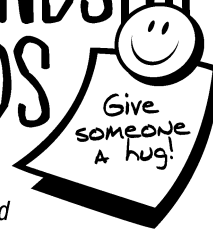
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Dennis Berens

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Chris Apple

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Larry Watchorn

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Pam Zilly

FRIENDSHIP CARDS



This month, don't just *send* valentines; *be* a valentine! Create these Friendship Cards to express love through kind acts for your loved ones — all month long.



What you need:

- 29 index cards
- A small box or container
- Colored pens or glitter pens
- Stickers

What you do:

1. On each card, write something nice you can do for other people. Ideas include "Give someone a hug," "Clean someone's room," "Read to someone" and so on. You can use colored pens to draw a picture.
2. Decorate the box or container. Place the cards inside.
3. Each day in February, select a card and do that nice thing for someone!

**Monday, February 1**

8:00 am—5:00 pm Leshar Hall reserved
9:00 am WELCA exec. Brd. Mtg.
7:00 pm Scouts

Tuesday, February 2

9:30 am Al-Anon
6:00 pm Scouts
7:00 pm Committee Mtgs.
8:00 pm AA Mtg.

Wednesday, February 3

12:00 pm WELCA lunch & meeting
6:15 pm Children's Choir
6:30 pm In Stitches
7:00 pm Evening Prayer Service
7:00 pm Comm. Mental Health Mtg.

Thursday, February 4

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

Friday, February 5

5:30 pm YMCA Respite Care

Saturday, February 6

5:30 pm Worship

Sunday, February 7

9:00 am Worship *
10:30 am Fellowship, Sunday School, Choir
10:40 am ASF
11:30 am Bell Choir
12:00 pm Lounge reserved

Monday, February 8

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

Tuesday, February 9

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

Wednesday, February 10**Ash Wednesday**

12:00 pm Yesterday's Youth
5:30 pm Lent Supper
5:45 pm Children's Choir
6:30 pm Ash Wednesday worship
7:00 pm Comm. Mental Health Mtg.

Thursday, February 11

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

Friday, February 12

4:00 pm Suzuki music lessons
5:30 pm YWCA Respite Care

Saturday, February 13

1:00 pm Lounge reserved
5:30 pm Worship

Sunday, February 14

9:00 am Worship *
10:30 am Fellowship, Sunday School, Adult Choir
10:40 am A.S.F.— Lounge
11:30 am Grace Notes bell choir

Monday, February 15

5:00 pm Gathering Place
7:00 pm Scouts

Tuesday, February 16

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

Wednesday, February 17

1:00 pm WELCA #1 Mtg.
5:30 pm Lent Supper
5:45 pm Children's Choir
6:30 pm Mid week Lent Worship
7:00 pm Comm. Mental Health Mtg.

Thursday, February 18

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

Friday, February 19

5:00 pm Leshar Hall reserved

Saturday, February 20

8:00 am LMTA -Leshar Hall reserved
5:30 pm Worship

Sunday, February 21

9:00 am Worship *
10:30 am Fellowship, Sunday School, Adult Choir
10:40 am A.S.F.— Lounge
11:30 am Grace Notes bell choir
1:30 pm Chapel reserved

Monday, February 22

7:00 pm Scouts

Tuesday, February 23

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

Wednesday, February 24

5:30 pm Lent Supper
5:45 pm Children's Choir
6:30 pm Mid week Lent Worship
7:00 pm Comm. Mental Health Mtg.

Thursday, February 25

6:30 am Men's Bible Study
9:00 am Quilting, Lincoln Literacy classes
7:00 pm Bell Choir, N. A. Mtg, L.L.C. Board Mtg.

Friday, February 26

4:30 pm Chapel reserved

Saturday, February 27

11:00 am Lounge reserved
5:30 pm Worship

Sunday, February 28

9:00 am Worship *
10:30 am Fellowship, Sunday School, Choir
10:40 am A.S.F.
11:30 am Grace notes bell choir

Monday, February 29

7:00 pm Scouts

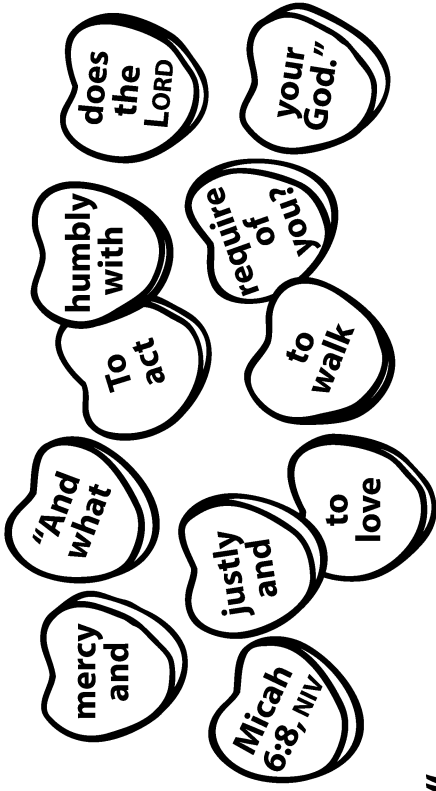
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Conversation hearts

The world encourages people to look out for themselves and seek success, but in Micah 6:8, God tells us to live differently.

Directions: Put the conversation hearts in the correct order by writing the words on the lines below. Hint: Capitalization and quotation marks are included.



" _____
_____?
_____?
" _____
_____ 6:8 _____

Answer: "And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." Micah 6:8, NIV



True Friendship

What makes someone a good friend?
The Bible offers lots of advice about true friendship.

Directions: Starting at the *, connect the dots clockwise and complete the words using the word bank. Then fill in Proverbs 27:9, NIV.

WORD BANK:

heart prings ir verbs vice ness end

27:9, NIV • pleasant _____
• pro _____ • * The _____ of _____
• ad _____ • a _____
_____ felt • _____ • fri _____
the _____ • _____ s _____
_____ from • _____
_____ _____
_____ _____
_____ 27:9, NIV

Answer: The pleasantness of a friend springs from their heartfelt advice. Proverbs 27:9, NIV

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 Terry Branting—Property
 Kevin Gade—Finance
 Carla Ingersoll—Evangelism
 Elizabeth Krueger—Parish Ed.
 Teddi Reckling—Finance
 Dave Ripa—Stewardship
 Peter Schnake—Evangelism
 Barb Smith—Social Ministry
 Connie Whyrick—Parish Ed. And Memorials

Transfiguration Bible Quiz Answer: B

1st Corinthians Bible Quiz Answer: D

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