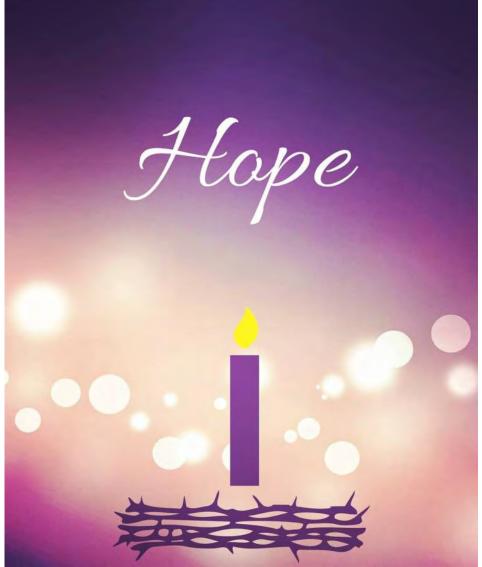


Welcome to Grace Lutheran Church November 30th, 2025 Founded 1924



~Preservice Music

~Welcome and Announcements

~Prayers of the Day

~In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.~

~Prayer of Invitation:

P: I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!"

C: Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!

P: Jerusalem—built as a city that is bound firmly together,

C: to which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord,

P: as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord.

C: There thrones for judgment were set, the thrones of the house of David.

P: Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! "May they be secure who love you!

C: Peace be within your walls and security within your towers!"

P: For my brothers and companions' sake I will say, "Peace be within you!"

C: For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek your good.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH - The Candle of Hope
One advent candle is lit before the congregation
joins in prayer and singing the hymn verse.

All: O Lord, let the lighting of this candle signify that You are the light that shines in all the darkness. You are the hope that our soul longs for and that hope can only be found in you. As we wait, watch, hope, and pray, guide us all to reflect Your light and let it shine; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

~Hymn of Praise:

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

~Confession of Our Sins:

P: God of Advent

C: You have never ceased coming to live within us and among us! Yet we often lived as if this were not true; as if You Jesus were far away; or as if we were free of sin. Forgive us, we pray: for You are Emmanuel, God with us, now and always. Pardon our feeble trust and renew our faith so that we would discern Your vital and empowering presence in our daily lives day by day. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, hear now the silent confessions of our hearts.

~Absolution

P: Hear this Good News – through the birth, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God has given us the gift of reconciliation.

C: Thanks be to God!

~Readings:

Isaiah 2:1-5

Romans 13:8-14

Matthew 21:1-9

~Prayer:

P: Righteous one,

C: to you alone we lift our souls;

P: In you alone

C: We place our trust

P: for you alone

C: we wait all day long.

P: For you are the God of our salvation,

C: abounding in mercy and steadfast love.

P: Help us remain alert and watchful for the coming of your promised one

C: the one who comes with power and glory, the one drawing near to bring our salvation. Amen.

~Hymn of Praise: "The Advent of Our King"

~Sermon - "Do You Hear What I Hear?"

~Apostles' Creed

~Offering

~Prayer:

All: Come to us, O Lord, and speak Your grace into our fearful hearts, that we may follow blessed Mary's example and trust in Your Word without doubt and live in obedience to Your Word all the days of our lives; through Jesus Christ we pray.

Amen

~The Lord's Prayer

~Communion

~Hymn of Praise:

"Just as I Am, without One Plea" "Abide with Me"

~Benediction

~Closing Hymn of Praise:

"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Pray for Our Families

The families of Grace that we will keep in our

prayers this week are: Jim & Stacia Roggenbaum

Russel Safran

Wally & Vicki Sander

Remember to keep our **Grace Family** and the **CLC** in your daily prayers. Pray for This Week's Ministry:

Church Growth

Happenings This Week

December 1st - CLC CLOSED

December 2nd - Firm Foundations 3:30pm

December 3rd - Firm Foundations 3:30pm

Deep Roots 5pm

Deacon's Meeting 6pm

December 4th - Firm Foundations 3:30pm

Grace out Loud 5:30pm

December 6th - Christmas Craft Show @ CLC 10am-4pm

December Service Schedule

Reader: Amy Coffman

Prayers: Vicki Sander

December Altar Guild: Dana DiBlasi & Amber Mays

December Counters: Jim & Mary Paterniti

Month of December Canned Meat & Water Please place your donations in the red bin.

Women's Bible Study

The next meeting will be on December 11th at 10:30am in the church social hall.

Looking for holiday cheer? The Keynote Chorus would like to invite you to our upcoming concert, Arise!

There are 2 performances:

Saturday, December 6th, 2025 @ 3:00pm at the Harriett Wick Chapel at UPB Sunday, December 7th, 2025 @ 3:00pm at the Allegany Baptist Church : 3236 Maple Ave., Allegany NY.

Admission is free but donations are appreciated. Keynote Chorus donates a yearly scholarship to a college student pursuing a degree in music. Any questions please see:

Shirley Evers-814-598-7205

Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10am-2pm.

November 23rd, 2025 Attendance and Giving:

Attendance: 61 Recycling:

Giving: \$4,861.40 Destinations:

Holy Communion

We believe that Holy Communion, the Lord's Supper, is a Sacrament of God, instituted by Christ Himself, giving and sealing the gift of forgiveness to those who believe and follow Him.

To help you to decide if you would like to join your brothers and sisters at the Communion table, ask yourself the following questions:

- 1.) Have I been baptized with water in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit?
- 2.) Do I believe the Good News of Jesus' victory over sin and death on the cross for me?
- 3.) Do I recognize the Body and Blood of Christ in and with the bread and wine of Communion given for me for the forgiveness of sins?

If you said 'yes' to each of these questions and desire Holy Communion, the Lord welcomes you to His Holy Supper.

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