



**Welcome to
Grace Lutheran Church
January 25th, 2026
Founded 1924**

**And He said to them, Follow Me,
and I will make you fishers of men.**

Matthew 4:19



~Preservice Music: *“Who You Say I Am”*
“Stand in Your Love”

~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: The LORD is my light and my salvation—whom
shall I fear?*

*C: The LORD is the stronghold of my life—of whom
shall I be afraid?*

*P: When the wicked advance against me to
devour me, it is my enemies and my foes who will
stumble and fall.*

*C: Though an army besiege me, my heart will not
fear; though war break out against me, even then I
will be confident.*

*P: One thing I ask from the LORD, this only do I
seek:*

*C: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the
days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the LORD
and to seek him in his temple.*

*P: For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in
his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his
sacred tent and set me high upon a rock.*

*C: Then my head will be exalted above the
enemies who surround me; at his sacred tent I will
sacrifice with shouts of joy; I will sing and make
music to the LORD.*

P: Hear my voice when I call, LORD;

C: be merciful to me and answer me.

P: My heart says of you, "Seek his face!"

C: Your face, LORD, I will seek.

P: Do not hide your face from me, do not turn your servant away in anger; you have been my helper.

C: Do not reject me or forsake me, God my Savior.

-Psalm 27: 1-9

~Hymn of Praise: "Living Hope"

~Confession of Sins:

O Lord, forgive us when we fail to respond to your call with faith. **Through your Spirit we stand in the assurance of your acceptance.** Forgive us when we are shackled by our narrow understandings of discipleship and our clouded sense of purpose.

Through you Spirit we are drawn into the illumination of your empowering love. Forgive us when we are frightened of the future or pull back from the demand of your calling. Forgive us when we fail to sense your presence in our past, to acknowledge your grace in the present moment, and to trust you for our future. **Through your Spirit we offer ourselves in discipleship.**

We stand together as your disciples.

We seek renewed and renewing faith.

Touch us now with your Spirit, Lord.

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~Absolution

~Readings:

Isaiah 9: 1-4

I Corinthians 1: 10-18

Matthew 4: 12-25

~Prayer:

Jesus, You are the Light of the World. Shine Your light in me today. Chase away the darkness of sin, the darkness of fear and doubt and despair. Fill me with the light of Your truth, Your Word. Produce in me the fruit of righteousness – the evidence that Your Holy Spirit lives in me and works in me and works through me. Teach me what is pleasing to You. Make me a shining example of Your amazing grace, redeeming love, and life-changing power. May others be drawn to You through Your light in my life. Amen.

~Hymn of Praise: “I Will Follow”

~Sermon

~The Nicene Creed

~Offering

~Prayer:

Great God of Heaven and Earth, you call us to leave behind our preoccupations and to follow you into the future. Sometimes we find your calling challenging. We are comfortable, maybe even complacent, in our present. May this act of giving be a gesture of our willingness to follow where you lead. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

~The Lord's Prayer

~Communion

~Hymn of Praise: “I Give You My Heart”

“I, the Lord of Sea and Sky”

~Benediction

~Closing Hymn of Praise: “Mighty to Save”

Pray for Our Families

The families of Grace that we will keep in our prayers this week are: **David & Wendy Wright**

Cal & Paula Abrams

Donna Abrams

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

Deacons

Happenings This Week

- January 26th -** Firm Foundations 3:30pm
Special Olympics Basketball 6:45pm
- January 27th -** Firm Foundations 3:30pm
Archery at CLC 3:30pm
GYBL at CLC 6:45pm
- January 28th -** Firm Foundations 3:30pm
Deep Roots 5pm
GYBL at CLC 6:45pm
- January 29th -** Firm Foundations 3:30pm
Grace out Loud 5:30pm
GYBL at CLC 6:45pm
- January 30th -** Food Auction @ CLC 4pm

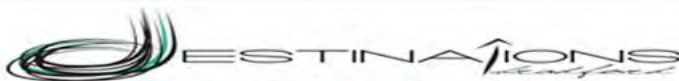
February Service Schedule

Reader: Gayle Gallmann

Prayers: Vicki Sander

February Altar Guild: Wendy Wright & Kathy Verbocy

February Counters: Laura Keesler & Nina Lau



Noisy Can Collection
for Destinations-Bradford

TODAY

The Can is on the table
in the back of the church

DESTINATIONS MONTHLY DONATIONS

JANUARY – PEANUTBUTTER + WATER

FEBRUARY – MAC N CHEESE + WATER

MARCH – PACKAGED COOKIES + WATER

APRIL – SOUP + WATER

MAY – CRACKERS + WATER

JUNE – POPTARTS + WATER

JULY – CEREAL BARS + WATER

AUGUST – CEREAL + WATER

SEPTEMBER – SOUP + WATER

OCTOBER – CLC HALLOWEEN CANDY + WATER

NOVEMBER – CANNED MEAT + WATER

DECEMBER – GRACE GIFT BOXES + WATER

The **Women's Bible Study Group** will meet again on Feb. 12th & Feb. 26th, at 10:30am in the church social hall. These are single lessons so you can join at any time. Bring a friend and enjoy learning and fellowship with sisters in Christ. For more information Call:
Vicki Sander: 814-465-3137 or Laura Keesler: 814-465-9388

**If you would like anything placed into
the weekly bulletin, please turn it into
the office by the Wednesday of each week.
Thank You!**

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10am-2pm.

January 18th, 2026 Attendance and Giving:

Attendance: 56

Recycling:

Giving: \$2,737.40

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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