



FIRST MILE MISSION

First Mile Mission Giving begins in all UM Churches with Apportionments: 'A Portion Meant' for mission. Grace's 1st Mile Mission Giving Goal is \$20,460 or \$122.00 each member based on a membership of 168. Generous givers are already **Paving The way** to meeting that goal, with \$2,538.02 given to date.

PRAYER FOCUS

Prayer for those who struggle to believe the best each day because their lives are going through a season of struggle. Pray for strength a day at a time and a step at a time.



PRAYER CHAIN

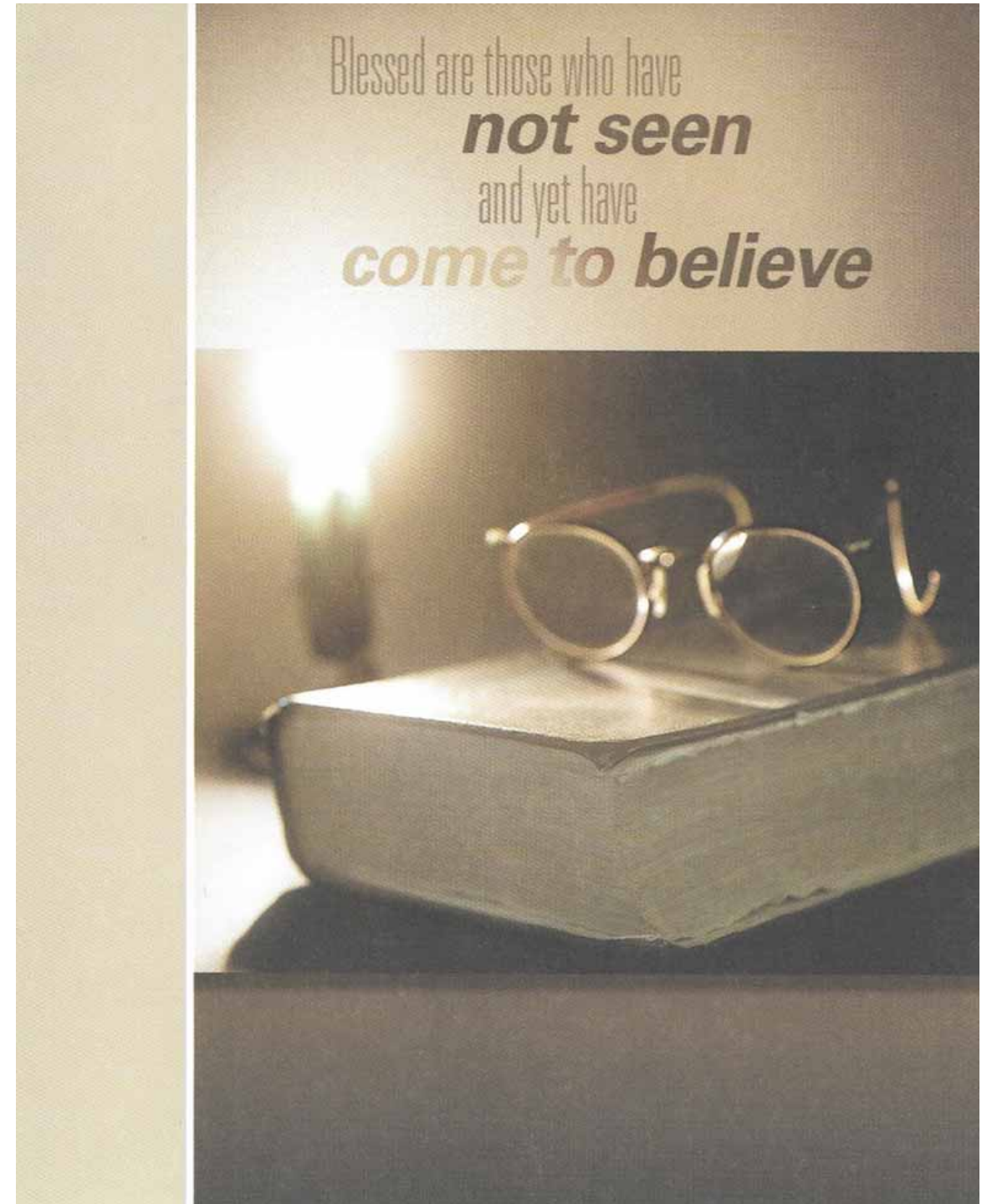
To start a prayer chain for any prayer concerns, please call Myrna Swan—701-261-1672.

ALL WOMEN OF GRACE

The All Women's United Methodist Fellowship Dinner is Tuesday, April 24, 2018, is at Faith United Methodist Church. Registration begins at 6 p.m. with dinner and a program. Reservations are due by Wednesday, April 17, 2018. Please contact members of Martha Circle, Lydia Circle, or Phyllis Murray (218-236-0141), for questions. Come join us!

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Do you find yourself with months where you run out of money before you run out of month? Grace United Methodist Church is hosting Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University! This 9-week course will walk you through all of the relationships with money that you've ever wanted to learn, but had never gotten before. Join us as we walk through this journey together! For more information, feel free to visit with Todd or Doyne Grow, or sign up and order your class materials at <https://fpu.com/1062211>. The first class will begin April 14, 2018 at 9:00 am.



GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 8, 2018

1st Sunday after Easter

10:00 am

The Church of the Neighborhood
Making Followers of Christ to Transform the World.

WE GATHER TO PRAISE, PRAY AND BLESS

GATHERING PRELUDE:

Three Chimes calls us to our gathering announcements and Worship
Announcements

*Indicates those able may stand

PRAYER PRELUDE:

CALL TO WORSHIP: #853 (Blue Hymnal) Psalm 138:1-8

***HYMNS: #314 (Blue Hymnal) “In the Garden”**

PRAYER:

Loving, living Jesus, we gather today seeking your presence. Like your first followers, someday we walk in faith. Other days we carry burdens of worry and fear. We are far from perfect. But, our love for you is strong and your love for us is beyond our imagining. Your patience with us is amazing and gracious. Through your life, your death and your resurrection, teach us how to walk in your ways, love with your compassion, and live without fear. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

TO HEAR GOD’S WORD

CHILDRENS MOMENTS:

SUNG PRAYER: #357 (Blue Hymnal) “Just As I Am, Without One Plea” v. 3

GOSPEL LESSON: John 20:19-25 (CEB)

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GOSPEL READING: John 29:26-30 (CEB)

SUNG PRAYER: #357 (Blue Hymnal) “Just As I Am, Without One Plea” v. 6

MESSAGE: “Happy Are Those Who Believe”

CHOIR: “Lord, Make Us Messengers of Your Peace” arr. Jan Carneghi

TO RESPOND AND GIVE

SHARING OF JOYS, CONCERNS, AND PRAYERS: -

(Please wait for the microphone and speak clearly, keeping it about an inch or two from your mouth.- Thank you)

LORDS PRAYER: #895 (Blue Hymnal)

OFFERING:

***DOXOLOGY: #95 (Blue Hymnal) “Praise God”**

OFFERING PRAYER:

TO BE SENT FORTH

***HYMN: #364 (Blue Hymnal) “Because He Lives”**

***BLESSING: #504 (Blue Hymnal) “The Old Rugged Cross” v. 4**

POSTLUDE:

All prayer requests are welcome. Please write them in the book on the desk in the narthex.

EVERYONE: Please sign the pew pad and pass it down the pew and then back to the start. The last person should put the sheet in the offering plate. All e-mail addresses will be protected in blind copy so no one else sees your e-mail address. If you are receiving regular e-mails from Church, it is not necessary to write it in again.

GUESTS: Please fill out a yellow card found in the pew and place it in the offering plate.

NORTH STAR DISTRICT: Prayer List for this week includes:
Sauk Centre—Ruth Gangloff

WORSHIP LEADERS

Ministers: All the People

Keyboardist: Sharon Fangsrud

Reader: Bonnie Christopherson

Pastor: Roger Grafenstein

Choir Director: Tyler Eliason

Ushers: Roger & Bonnie

Christopherson