



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 \$604.34 given to date.

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:
Paynesville—Robert Kandels



LENT

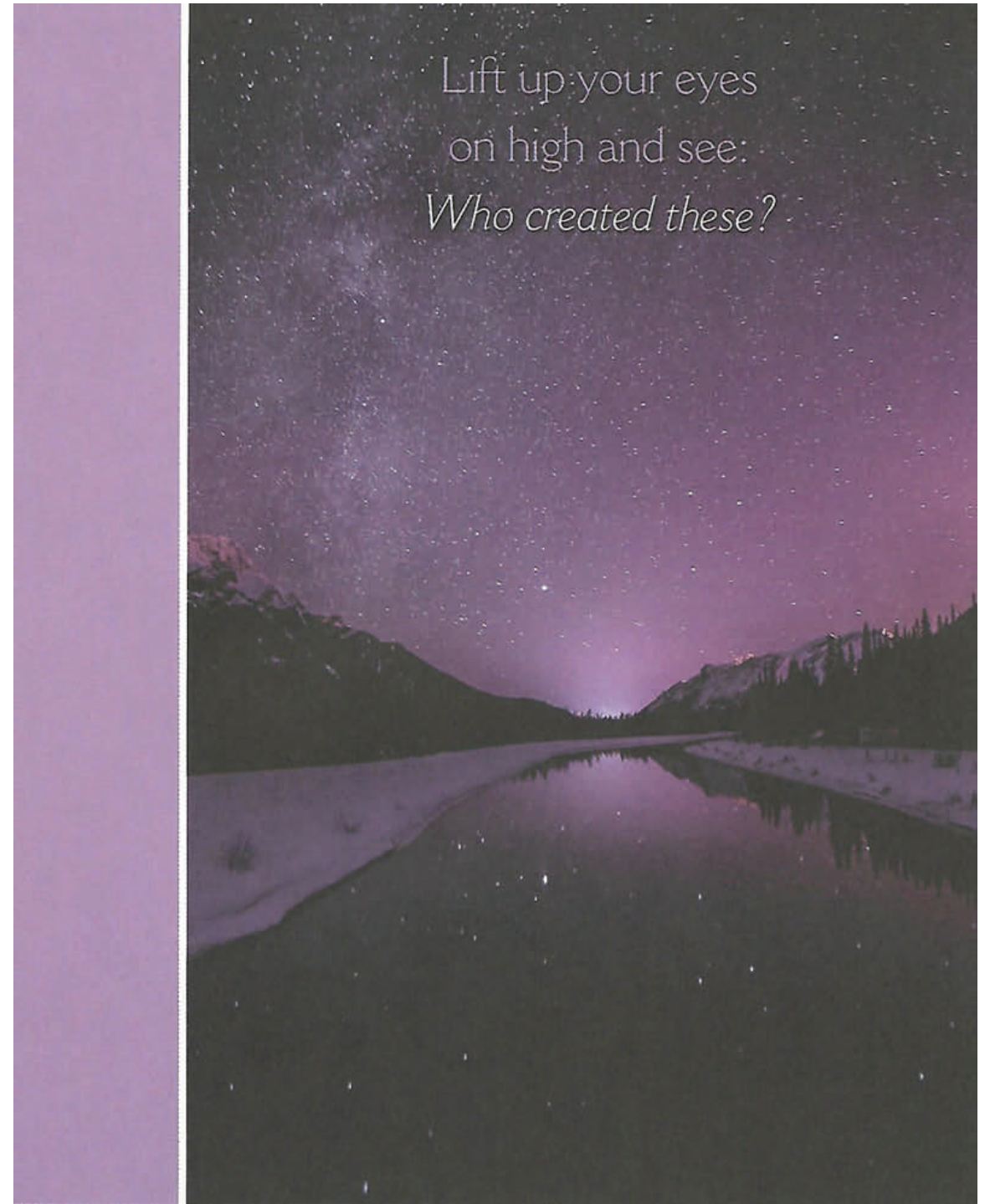
Lent begins on Wednesday, February 14th with the study of **“Surprise the World: Five Habits of Highly Missional People.”**

Books can be ordered by calling the office, 218-233-1857. Let us begin today to prepare ourselves for spiritual growth during this special time of the church year.

SCHEDULE FOR LENT

- Soup Supper.....5:00 pm
- GraceKids Ministry.....6:00 pm
- Lent Service.....7:00 pm
- Choir Practice.....7:30 pm

There is a sign up sheet on the table in the Narthex for those wanting to donate a pan of bars to go with the soup.



GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 4, 2018

5th Sunday after Epiphany

10:00 am

The Church of the Neighborhood
Making Disciples 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: (Based on Psalm 1:1-3)

“Blessed are those who do not walk in the counsel of the wicked;

Look up to those who do not walk in the ways of sin or scoff at others.

Blessed are those whose delight is the law of the Lord.

Day after day they meditate on God’s ways.

They are like trees planted by streams of water.”

Like Jesus, they bear fruits of the Spirit.

Patience, gentleness, compassion and love mark their lives.

Like trees planted by streams of water their leaves do not wither.

We gather, seeking to be like those trees—rooted in what is good.

We gather, seeking to be like those trees—bearing good fruit for a world in need. Amen.

***HYMN: #512 (Blue Hymnal) “Stand by Me”**

REFLECTION: “What Brought Me to Grace”

**Dan Graning
Stephanie Grow**

TO HEAR GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Jeremiah 17:5-8 (CEB)

CHILDREN’S MOMENTS:

HMN: 405 (Blue Hymnal) “Seek Ye First”

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 6:30-34 & 7:7-8 (CEB)

MESSAGE: “Rooted in What Feeds the Soul”

TO SHARE AT CHRIST’S TABLE

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)

INVITATION AND REMEMBRANCE:

CHOIR: “We Gather at Your Table, Lord”

arr. Walter Ehret

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP:

Please come forward to the rail if you need gluten-free. Otherwise, you may choose to come to the rail or to the servers on the right or left of the stage. If you have an **OFFERING**, please place it in the offering plates in the front pew on the way to communion. Thank you.

TO BE SENT FORTH

HYMN: #374 (Blue Hymnal) “Standing on the Promises”

***BLESSING:**

POSTLUDE:

PRAYER FOCUS

We pray for those who seek to deepen their roots, or who are perhaps feeling uprooted and ready to be transplanted to a place where they can experience God’s daily nourishment.

PRAYER CHAIN



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

WORSHIP LEADERS

Ministers: All the People

Keyboardist: Sharon Fangsrud

Reader: Esther Vollbrecht

Pastor: Roger Grafenstein

Choir Director: Tyler Eliason

Ushers: Bill and Carol Krogen