

Events for the week of January 12 - 19, 2014

Sunday, January 12, 2014—Baptism of the Lord

- 9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship
10:15 AM Children's Sunday School

Monday, January 13

- 1:00 PM NO Quilting

Tuesday, January 14

- 7:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting

Wednesday, January 15

- 6:15 PM Hand Bell Choir
6:30 PM AWANA
7:15 PM Choir

Thursday, January 16

- 9:00 AM Bulletin Deadline
11:30 AM F-M UM Clergy
7:00 PM Lydia Circle

Friday, January 17

Saturday, January 18

Sunday, January 19—2nd Sunday after Epiphany

- 9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship
10:15 AM Children's Sunday School

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GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Matthew 3:16, NRSV

WORSHIP LEADERS

Ministers: All the People
Organist: Mark Forkner
Choir Director: Isaac Lovdahl
Scripture Reader: Bonnie Christopherson
Ushers: Stan Struble and Bill Krogen

Pastor: Roger Grafenstein
Violinist: Kay Forkner
Pianist: Sharon Fangsrud

ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 12, 2014

Baptism of the Lord

10:00 AM

Three Chimes signals the beginning of Worship

Learning to Live and Love like Jesus

You are never a stranger here. You are a child of God.

We gather as brothers and sisters in Christ. Welcome.

GATHERING POINT & PRELUDE:

As the choir and pastor are seated during these last moments before worship you are invited to pray:

For a person on the prayer list;

For the morning worship leaders and visitors,

For a person the Spirit moves you to pray for,

For your heart to be ready for the gospel of hope. Welcome.

(If you wish to have someone pray with you, one of Grace's prayer/care team will be in the library ready to listen and pray following worship).

Announcements and Time of Christian Greeting

*Indicates those able may stand

WE GATHER TO PRAISE AND PRAY

***CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 29 (The Message)**

***HYMN: #2032 (Blue Hymnal) "My Life Is in You, Lord"**

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD & RESPOND

PRAYER: *(James Weldon Johnson)*

"O Lord, we come this morning knee-bowed and body bent before thy throne of grace. O Lord—this morning—bow our hearts beneath our knees, and our knees in some lonesome valley. We come this morning like empty pitchers to a full fountain, with no merits of our own. O Lord, open up a window of heaven, and lean out far over the battlements of glory, and listen this morning. Amen."

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Isaiah 42:1-9 (NRSV)

HYMN: # 117 (Blue Hymnal)

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS:

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 3:13-17 (NRSV)

CHOIR: "Holy, Holy, Holy" by John M. Dykes

MESSAGE: "The Heavens Were Opened"

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)

THE LORDS PRAYER:- #895 (Blue Hymnal)

OFFERING: To worship God is to serve God and neighbor. We pause for one way to offer our lives in service. May our gifts flow from faithful hearts and become blessing for others.

***DOXOLOGY: #95 (Blue Hymnal) "Praise God"**

***HYMN: #2051 (Black Hymnal) "Borning Cry"**

TO BE SENT FORTH

***BLESSING:** *(Quotes Psalm 1:1a, 2-3)*

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

On God's laws they meditate day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water yielding fruits in season.

Their leaves do not wither. In all they do, they prosper."

Go forth into the world. May your lives be nourished by the living waters and yield the fruits of the Spirit.

Amen.

***RESPONSE: Back Cover (Blue Hymnal)**

"A Closing Prayer"

As we recall our Lord's Baptism, we're deeply grateful that Christ identified with humanity. May the living Christ be our daily companion.

We welcome each of you as we remember Jesus' baptism and our own baptisms. We are gathered as Christ's disciples to worship our Lord.