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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 \$0.00 given to date.

PRAYER FOCUS

For those who do not have the basics of life: shelter, food, safety, basic medicines and health. Lord, we pray for a world in need. And, we pray you will fill our hearts with generosity as we seek to work with Jesus to care for all your people.

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.

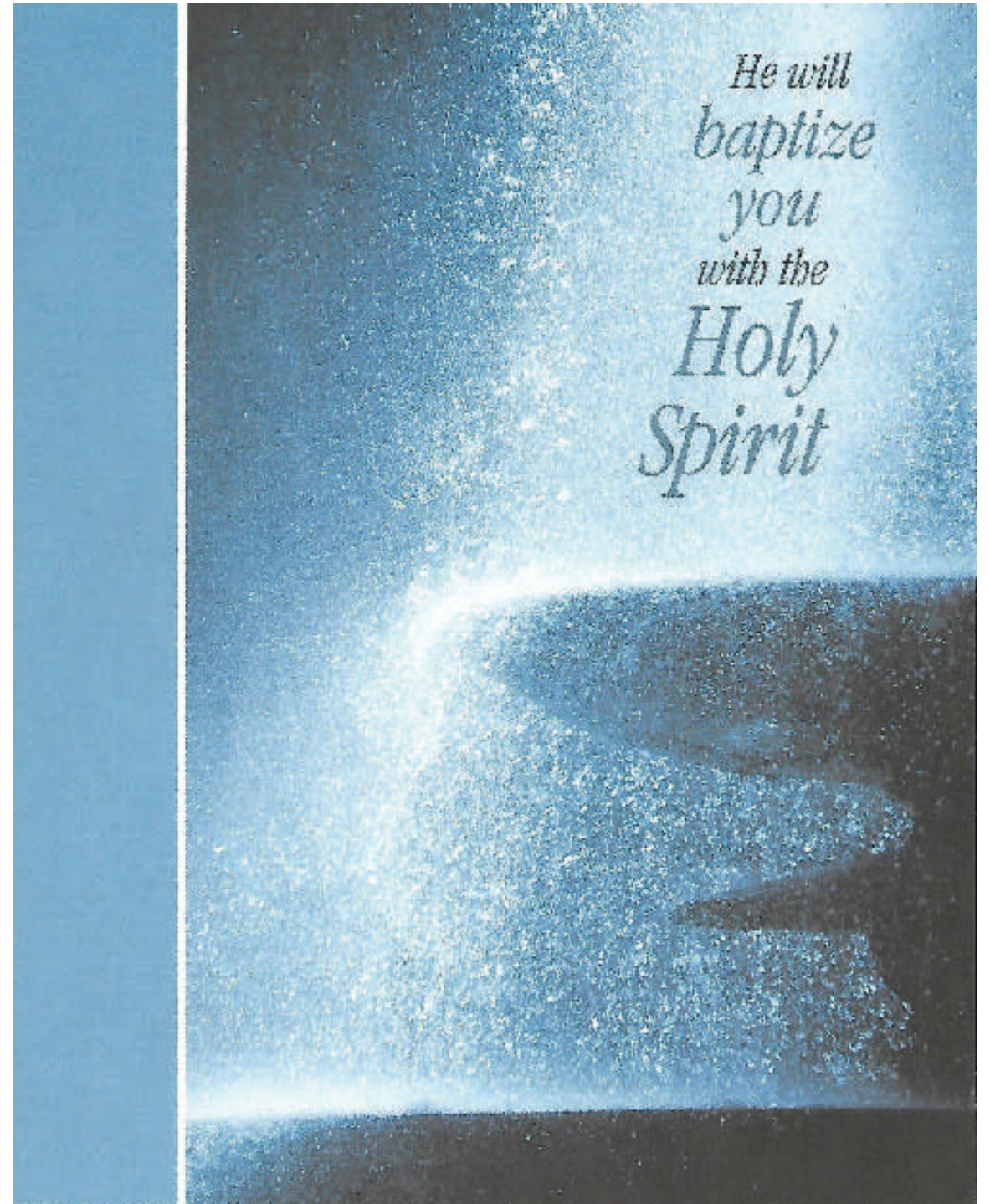
NORTH STAR DISTRICT: Prayer List for this week includes:
Nashwauk—Diane Bolles

NEW TO GRACE

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If you feel "New to Grace". And have questions, ^{thinking} of membership or just wish to get to know a few more people at GRACE. You are invited to gether with Pastor Roger on Sunday, January 14th from 11:00 am to 11:50 am. Child-care will be provided.



GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 7, 2018

Epiphany Sunday

10:00 am

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

WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD’S WORD

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 72:1-6*

The Messiah has come.

Through his birth, life, death and resurrection may we see and do what is right.

May he bring justice for the poor!

May he bring prosperity for all on earth.

May he defend the cause of the poor and give deliverance to the needy.

May oppression end wherever his message is shared.

May his footsteps be like rain that falls on the mown grass.

May his word be like gentle showers that water the earth.

May the messiah plant his message in our hearts.

May the work of our hands and the words of our mouths further his reign on earth, as it is in heaven. Amen.

***HYMN: #251 (Blue Hymnal) “Go Tell It on the Mountain”**

TO HEAR GOD’S WORD

PRAYER: *paraphrase of an Epiphany prayer by Laurence Hull Stookey, UM Hymnal #255*

O God, you made of one blood all nations. By a star in the East you revealed him whose name is Emmanuel to all. Lead us to learn and share of all the riches Christ offers—that we may grow in love and others may come to his light. Empower us with humility so we may bow before his light and follow in his gentle ways. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 60:1-6 (CEB)

CHILDREN’S MOMENTS:

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 2:1-15 (CEB)

CHOIR:

MESSAGE: “Lean into the Promise”

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)

TO SHARE AT CHRIST’S TABLE

INVITATION AND REMEMBRANCE:

HYMN: #640 (Blue Hymnal) “Take Our Bread”

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: #593 (Blue Hymnal) “Here I Am, Lord”

***BLESSING:**

POSTLUDE:



PRAYER CHAIN

To start a prayer chain for any prayer concerns, please call Paula Horner, 218-790-2141

WORSHIP LEADERS

Ministers: All the People

Keyboardist: Sharon Fangsrud

Reader: Roberta Hartog

Pastor: Roger Grafenstein

Choir Director: Tyler Eliason

Ushers: Breanna Beck,

Brayden Beck and Katelinn Beck