



## 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 \$2,044.02 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:  
Pine River—Loren Grage



## SCHEDULE FOR LENT

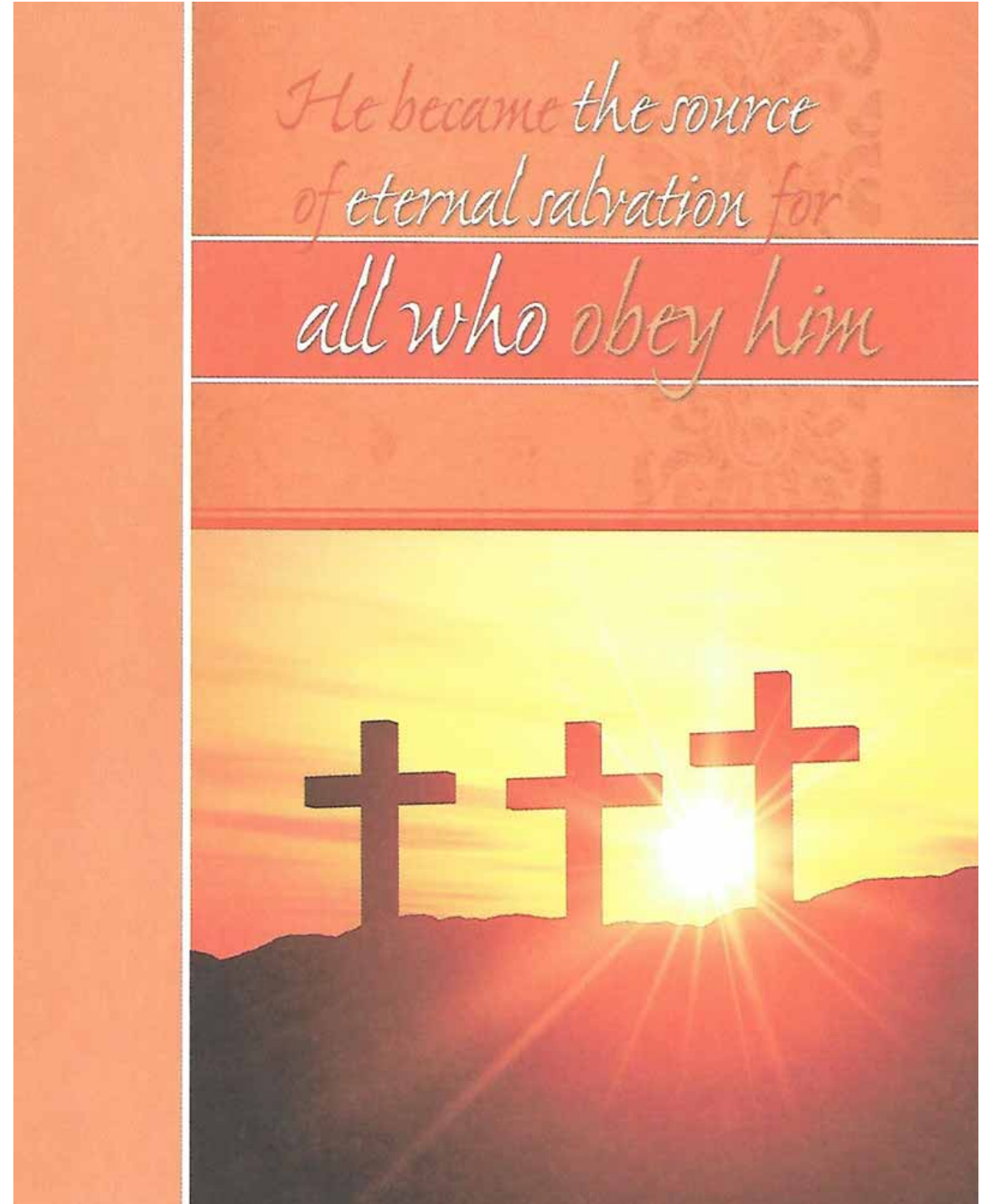
Soup Supper.....5:00 pm  
Chicken and Wild Rice  
GraceKids Ministry.....6:00 pm  
Lent Service.....7:00 pm  
Choir Practice.....7:30 pm

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

## PRAYER CHAIN



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



GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 18, 2018

5th Sunday in Lent

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 51 & A United Methodist Prayer for Thanksgiving)*

Mercy from a loving God, some days it is all we can ask for our world and for ourselves.

**Merciful God give us a fresh start.**

We gather to wash off the sins and failures of days past.

**We ask to be cleansed of the attitudes and actions keep us from living like Jesus.**

Loving God, we are humbled. You know us and you choose to love us.

**You choose to walk with us as we grow and pick us up when we stumble.**

New every morning is your love, great God of light. You work for good day by day.

**Stir up in us the desire to serve you, to live peacefully with our neighbors and to devote our lives to your Son and our Savior, Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

**\*HYMNS: #365 (Blue Hymnal) “Grace Greater than Our Sin”**

**#2207 (Black Hymnal) “Lord, Listen to Your Children”**

**TO HEAR GOD’S WORD**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON: Jeremiah 31:31-34 (CEB)**

**CHILDRENS MOMENTS:**

**GOSPEL LESSON: John 12:20-33 (CEB)**

**HYMN: #707 (Blue Hymnal) “Hymn of Promise”**

**MESSAGE: “Bear Fruit”**

**CHOIR: “Wade in the Water”**

arr. Mark Hayes

**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”**

**TO BE SENT FORTH**

**HYMN: #577 (Blue Hymnal) “God of Grace and God of Glory”**

**\*BLESSING:**

“Restore us to the joy of your salvation. Sustain in us willing spirits.”

(Psalm 51:12)

**Let us go forth serving God with grateful hearts and energetic lives. Amen.**

**POSTLUDE:**

**PRAYER FOCUS**

For those keenly aware of the times of stumbling in life. Pray for hope-filled new beginnings. Pray for God’s mercy to heal the wounds.

Remind us again, O God, of your loving presence, from which nothing can separate us.

Worship should be a time of joy. Therefore, we joyously welcome all who have come to praise God.

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

**Ministers: All the People**

**Keyboardist: Sharon Fangsrud**

**Reader: Roberta Hartog**

**Pastor: Roger Grafenstein**

**Choir Director: Tyler Eliason**

**Ushers: Tom & Pat Newgard**