

MEMBERS: 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 a blind e-mail so no one else sees your e-mail address. If you are receiving regular e-mails from the Church, it is not necessary to write it in again.

VISITORS: 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: Emily—Dawn Houser

PRAYER CHAIN



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

HANGING OF THE GREENS



Hanging of the Green service, the first Sunday of Advent is on November 29th. Readers are needed for this service. There is a sign up sheet on a table in the Narthex.

NEW TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

The new address and phone director for 2016 will be printed in January. If you have moved, or changed phone numbers, please let the office know.

ADVENT LUNCHEON



The Women of Grace Annual Advent Luncheon is Saturday, December 5th at 11:00 am. Tickets are on sale until Sunday, November 29th for ONLY \$5.00, and \$2.50 for anyone under the age of 2. Please see JoAnn Oelke, Phyllis Murray, Linda Davis or Judy Anderson to purchase tickets. Please let someone know if you need a gluten free meal.

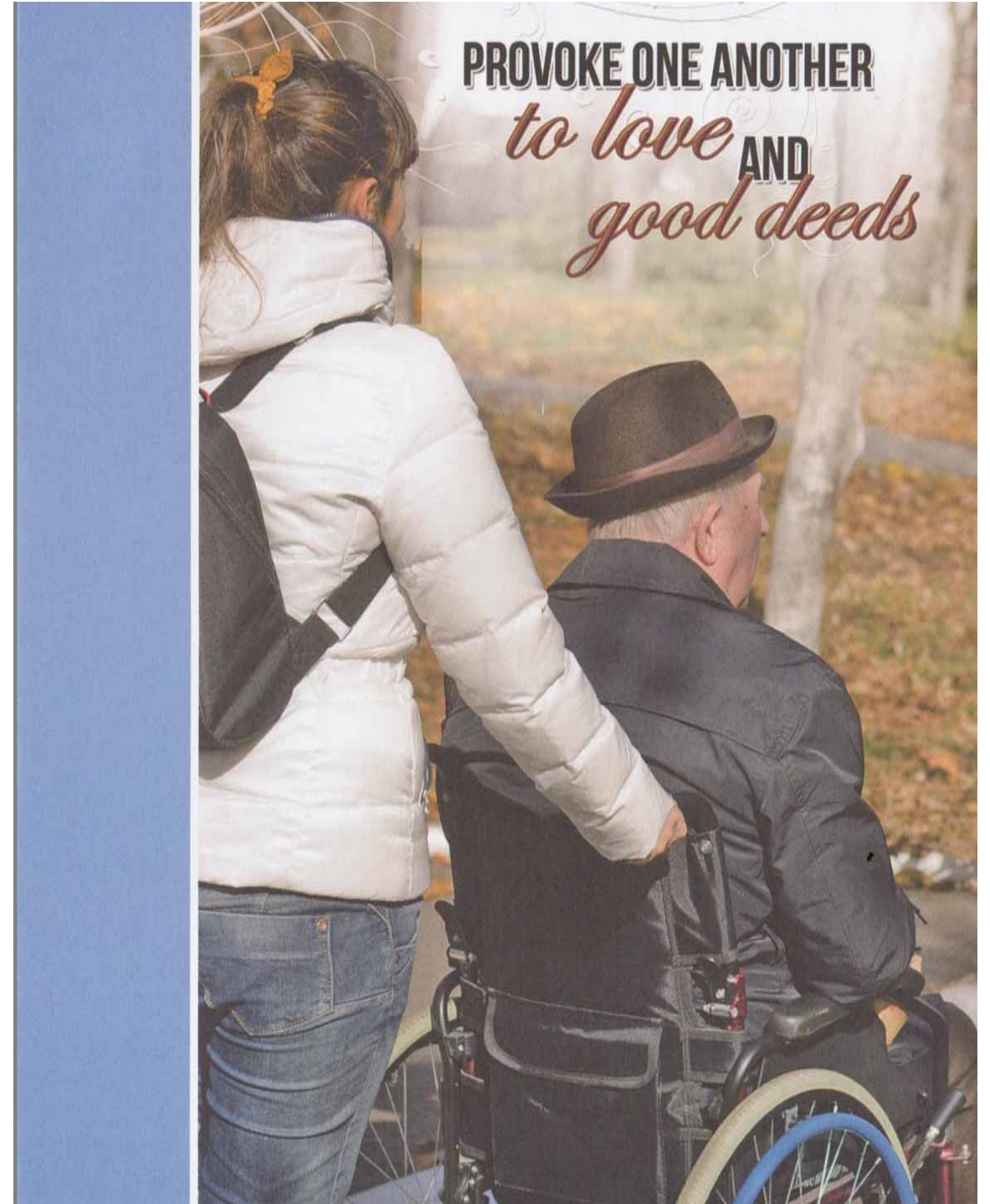
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GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 15, 2015

25th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM

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

WE GATHER TO PRAISE AND PRAY

GATHERING PRELUDE:

Three Chimes calls us to our gathering announcements and Worship Announcements

*Indicates those able may stand

PRAYER PRELUDE:

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** (a prayer based on Isaiah 30:19-21)

People who seek to live faithfully, may your tears be dry.

God is a God of mercy.

God hears your prayers and will answer you.

The bread of distress and the water of oppression are not the meal our Lord has shown us.

The Lord hasn't chosen to remain hidden.

We have seen Christ's ways.

We have heard Christ's whisper on the path.

God's voice reminds us of the way even when we stray.

Come, seek God's ways. Listen for God's voice. Let Christ be our guide.

Amen.

***HYMN: #2031 (Black Hymnal) "My Life Is in You, Lord"**

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD & RESPOND

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 28:18-20 (CEB)

NEW MEMBER RECEPTION & BAPTISM: #33 (Blue Hymnal)

Warren and Natalie Brown (Landan, Zander, Evy)

CHILDRENS MOMENTS:

HYMN: #601 (Blue Hymnal) "Thy Word"

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 4:35-41 (CEB)

CHOIR: "They Shall Soar Like Eagles" - words & Music by Laura Manzo

MESSAGE: "Navigating Life's Distractions: Who Is at the Helm?"

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 LORD'S PRAYER: #895 (Blue Hymnal)

TO RESPOND AND GIVE

OFFERING: For all that we've been given we offer our thanks. We offer the work of our hands, the words of our mouths, and the love of our hearts. We pray God's blessing upon all we share—that it may be used to spread the love of Christ. May the Lord bless us with the generosity that leads to heart-felt gratefulness for all God's gifts to us.

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

TO BE SENT FORTH

***HYMN: #374 (Blue Hymnal) "Standing on the Promises"**

***BLESSING:**

May God's grace fill our hearts and shape our lives.

May Jesus' way be our vision and guide our footsteps.

May the Spirit's presence be our strength and empower our serving.

May we be faithful now and through eternity. Amen.

POSTLUDE:



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 \$19,507 or \$104.31 each member based on a membership of 187. Generous givers are already **Paving The Way** to meeting that goal, with \$4,651.25 given to date.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Ministers: All the People

Organist: Mark Forkner

Pianist: Sharon Fangsrud

Reader: Judith Eide

Pastor: Roger Grafenstein

Violinist: Kay Forkner

Choir Director: Kyle Schwartz

Ushers: Jerry Eide and

Judith Eide