

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 \$21,756 or \$143.15 a year or \$12.00 a week, for each member based on a membership of 152. Generous givers are already **Paving The way** to meeting that goal, with \$1,388.70 given to date.

OFFUTT SCHOLARSHIP



Applications for the 2019 Offutt Scholarship are available. These scholarships are available to members of Grace UMC and their families for post-secondary education for the coming academic year. Applications are due in the office by June 1, 2019. These funds are generated by a generous gift from the Ron and Lidia Offutt family to the Grace UMC Endowment Fund. The applications are available in the

Church officer and at the Church website: www.graceumcmoorhead.org under forms. If you have any questions about the Scholarships or about the Grace UMC Endowment and its activities, please contact Paul Anderson.

LOVE OFFERING

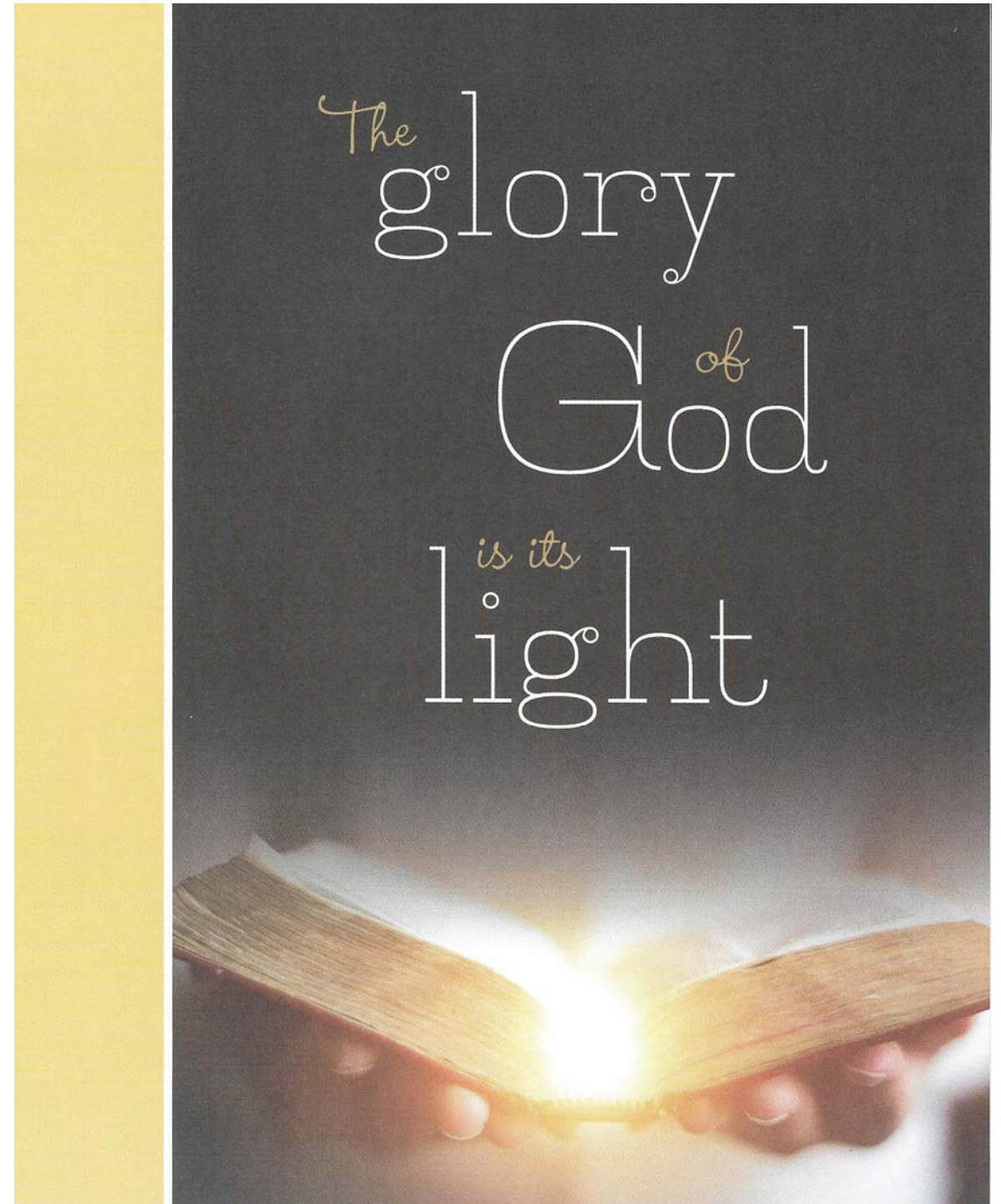


On Sunday, May 26th the Fellowship Coffee fund will go to the Love Offering. Each year at the Annual Conference a Love offering is taken for missions to benefit international, national, and local mission projects. This year's offer will include two parts - a financial offering and an offering of names. The financial offering will go to Lao Samphan Methodist Church, Volunteer Lawyers Network and Volunteers in Mission Scholarships. The names will consist of acquaintances who do not know Christ, whom we are committed to "dare to reach" through our prayers, witness, love and hope.

DONUTS



Buttermilk Donuts will be made on May 29th. To place an order for donuts, call the office, 233-1857. There is also a sign up sheet on the table in the Narthex.



GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

May 26, 2019

6th Sunday of Easter

WE GATHER TO PRAISE, PRAY AND BLESS

Three Chimes call us to our gathering announcements and worship.

GATHERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE:

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

P: "Let God grant us grace and bless us.

C: Let God make his face shine upon us—so the Lord may be known to all.

P: Let us thank you, God. Let all people thank you!

C: Let us celebrate and sing with joy—because the Lord is just and good."

P: Come into God's presence. Let God's embrace sustain you each day.

C: Amen.

HYMN: #698

God of the Ages

PRAYER: A MEMORIAL WEEKEND PRAYER

Loving God, we give thanks for those who have blessed and protected us. For parents and grandparents who nurtured us before we could care for ourselves, thank you. For teachers and guides who inspired us and guided us on our journey, thank you. For those who modeled faith and have reached heaven's shore, thank you. For those who served our country and now rest from their service, we give you thanks. Remind us, every day, that the noblest part of being human is to sacrifice self for the love of others. Amen.

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON:

Revelation 21:1-6 & 22:1-5 (CEB)

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS:

SPECIAL MUSIC: "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Nancy Herman

GOSPEL LESSON:

John 14:23-29 (CEB)

HYMN: #670

Go Forth for God

MESSAGE: "Christ's Peace Is Meant for You"

TO RESPOND AND GIVE

JOYS, CONCERNS AND PRAYER:

SHARED PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER: #895

OFFERING: "Ashokan Farewell"

***DOXOLOGY: #95**

Praise God

TO BE SENT FORTH

***HYMN: #706**

Soon and Very Soon

***BLESSING:**

Psalm 29:11

Let the Lord give strength to all who faithfully follow! Let the Lord bless the people with peace!

Amen.

POSTLUDE:

PRAYER FOCUS

Pray for the families and friends of those who have lost loved ones this past year in the line of duty; be it military service, law enforcement, or other emergency-response roles.

WELCOME

On this Memorial Day weekend, we're glad you have come to worship. May our eternal God bless you abundantly with his love. Welcome!

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Our hearts burn with the need and desire to know you, Creator of all. Bless us as we open our souls to you.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Ministers: All the People

Pastor: Roger Grafenstein

Keyboardist: Sharon Fangsrud

Choir Director: Jack Johnston

Reader: Esther Vollbrecht

Ushers: