



## 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 \$21,757 or \$143.15 a year or \$12.00 a month, for each member based on a membership of 154. Generous givers are already **Paving The way** to meeting that goal, with \$130.34 given to date.

### Events for the week of January 26th, - February 2, 2020

#### Sunday, January 26th, 2020 - 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

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

#### Monday, January 27th, 2020

#### Tuesday, January 28th, 2020

#### Wednesday, January 29th, 2020

- 6:00 am Donut Making
- 6:00 pm GraceKids Supper and Ministry
- 7:00 pm Choir

#### Thursday January 30th, 2020

- 9:00 am Bulletin deadline
- 7:00 pm Cub Scouts

#### Friday, January 31st, 2020

#### Saturday, February 1st, 2020

#### Sunday, February 2nd- 4th Sunday after Epiphany

- 9:00 am Adult Sunday School
- 10:00 am Worship w/ Communion
- 10:15 am Children's Sunday School

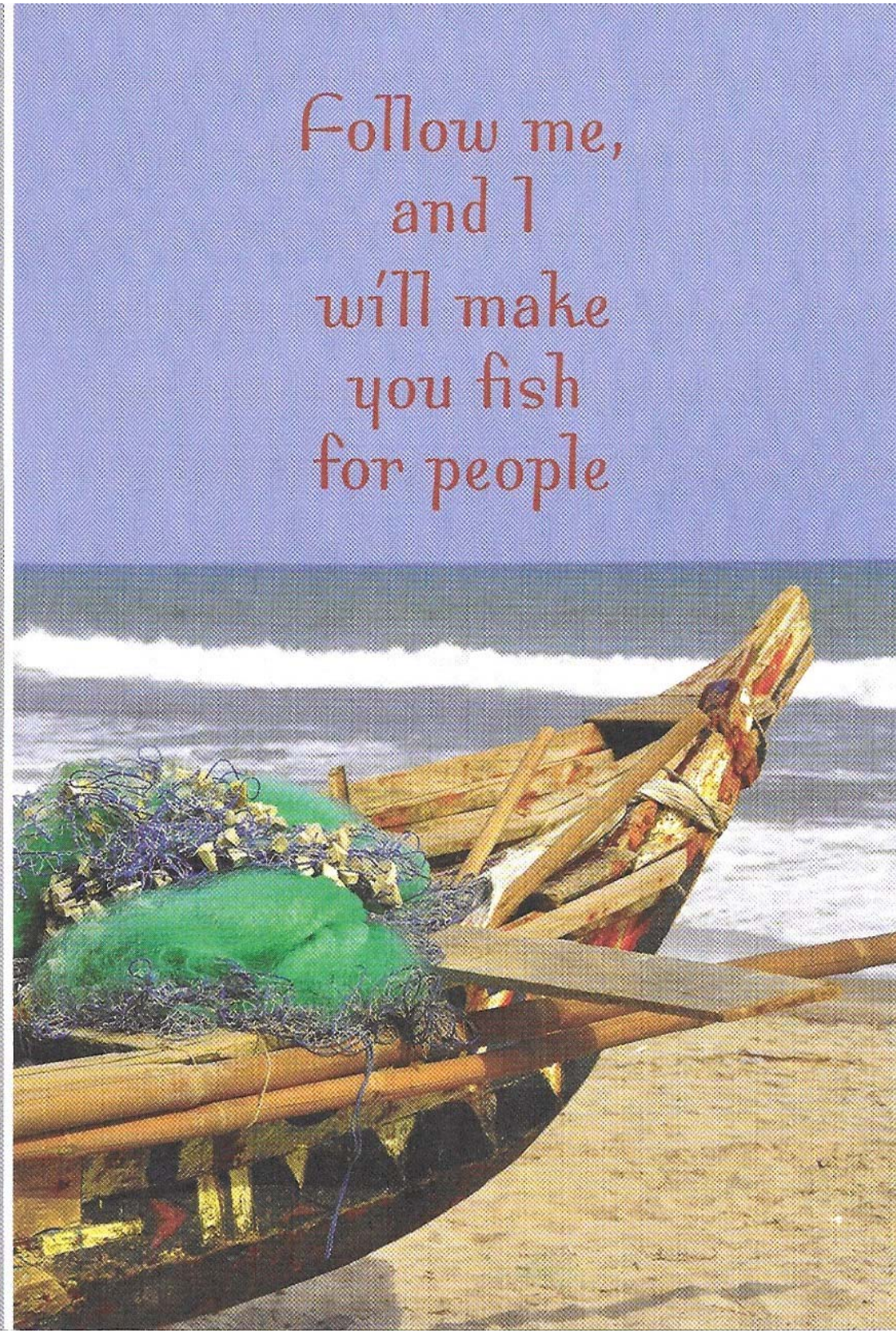
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**GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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

**January 26, 2020**

**3rd Sunday after the Epiphany**

**WE GATHER TO PRAISE, PRAY AND BLESS**

*Three Chimes call us to our gathering announcements and worship.*

**GATHERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*Stand if you are able**

**PRELUDE:**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:** *Psalm 27:1, 4-5a*

“The Lord is my light and my salvation.

**Should I fear anyone?**

The Lord is a fortress protecting my life.

**Should I be frightened of anything?**

I have asked one thing from the Lord.

**It’s all I seek—to live in the Lord’s house all the days of my life.**

Seeing the Lord’s beauty is enough for me.

**God will shelter me during troubling times.”**

Let worship remind us, here and now, we are in God’s ever-present care.

**Amen.**

**\*HYMN: #405**

*Seek Ye First*

**TO HEAR GOD'S WORD**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON:**

**Isaiah 9:1-4 (CEB)**

**JOYS, CONCERNS AND PASTORAL PRAYER:**

**LORD'S PRAYER: #895**

**CHILDREN'S MOMENTS:**

**HYMN: #2236**

*Gather Us In*

**GOSPEL LESSON:**

**Matthew 4:12-23 (CEB)**

**CHOIR:** *Faith, Hope and Joy*

arr. James Culvert

**MESSAGE:** "We Are NOT Alone: Jesus Steps into our Emptiness"

**TO RESPOND AND GIVE**

**OFFERING:**

**\*DOXOLOGY: #95**

*Praise God*

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

**TO BE SENT FORTH**

**\*HYMN: #557**

*Blest Be the Tie that Binds*

**\*BLESSING: #887**

**Affirmation from Romans 8:35, 37-39**

**POSTLUDE:**

**PRAYER FOCUS**

Please pray for those experiencing a recent void in their lives—an empty chair in the home, a broken familiar routine, or a newfound spiritual unease when the former ways of feeling close to God don’t seem to be working. Pray for comfort and a renewed sense of God’s nearness.

**WELCOME**

Welcome to worship this winter morning! As brothers and sisters in Christ, we gather to praise his name, hear his Word and be strengthened to share his love with others.

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

We lay our cares before you, Jesus, trusting you to lead us in right paths. Help us sense your guidance in this worship service.



**DONUTS**

Homemade Buttermilk Donuts will be made on January 29th, 2020. To place an order for donuts, call the office, 233-1857. There is also a sign up sheet on the table in the Narthex.

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

**Ministers: All the People**

**Pastor: Roger Grafenstein**

**Keyboardist: Sharon Fangsrud**

**Choir Director: Jack Johnston**

**Reader: Judith Eide**

**Ushers: Jerry Eide**