

# Serving this week....

## February 5

Preaching Pastor Williams  
Presiding Pastor Langsdorf  
Organist Burton Bumgarner  
Counters Ginny Meyer, Ron Korner, Irene Austin  
Bus Driver Kevin Havener

### 8:15 AM Service

Greeters Diane & Bob Hatfield, Tom Morgan  
Lay Reader Barbara Kurdelmeier  
Communion Irene & Chuck Carlson, Diane & Paul Sellers  
Ushers Russ Gibbs, Flip Fisher, Dorwin Larsen, Al Anderson, Sandi Liese  
Sound Tech Brian Hahn

### 9:45 AM Service

Cantor Chris Ring  
Greeters Bev & OB Kelley, Ann Harrison  
Lay Reader Mary-Lou Leidheiser  
Communion Bev & OB Kelley, Rhoda Hargrave, Mary-Lou Leidheiser  
Ushers Irv Lanquist, Marie Scarlett, Jason Blackwell,  
Chris Drake, Irene Robertson  
Sound Tech Walter Gruss

### 11:15 AM Service

Greeters Susan & Bill Scholz, Joe King  
Host Team Reed & Francina Neal with Richard & Donna Christensen  
Sound Tech Dave Carver

**H-Team for the week of 2/6-12: Team 7** Maria Hetzel, Louise Beck, Margie Brune, Barbara Fountain, Catherine Langsdorf, Norma Wegman, Kathie & Dan Fredrick, Joyce & Ron Brandon, Mary Warwick, Els Wolters

**Altar Guild on 2/4-2/5:** Jean Lightner, Rhoda Hargrave, Nancy Bell, Barbara Lang, Brenda Decker, Jennifer Hunt

## **First Sunday Pocket Change Offering is Souper Bowl Sunday**

The February offering will be for Souper Bowl Sunday. Offerings can be placed in the soup pot of your favorite Super Bowl team, either NY Giants or NE Patriots. Canned goods for IAM are also being collected. Thrivent for Lutherans will match a portion of money donated. Checks can be made to “Blue Ridge Chapter – Thrivent for Lutherans.” Money will be divided between IAM and the Rescue Mission. Thanks for caring & sharing!

## **Epiphany Sermon Series: “Revealing Jesus”**

Epiphany means “manifestation”. On the day of Epiphany (Jan. 6), the Church celebrates the revelation of Christ to the Gentiles – that is, to all nations as symbolized by the arrival of the magi from the East. The season of Epiphany teaches us about the beginning of Jesus’ ministry as we read stories of how his identity as the Christ is revealed. The season culminates with the majestic and mystical Transfiguration of Jesus, giving Peter, James and John a glimpse of Jesus’ true identity. During the season of Epiphany, our sermons will help us examine how we reveal Jesus in our ministry. The sermon series will focus on the Core Values and Purpose of Grace.

### **February 5** *Souper Bowl Sunday*

Core Value: Serving others with the heart of Jesus

### **February 12**

Purpose: Transforming Lives through Christ

## **GRACE SECOND SUNDAY LUNCH INFO**

This month’s Second Sunday Congregational lunch will be held on **Sunday, February 12** directly following the 11:15 worship service. This lunch is open to all and the youth help to serve the meal. We will also be celebrating our February 80<sup>th</sup>, 90<sup>th</sup>, and above birthday milestones.

This month’s menu is chicken or beef tostadas, salad, and ice cream for dessert. Please join us for this wonderful cross T generational event.

## ***Valentine's DAY SPECIAL-5 night class!***

Learn the 5 LOVE LANGUAGES & transform all your relationships - Wed @ 5:45 pm  
April 18, 25, May 2,9,16. Sign up for your Valentine and you!

### **ADULTSUNDAYSCHOOLOPTIONS-**

Classes are open to all adults from 9:45 to 10:45am

- † SPANISH BIBLE STUDY in Room #229
- † THE WIRED WORD - current events are discussed in a biblical context.  
Rm. #221
- † LECTONARY BIBLE STUDY – A study of the week's lessons in Room #228.

## Gifts Ministry:

Thanks to all who volunteered last week.

Contact Karen-Eve in office/x316 or [graceplace@bellsouth.net](mailto:graceplace@bellsouth.net) for more information or to volunteer

**Blood Drive Co-Coordinator:** Help pick up the baton of organizing our wonderful Blood Drive! You need computer & organizational skills and to be available during some business hours to meet with the Red Cross. Please see Dick Miley (692-7496) for more information or Karen-Eve.

**Hospitality** needs members to cook or bake as needed; to serve at memorials and Oasis; and to set up Sunday coffee

**PLACE WORKSHOP MARCH 24**, Saturday, 930-430- sign up in lobby

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to celebrate the life and faith of Isabel Kranetz at her memorial service on Saturday, Feb. 11, at 2:00pm, here at Grace. A reception in Stull Hall will follow the service.



## Stephen Ministry Moment

"Humor and laughter are not necessarily the same thing. Humor permits us to see into life from a fresh and gracious perspective. We learn to take ourselves more lightly in the presence of good humor. Humor gives us the strength to bear what cannot be changed, and the sight to see the human under the pompous."

—Joan Chittister

*Stephen Ministers realize that appropriate good humor can sometimes be valuable in their relationship with their Care Receiver (italics by Bob).*

**OASIS ADULT CLASSES** Pastor Ken is leading the Bible study, "**Down + Out - Where Grace Takes You**" following supper. Join us for this study that "reintroduces you to the life-changing reality of God's promises, and points the way to a completely different view of life in the light of where grace takes you." Newcomers welcome!

**OASIS Dinners** Dinner is served at 4:45pm. Please sign up for Oasis Dinners at the sign-up Window by 3pm on Mondays.

**Feb 8**—Kids' Meal: same  
BBQ, pinto beans, coleslaw, peach cobbler

**Feb 15**—Kids' Meal: same  
Baked ham, scalloped potatoes,  
fruit salad, green beans, ice cream

**Feb 22**—ASH WEDNESDAY--NO OASIS

**Feb 29**—Lenten meals begin  
Kids' Meal: same  
Chicken noodle soup or vegetarian  
vegetable, salad, cookies

## OWLs

**February 23 (Thurs.) Grove Park Inn** for a guided historic tour of the inn. We'll lunch with Tony and Linda Pezzimenti at their restaurant, City Hall Snack Shop, in downtown Asheville. 10:15am to 3:00pm. Cost is \$12 and buy your own lunch. See OWLs bulletin board for details and sign-up sheet.

## ***Wellness Ministry***

**Blood Pressure Screening** February 27 from 11:30-1:00 in the Health and Wellness Office – Rm. 220

**Exercise Classes Resuming!** Tuesday and Thursday, from 9:00-10:00am. Come join us for a video-led strength, stretching, and cardiovascular workout safe for all fitness levels. Please bring a mat, water bottle and a smile.

**Road to Emmaus** Our bags are packed, but our departure has been delayed! The Road to Emmaus - Walking and Wellness program has been put on hold until April. We'll keep you updated!

**Financial Peace University Course** beginning **Monday, February 20, from 6 to 8pm**. To register and purchase the \$99 life membership kit, go to Grace's webpage ([gracelutheranncc.com](http://gracelutheranncc.com)) and click on the Financial Peace logo. OR you may attend the first class for FREE without obligation! Come and see what FPU has to offer you and your financial situation. Sign up and more information is located in the foyer.

**HELP Mainstay!** The Purple Ribbon resale store has expanded its days of operation, and desperately needs volunteers. We hope some of your church members or classes would be willing to help. Our greatest need at present is Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. As you know, we are a domestic violence shelter, and over 20% of our income is derived from sales.

## **Need for Blood Donations Again Critical**

Red Cross headquarters in Charlotte has reported that the need for blood is now critical! Hospitals' need for blood is not being fully met. Call the Red Cross at 693-5605 to find the location of a nearby blood drive. Grace's 25th annual Operation Blood Drive is on June 21; please mark your calendar.

# Youth & Young Adult Ministry

Contact: Anne Monroe 704.604.3772

graceyfd@bellsouth.net

- **ELCA NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING PARTICIPANTS**-- These participants have a special "Saints" meeting required for the Gathering TODAY from 12:30-2:30. A sandwich lunch will be provided for this group after the 11:15am service.

## **LOOKING AHEAD**

- **February 19:** Youth Sunday Practice #2! Musicians meet at 5pm—bring your instruments; all other youth meet from 6:00-7:00pm to practice parts. Youth Sunday is March 25.
- **February 24-26:** NC Lutheran Youth Organization Synod Retreat in Greensboro, NC. 34 of our Youth and 8 adults will be attending this fun weekend of fellowship with other Lutheran teens in our state and will be staying in the Embassy Suite Hotel.

## **JOURNEY—MINISTRY WITH OUR YOUNG ADULTS**

- SERVICE EVENT—TODAY---after the 11:15 worship—please help with counting, sorting, and packing all our collected cans from this morning's 'Souper Bowl' project for IAM and the Rescue Mission.
- WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP EVENT—Wednesday, February 22, meet at the church for our evening Ash Wednesday service at 7pm and after the service we will go out to a late dinner together.



## **Altar Flowers**

**Given to the Glory of God and in celebration of our 62<sup>nd</sup> anniversary,**

by Norma & Steve Shuford

**Given to the Glory of God and in honor of Ron Ontko,**

by Carol, Julie and Andrew Ontko

## **Children & Family Ministry**

Mary Mujica, Director of Children and Family Ministries gracedcfm@bellsouth.net

**Sunday school is downstairs in room 132. Lutheridge SS today, Feb 5th.**

**“Widow’s Offering, Feb 12, 19, 26.**

**Ez Child ID – February 19<sup>th</sup> during all services.** Sign up when you drop your child off at Sunday school starting this week! All ages can participate. Free of charge; will take about 5 minutes – Each child will get re-printable ID cards, digital photo & video, digital fingerprints, used by law enforcement. (Sponsored by Thrivent Financial)

We have begun practicing *Rescue in the Night* a musical about Daniel and the lion’s den Wednesday evenings in Children’s Choir. The performance date is April 29th at 6pm in Stull Hall. All children who can come to practice on Wednesdays from 6 to 7pm are welcome to be a part of the Musical; there are no auditions, but the children who come regularly will have speaking parts.

**Fri 2/3 - Playgroup at STJ’s Inflation Station. 11:45am - 2:00pm** - Bring a sack lunch.

**Thurs 2/23 - Preschool Play Date at the Health Adventure.** Lunch nearby after. Contact Cindy Simons

### **Tuesday, Feb 21<sup>st</sup> - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner & Cross + Generational**

**Devotional intro to Lent-** The children’s Ministry parents will be preparing the pancakes, so if anyone would like to volunteer to be on the kitchen crew, let Mary Mujica know. All members of the congregation are invited. Our pastors will share a devotion on the importance of understanding Lent as a family. There is a take home children’s devotional chain each family will make. Please sign up so we know how much food to prepare. We will take up a free will offering to cover the cost.

**February 11<sup>th</sup> –Sneakers (K-2) & Squeakers (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>) Outing** – Team Eco on Main Street, Hendersonville (meet at GLC at 1pm, we will return at 3pm; the children will tour the aquarium, and enjoy an interactive class on turtles. We will get ice cream at Kilwin’s. Cost is \$5 a child with a \$10 max per family.

**Save the Date: VBS – Trinity Presbyterian, June 25<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> – last day will be a picnic at East Flat Rock Park**

# Serving Next Week –

## February 12

Preaching Pastor Langsdorf  
Presiding Pastor Williams  
Organist Burton Bumgarner  
Counters Ann & Bill Warncke, Mike Dacko  
Bus Driver Scott Frederiksen

### 8:15 AM Service

Greeters Layne & Tom Kasischke, Marion & Paul Rickert  
Lay Reader Ken Etterman  
Communion Carol & Ron Ontko, Jim Stockman, Marion Rickert  
Ushers Mike Dacko, Tom Morgan, Suzie Stockman, June & Dave Ritchie,  
Richard Mummert  
Sound Tech David Haack

### 9:45 AM Service

Greeters Ed Klein, Els Wolters  
Lay Reader OB Kelley  
Communion Rita Archis, Marie Scarlett  
Ushers Joe Copeland, Sandy & Joe Jardot, Bill Warncke, Jim Howard  
Sound Tech Gene Feuerstein

### 11:15 AM Service

Greeters Gayle & Jud Etherton, Denise & Nick Pryor  
Host Team Joe King, Eric Jackson, Kyle & Kameron Kaddouri, Aurora & Said Solano  
Sound Tech Chris Smith

**H-Team for the week of 2/13-19: Team 8** Billie Slear, Susan Albers, Carol Gillett, Sandy Jardot, Barbara King, Sharon Wohlt

**Altar Guild on 2/11-2/12:** Marie Scarlett, Rheta Luy, Ursula Zahn, Barbara Lang, Brenda Decker, Jennifer Hunt