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**COMMUNITY
- of GRACE -**
LUTHERAN CHURCH

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To Be and Make Disciples

FEBRUARY-MARCH 2020

HELLO

FROM SENIOR PASTOR DARRIN VICK

STAY CURRENT, STAY CONNECTED

One of our core values at Community of Grace Lutheran Church (CGLC) is that Jesus makes us family. In my experience of family life, I have found it is hard to stay current on what is happening in my family if I don't spend time intentionally connecting with each member.

It is my hope that, as you review each page, you will feel a sense of connection to our church family and you will discover where God might be inviting you to "plug-in."



So, stay current, stay connected, and welcome to the family!

By grace alone,

THE APRIL-MAY CURRENT DEADLINE IS MARCH 5

Stay in touch!


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WORSHIP

TWO STYLES

Every Sunday our Contemporary Services meet in the Fellowship Hall. They are more informal services with a worship band lifting praise through current Christian music.

Our Traditional Service - with time-honored hymns and rich liturgical texts - is held in the Sanctuary.

CONTEMPORARY SERVICES

9 & 10:30 a.m. | Fellowship Hall

TRADITIONAL SERVICE

9 a.m. | Sanctuary

STREAM LIVE OR LATER

livestream.com/gracepeoplemn

NEED A LIFT?

Bus rides are available to the 9 a.m. Sunday services the first and third week of each month.

Contact: Information Desk
hello@gracepeople.church



SERMON SERIES

SPIRITUAL BODYBUILDING

January 5-February 16

We'll be building spiritual muscle in January and February. This series teaches us about the gifts of the Holy Spirit and how we can put them to work.

OUR CORE VALUES

March 1 - April 12

What does it look like to be and to make disciples of Jesus?

The five core values of our faith family paint a picture of what it looks like to live a life of discipleship to Jesus. Join us as we lift up those Biblical values throughout the Lenten season.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

10 a.m. | Sanctuary
Traditional Worship*

7 p.m. | Sanctuary
Blended Worship*

Communion & Ashes at both services.

WEDNESDAY LENT SERVICES

MARCH 4 - APRIL 1

Fruits of the Spirit

4 p.m. | Sanctuary
Traditional Worship*

6:30 p.m. | Sanctuary
Blended Worship*

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICES

THURSDAY, APRIL 9

5:30 & 7 p.m. | Sanctuary*

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

7 p.m. | Sanctuary*

EASTER SUNDAY

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

7*, 9 & 10:30 a.m. | Sanctuary
Traditional Worship

7:30* & 10:30 a.m. | Fellowship Hall
Contemporary Worship

*No nursery or childcare

SENIOR HIGH-RISE SERVICES

Monthly Holy Communion Services are conducted each first Wednesday for people living at area senior living communities.

Pastor Al Valerius is also available to visit and offer communion to those unable to come to church.

**CONCORDIA ARMS
MAPLEWOOD**

10 a.m. | First Wednesday

**THE BOULDERS
WHITE BEAR LAKE**

1 p.m. | First Wednesday

Contact: Pastor Al Valerius
al@gracepeople.church

KIDS



KIDS IN WORSHIP

FEBRUARY 2 & MARCH 1

Join us for the HISKids Children's Message during services on the first Sunday of each month.

HISKids Pathfinders Nursery (0 to 3 year-olds) is available during services all year round.

Contact: Victoria Mathisen
victoria@gracepeople.church

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

11:45 a.m. | CGLC

Communion training is for children ready to take this step. Each child must be accompanied by a parent. Lunch will be provided.

Contact: Pastor Angie Way
angie@gracepeople.church

EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, APRIL 4

11:45 a.m. | CGLC

Our Easter Egg Hunt is geared toward preschoolers through 6th grade and their families. A DJ rocks the house. This event is free, indoor and open to the public.

Contact: Britta Maly
britta@gracepeople.church

PARENTING 226

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

5-7 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

Come for a kid-friendly dinner. Stay for a lively discussion about keeping Christ at the center of your parenting. Childcare is provided while you're getting some answers.

Contact: Britta Maly
britta@gracepeople.church



STUDENTS

MISSION TRIP TO DULUTH REGISTRATION

Students currently in 9th-12th grades will be serving in the shadow of the iconic Aerial Lift Bridge. The trip is scheduled for June 28-July 3. Space is limited.

Register at: gracepeople.church/students.



MIDDLE SCHOOL GAME NIGHT

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

6-9 p.m. | CGLC

Join us for this mini version of the Midnigher! Bring your friends and get ready for a fun night of games and food.

COST: \$5 PER PERSON

REFUGE

DROP-INS ARE WELCOME

Wednesdays | 6:30-8 p.m.

Refuge is the umbrella for all student activities (grades 7-12). It meets during the school year and offers events all year round.

This is a safe place for teens to learn how to apply biblical principles to their daily lives. They play games, worship, and connect in small groups.

SCHEDULE CHANGE

FEBRUARY 26

No Refuge or Confirmation on Ash Wednesday. High school students are invited to Applebees afterward.

Contact: Melinda Kern
melinda@gracepeople.church

STUDENT FUNDRAISERS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23 - PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, MARCH 22 - BRUNCH

All donations go directly to the High School Mission Trip. We greatly appreciate your support.

Students can sign up to participate at gracepeople.church/students.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN & BREAK OUT NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

5:30-8:30 p.m. | Meet at CGLC

Students in Confirmation are required to participate to be Confirmed. Students in 10th-12th Grades will be heading out to Feed My Starving Children in Coon Rapids.

SPRING BREAK EVENT

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11

Students in grades 7-12 enjoying a staycation can participate in a fun night at Big Thrill Factory in Oakdale! There will be laser tag, go karts, and more.

COST: \$15, INCLUDES SOME ACTIVITIES

Register at: gracepeople.church/students.

CONFIRMATION

SEPTEMBER-MAY

Wednesdays | 6:30-8 p.m.

Students in seventh through ninth grades are on a fun faith journey.

CGLC confirms a student's faith after three years of participation in one of our confirmation small groups. Most students begin the journey in seventh grade, but we invite students wherever they are on their spiritual journey.

COST: \$20; INCLUDES BIBLE

HISKIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL

DROP-INS ARE WELCOME

9 & 10:30 a.m. | Check-in at North End of the Commons

HISKids Sunday school is for infants through grade six where children will grow and learn the heart of God through activities geared just for them.

We meet every second through fifth Sunday, with first Sundays dedicated to being in worship with families. Registration is available online at gracepeople.church/hiskids.

PATHFINDERS	VOYAGERS	ADVENTURERS	TRAILBLAZERS
Infants - Age Three	Age Three (potty-trained) - Kindergarten	Grades One - Three	Grades Four - Six

ADULTS

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

SUNDAYS
FEBRUARY 2 & MARCH 1

10-11 a.m. | Commons

Concerned your blood pressure might be creeping up? Our team of trained nurses are on hand to help you keep it in check.

Contact: Carol Watnemo
carol@gracepeople.church

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

THURSDAYS
FEBRUARY 6-APRIL 2

7 p.m. | CGLC

You can do this. You shouldn't feel overwhelmed and powerless over your money. You can be in control of it and your future.

COST: \$85

Contact: Greg Katorski
gregkatorski@gmail.com

LADIES' NIGHT OUT

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

6:30 p.m. | Joy's WBL Home

THURSDAY, MARCH 26

7 p.m. | Mad Jacks

Bring a new friend, or meet with old. A great way to connect with the women of CGLC.

RSVP to: Joy Erickson
joyerickson@edinarealty.com

J.U.L.I.E.T.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3

11:30 a.m. | Brick House, WBL

MONDAY, MARCH 2

11:30 a.m. | Acapulco, Maplewood

Just Us Ladies Informally Eating Together gathers the first Monday of the month. Sign up at the Information Desk.

Contact: Pastor Angie Way
angie@gracepeople.church

LEADER CARE NIGHT

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

6:30 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

This evening is designed specifically for group leaders. Pastors Angie and Darrin will lead the discussion as we prepare for the future of groups at CGLC.

Contact: Hannah Collins
hannah@gracepeople.church

CATALYST

FEBRUARY 23-MARCH 22

11:45 a.m.-1:15 p.m. | Lower Level Room 9

Learn more about CGLC and how to get connected during this five-Sunday course with Pastors Angie and Darrin. Catalyst is the pathway to membership and baptism.

Contact: Hannah Collins
hannah@gracepeople.church

R.O.M.E.O.

THURSDAYS

FEBRUARY 6 & MARCH 5

9 a.m. | Denny's, Maplewood

Retired Old Men Eating Out meets every first Thursday.

Contact: Pastor Al Valerius
al@gracepeople.church

SENIOR VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

11:30 a.m. | Commons

Come celebrate the greatest of all loves for you in Christ while sharing some fun entertainment by *Malt Shoppe Melodies* and great food! Sign up at the Information Desk.

COST: \$7 PER PERSON

Contact: Pastor Angie Way
angie@gracepeople.church

THE GREAT CHILI COOK-OFF

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

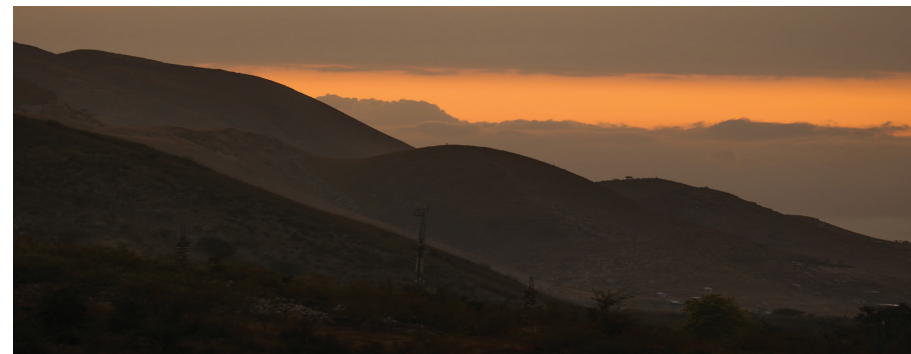
11:45 | Commons

Calling fans of the humble chili! Saddle-up for this all church competition. Small groups are encouraged to join forces for one great entry. Space is limited. Eat or compete? You decide!

Contact: Hannah Collins
hannah@gracepeople.church

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SERVICE



RAISING HOPE CAMPAIGN

JANUARY 26-FEBRUARY 23

We reluctantly canceled our Mission of Hope Service Trip this year, but we know our family in Haiti still needs our help. This is a five-week campaign of deliberate prayer and fundraising. The event culminates on Mission of Hope Sunday, February 23.

Learn more at: gracepeople.church/haiti

FUNERAL RECEPTION MINISTRY

There are many ways you can help... provide dessert, set up the Commons before the reception, or clean up following.

Contact Orlin Bandt
obandt@comcast.net

DIAPER DUTY MONTHLY

Diaper Duty is a wonderful service project that helps provide a month's supply of diapers for the 60+ children and parents at the Family Service Center.

Sign up at gracepeople.church/diaper-duty.

February - March 2020

CARDS FOR MISSIONS

SUNDAYS, FEBRUARY 2 & MARCH 1

8:45-11:45 a.m. | Commons

You can be part of this crafty mission to recycle used greeting cards by joining a workshop or purchasing the renewed cards.

Contact: Rose Gustafson
(651) 426-0331

SEWING KITS

ANYTIME

Stop by the Information Desk anytime it's convenient for you and pick up one of the kits available to sew when you have time. Kits include:

- Quilt Tops
- Baby Shirts
- Ronald McDonald House bags
- Lutheran World Relief School Bags
- Walker Bags

Return completed bags to back of the drawer taken from.

BONUS SATURDAY

SATURDAYS
FEBRUARY 22 & MARCH 28

8 a.m.-12:45 p.m. | White Bear Area Emergency Food Shelf

CGLC volunteers help hand out produce at the emergency food shelf one Saturday each month.

Sign up at:
gracepeople.church/hood

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9 6:30p Leader Care Night	10	11	12 6:30p Refuge & Confirmation	13 11:30 Sr Adult Valentines Party	14 1-3p Fare For All 6:30p Ladies' Night Out	15
16 Prayer Ministers Available 6:00p Jr. High Student Game Day	17	18	19 6:30p Refuge & Confirmation	20	21	22 8a Bonus Saturday
23 Mission of Hope Sunday Pancake Breakfast Catalyst begins	24	25	26 10a Ash Wednesday Worship 7p Ash Wednesday Worship	27	28 5-7p Parenting 226 Event	29
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