



Order of Worship: November 24th

Prelude (Jacki Kline)

Welcome/Announcements

Candle Lighting

Call to Worship

Opening Songs:

"Come, Ye Thankful People Come"

"Now, Thank We All Our God"

Scripture Readings:

Deuteronomy 8:7-18

Psalm 100

Luke 14:12-24

Unison Prayer

Song: *"Shout to the Lord"*

Message: "All Thanks Be to God"

Offering/Doxology/Offertory Prayer

Special Music: *"Do You Have Room?"--Jacki Kline*

Song: *"Give Thanks"*

Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer

Song: *"O Come, All Ye Faithful"*

Blessing

Postlude (Jacki Kline)

This Week at Grace:

Sunday:

Hanging of the Greens
10:30am

Monday:

"Prayers and Pens"
10am

Tuesday:

Bible study 9am
Handbells 430pm

Wednesday:

Book Study 4pm

Thursday:

Happy Thanksgiving!

If you are planning to meet at Grace UMC, you need to call ahead or email the office to reserve space and to get your meeting on the church calendar. To adjust for heating/cooling needs, Pastor Jen needs to know if/when you are meeting.

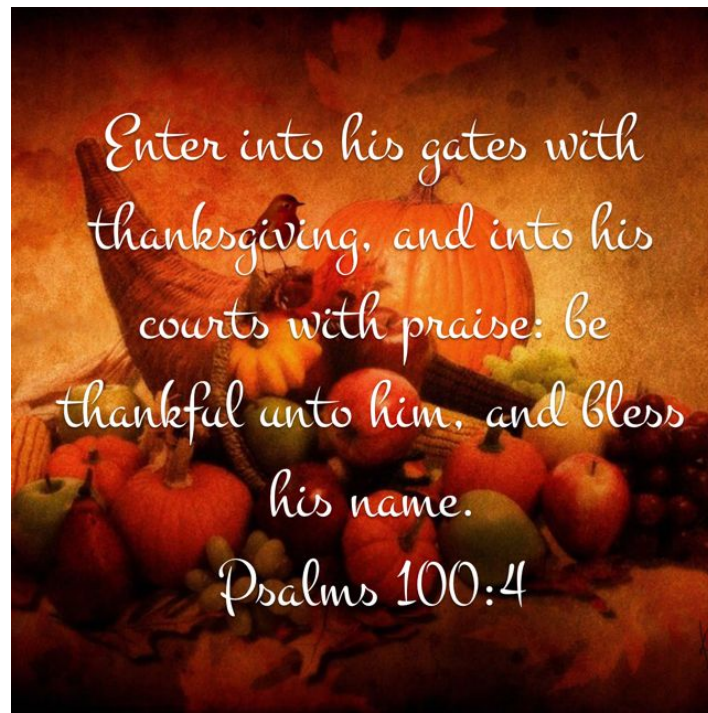
Church Office Phone:
218-568-5755

Grace Office Hours
Monday - Wednesday
9 a.m. to noon

Worship

Online--available at
www.graceumcpequotlakes.org

In-Person Worship
Sunday--9am



Unison Prayer

Bounteous God, We thank you for the many ways in which you have blessed our lives--with love, hope, friends, our church, and so many other things that we cherish. Help us to be a blessing for others--that they may come to know you and rejoice in your love. Give us hearts of courage and confidence to step out into the world in service, bringing hope where there is doubt, peace where there is strife, love where there is discord. These things we pray in Jesus' Name, AMEN.

Call to Worship

L: The time of gathering is here.

P: We have come from far and wide to offer our praise to God for God's many blessings to us.

L: Open your hearts to God's compassionate words of love.

P: Help us, O Lord, to receive your gifts in gratitude and to live lives of helpful service to others.

L: In Christ's Name, we pray.

All: AMEN.



Scriptures for next week:

Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Psalm 122

Luke 3:1-5

*When you give a banquet,
invite the poor, the crippled,*

*the lame, the blind,
and you will be blessed.*

Luke 14:13,14a



Mission Giving for November

Our Mission Focus for November is the *Lakes Area Food Shelf*. We make a special gift during this month to help build Thanksgiving meals for our neighbors who rely on the food shelf. It is estimated

that the minimum cost of a meal is \$28, and this is only because of the accessibility of the food shelf to special pricing and resources. We all know that \$28 would not go far at the local grocery store. Our gifts together can do great things!

If you are giving towards these gifts, please use one of the envelopes provided at the back of the sanctuary or make a note on your check with "November Mission".

Mark your calendars!

Children's Shop Day will be held on December 14th. Volunteers and gifts for all ages needed! Gifts may be new or very gently used, and you can start bringing them in and place them in the classroom labeled "Shop Day". Gift bags and tissue paper are also needed. Please see the sign-up sheet for opportunities to help with this yearly mission project.



"Here is a simple rule of thumb for behavior: Ask yourself what you want people to do for you; then grab the initiative and do it for them!"

LUKE 6:31 MSG



"Prayers and Pens with Pastor Jen"

I would like to have a few people join me to write cards for our church members and friends. My thought would be that we would gather every other week and besides writing notes we would also pray for our congregation and community. The coffee pot will be on, and I will be here, so I hope that some of you can join me!

We will try this again on Monday the 25th. 10am

**But thou shalt remember
the Lord thy God:
for it is he that giveth thee
power to get wealth,
that he may establish his covenant
which he sware unto thy fathers,
as it is this day.**

Deuteronomy 8:18



Hanging of the Greens

Let us plan to decorate the church for Christmas on
November 24th after worship/fellowship.
Many hands make light work, hope to see you there!
--Pastor Jen

Last week John Longnecker was gifted with a
quilt of honor from the Pequot Lakes American
Legion (note in the Echo Journal 11/20).





If you are a member, friend, or regular giver to Grace UMC, you should have received a letter last week with the church budget for 2025, along with a pledge card to be returned to the church soon. We ask you to prayerfully consider making a pledge so that we can plan appropriately to make our budget goals.

If you did not receive a letter and would like one, or need a pledge card, please let the office or Pastor Jen know.

The church office is open Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, 9am until noon. Ring the doorbell and we will come to open the south door!

--Church office phone: 218-568-5755

-- Church office (for all general inquiries and administrative/clerical duties)

graceumcpequotlakes@gmail.com

-- Pastor Jen Matthees – **jenmatt20@gmail.com**

-- Ann Hutchings-Congregational Care Assistant-**graceumccare@gmail.com**



Communication Reminder.....

The church office email (**graceumcpequotlakes@gmail.com**) should be used to inform the office about ALL events, meetings, or use of the building you would like to schedule so they can be added to the master calendar. This enables us to avoid scheduling conflicts and make sure the areas of the building are cooled/heated as needed. The official church calendar is maintained by volunteers. Additionally, did you know the church calendar is available on our website (**graceumcpequotlakes.org**)? There is a tab near the top, right side you can click to see the calendar!

Our Congregational Care Assistant, Ann Hutchings, is in the office on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 9:00-noon. Her role is to follow-up with our church family, through telephone calls, notes and email, as well as greet and welcome those who visit our church and assist with any needs. Ann's email (**graceumccare@gmail.com**) should be used for "congregational care" needs only.

If you have something that should be added to this newsletter from your group or mission, please speak with Pastor Jen or email the details to her at **jenmatt20@gmail.com**. The E-Grace is generally completed by noon on Thursdays, so articles need to be received by Thursday 10am at the very latest.

If you wish to connect with me directly and it is not an emergency, please know that I will respond as needed during pretty regular office hours. I am generally in the church on Tuesday (830-1130) and Wednesday (10-3) call the office to be sure, as my weeks and Mondays vary. You may find me here at other times too! I check my emails frequently

throughout the day, and this is the best way to contact me. **Friday is my day off** as needs allow.

-Pastor Jen



Important note

If you are mailing something to the church, ***you must use our P.O. Box for the address.*** We do not receive mail at the church, and if you use the physical church address it will get returned and could delay your notices to us or offerings.

**P.O. Box 276
Pequot Lakes, MN 56472**

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On our website you can find links to past services, a spot to watch this week's service, an online link to giving, and much more!

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