



Order of Worship: April 6th, 2025

Prelude (Jacki Kline)

**Welcome/Announcements
Food Drive Challenge Results**

Candle Lighting

Call to Worship

Opening Songs:
"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"
"The Summons"

Scripture Readings:
Acts 9:1-6, 10-16
Psalm 32:1-2, 6-11
1 Corinthians 15:50-57

Unison Prayer

Song: *"Here I Am, Lord"*

Message: "Paul"

Offering/Doxology/Offertory Prayer

Special Music: *"Just as I Am, I Come"*
(Jacki, Marsha)

Communion

Song: *"Jesus Paid it All"*

Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer

Song: *"Thine Be the Glory"*

Blessing

Postlude (Jacki Kline)

This Week at Grace

Tuesday:

Bible Study 9am
Bell Practice 130pm

Wednesday:

Bible Study 4-6pm

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.

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

God's anger lasts but a moment,
but God's favor lasts a lifetime.
The Lord forgives our
shortcomings
and sends deliverance through
Christ,
just as the Lord forgave Saul
and used him to spread the
gospel. Thanks be to God!
Amen.

Call to Worship

L: This is God's Day, and we are
invited to be a part of it.

**P: This is God's invitation: to come
and see what God is doing in the
world.**

L: This is what God is doing: bringing
good news to the poor,

**P: And proclaiming release to the
captives,**

L: Recovering sight for those who are
blind

**P: And letting the oppressed go
free.**

**ALL: Let us join in, and let us
worship God.**



Scriptures for next week:

Psalm 118:1-2,19-29
Luke 19:28-40
Luke 19:41-44



Psalms 32:1-2

Oh, what joy for those whose disobedience is forgiven,
whose sin is put out of sight! Yes, what joy for those
whose record the LORD has cleared of guilt,
whose lives are lived in complete honesty!

Mission Giving for April

Our mission giving for April is designated for the "Pastor Discretionary Fund". These monies are used to support local missions when a special ask is made that we are not promoting, gas cards for neighbors in need, and as an emergency fund for our members if an unexpected need arises.



If you are giving monetary donations towards this mission, please use one of the envelopes provided at the back of the sanctuary or make a note on your check with "April Missions".

Our March gifts to the Lakes Area Food Shelf have been delivered, and we are getting our final funding numbers together to report to all of you soon. Thank you so very much for your continued support of this mission and partnership that is a blessing to so many!



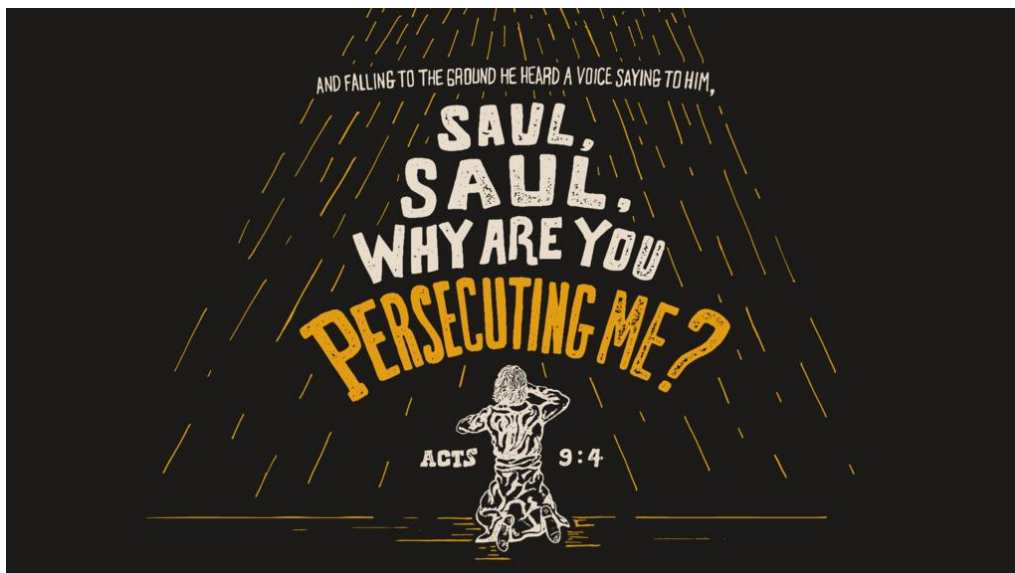
May Baskets

Grace Family,

Candy making time is almost here! The Grace Women in Faith May basket Mission Project of filling handmade baskets with candy is soon to begin.

Please sign up to make candy on the sheet posted on the UWF bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. Your help is so appreciated!

Basket pre-sales will begin April 6th, \$5 each, filled with candy, payment expected when ordering please.



*I hear the Savior say, thy strength indeed is small;
 child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me shine
 all in all. Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;
 sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white
 as snow. Lord, now indeed I find Thy
 power and Thine alone, can change the
 leper's spots and melt the heart of stone.*

JESUS PAID IT ALL

*Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; sin had left a
 crimson stain, He washed it white as snow. And when before
 in Him complete, soul to save, my lips
 Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; sin had left
 a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow. O
 Jesus died my debt and raised this life up
 from the dead. Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;
 sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.*



If you have a young adult who is graduating this year from high school, college, or trade school, could you please let the office know? We struggle to stay up to date with the big life events of many because schedules make church attendance difficult. We understand the demands that life brings and also ask for your grace if we miss something! We look forward to recognizing the achievements of those within our faith community on an upcoming Sunday.



The "Bells of Grace" choir is ringing together every Tuesday at 1:30 in the Bell room at Grace. The choir plays during one worship service per month.

Anyone interested in joining the handbell ministry is welcome to join, and Ardie Morris is offering "one on one" classes if you need a refresher or even to start from scratch! Contact Ardie at 218-330-8565 if interested.

The mission statement of this choir follows.

"The purpose of Grace handbell ministry is to enhance worship for the congregation and players by lifting up the Lord through music, and to bring about fellowship and joy among players."

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 (830-1030) and Thursday (10-3) call the office to be sure, as my weeks 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.

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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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