



Order of Worship: December 7th, 2025

Prelude/Postlude (Anna Wetrosky)

Welcome/Announcements

Candle Lighting

Call to Worship

Song: *"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"*
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Advent Prayer: UMH 577

Advent Song: *"Light the Advent Candle"*

Advent Candle Lighting

Song: *"Sanctuary"*

Scripture:

Malachai 3:1

Psalm 67

Mark 1:1-8

Unison Prayer

Song: *"In the Bleak Midwinter"*

Message:

"Room in Your Heart"

Offering/Doxology/Offertory Prayer

Song: *"Jesus, Name Above All Names"*

Communion

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Song: *"The King of Glory Comes"*

Blessing

The Week at Grace

Tuesday:

Bible Study 9am

Bell Practice 1030

Wednesday:

New Furnace Installation
645am

Saturday:

Santa's Bobbin' into town
fellowship in the park
4-6

615 lighted parade followed
by fireworks!

**If you are planning to meet
at Grace UMC, please 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

Tuesday

9 a.m. to noon

Wednesday

10-noon

Worship

Online--available at

www.graceumcpequotlakes.org

In-Person Worship

Sunday--9am

Unison Prayer

God of the wilderness and water,
you call us to prepare the way for your
Son.

Clear away the distractions that crowd our
minds.

Remove the fear, pride, and busyness
that fill our hearts.

Create in us a spacious place where your
peace can take root and grow.

Meet us here and now in this place of
worship and stay with us for a while.

It is in the name of the One who is our
Peacemaker that we pray.

Amen.

Call to Worship

L: Prepare the way of the Lord!

**P: We come, ready to clear the clutter
of our minds and hearts and make
room.**

L: In the wilderness, a voice cries out.

**P: We hear the call to repent, to
release what weighs us down.**

L: Make room in your hearts, for Christ is
drawing near.

**ALL: Come, Lord Jesus, and dwell
among us.**

Advent Prayer: Advent UMH #201

Merciful God,
you sent your messengers the prophets
to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation.
Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins,
that we may celebrate aright the commemoration of the nativity,
and may await with joy
the coming in glory of Jesus Christ our Redeemer;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

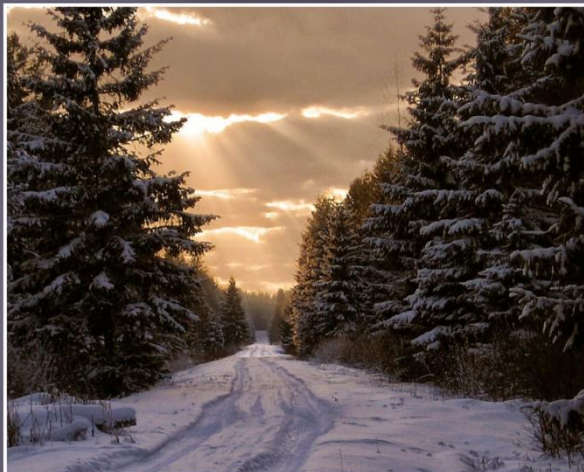


Scriptures for next week:

Micah 5:2-5a

Psalm 93

Luke 1:23-25, 39-45



*Prepare ye the
way of the
Lord, make his
paths straight.*

-Mark 1:3-



Thank you to everyone who donated either food or funds to support the Lakes Area Food Shelf in November!

We were able to send 178lbs of food and a check for \$1715 to our friends across the lot to serve our neighbors.

December Mission Giving

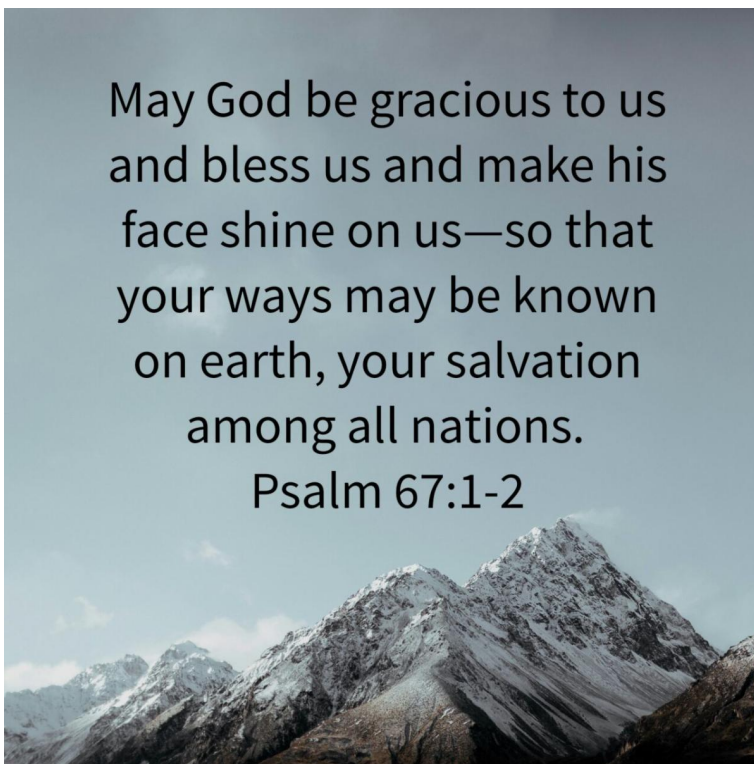
December's Mission focus will be the Relationship Safety Alliance (Women's Shelter)

If you are giving by check, please note RSA in the memo or use a designated envelope available on Sunday morning.



May God be gracious to us
and bless us and make his
face shine on us—so that
your ways may be known
on earth, your salvation
among all nations.

Psalm 67:1-2



Saturday, December 13th is the annual "Santa Bobbin into town" event in Pequot Lakes. This year, after the parade, Grace UMC will be caroling near the bonfire. We hope to have community members join us in the singing as well; we will be warmer together!!



Attention Carolers! We had hopes of putting together a group of carolers for Santa's Bobbin' into Town on Saturday, December 13. So far, the response is pretty slim. So, if you were planning to join us, we need to hear from you by Sunday, December 7 so we can make a decision on if we are able to support this effort. Thank you!



The church office is open **Tuesday from 9am until noon. It is also open on Wednesdays from 10-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.

Our Congregational Care Assistant, Ann Hutchings, is in the office on **Tuesdays 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 they might have. 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.

If you wish to connect with me directly and it is not an emergency, please know that I will respond as needed during regular office hours. I am generally in the church on Tuesday (830-1130) and Thursday (10-1) 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, and **Monday is a full school day** (*unless it is an emergency, Monday calls will be returned on Tuesday*).

--Pastor Jen.

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!



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**

Visit our website

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!
www.graceumcpequotlakes.org

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