



Order of Worship: Unlikely Courage

Prelude
Welcome/Announcements
Lenten Food Drive (Bill Tollefson)
Candle Lighting
Call to Worship

Song: *"All the Way My Savior Leads Me"*
"Rescue the Perishing"

Scripture:
Psalm 16

Unison Prayer

Song: *"Blessed Assurance"*
"To God Be the Glory"

Scriptures:
Matthew 27:55-56
Luke 23:48-49
Mark 15:40-41
John 19:25-27

Songs:
"Jesus Loves Me"
"Just As I Am"

Offering/Video Song
"It Is Finished"

Offertory Prayer

Songs:
"His Name is Wonderful"
"Because He Lives"

Prayers of the People/Lord's Prayer

Solo (Jacki Kline): *"Surrender"*

Special Music (Jacki Kline & Marsha Mower):
"One More Song for You"

The Week at Grace:

Tuesday:
Bible Study
9a

Handbell Practice
10:30a

May Baskets
12p @Lakes Latte

Wednesday:
Adult Bible Study
4pm

Thursday:
Men's study (offsite)
9:30a

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.

Office Phone:
218-568-5755

Grace Office Hours
Monday-10:30a-1:30p
Tuesday-8:30-11:30a
Wednesday-1:30-4:30pm
Thursday-10:30a-1:30p

Worship
Online--available at
www.graceumcpequotlakes.org
In-Person Sundays at 9a

Unison Prayer

Christ has no body but yours,
no hands, no feet on earth but yours.
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
compassionately on this world.
Yours are the feet with which he walks to
do good.
Yours are the hands, with which he
blesses all the world.
Yours are the hands. Yours are the feet.
Yours are the eyes. You are his body.
Christ has no body now but yours.
No hands, no feet on earth but yours.
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
compassionately on this world.
Christ has no body now on earth but
yours.

Call to Worship

L: Here we are, the young and old,

P: The believing and doubting,

L: The weak and strong.

P: Together we gather, male and female,

L: Surely named and surely called.

P: Here God is, almighty and merciful,

L: Gracious and just,

P: Trustworthy and true.

L: So since we are here,

P: and God is here,

ALL: As His children, let us worship together!

Scriptures for next week:

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

John 12:9-19

Psalm 31:9-16

John 19:31-42




Each of the songs you will hear this Sunday were written by women. We thought it would be worthwhile to tell the stories behind the songs! Follow the link to read the stories: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SqOxQJIYxz2zT7mspPt-bPcaYHx6GCLkfph0YoXcqF8/edit?usp=sharing>

"Surrender" is a song that was written by our own Jacki Kline. What follows is her story...

"I am in no way a prolific songwriter and am not even in the same stratosphere as these amazing hymnists and lyricists that have been talked about today, but I think I might be an example that we all have a story to tell if we let God speak through us.

I started dabbling in the songwriting realm while I was in high school. I had written a certain melody that I played over and over, but could not come up with words for the life of me. It wasn't until I was planning my wedding in 1989 that the words finally came. I wrote a few things here and there after that, mainly tunes that could be paired with hymns to make medleys. It would be many years until the inspiration for this particular song came to me. I had just read Stormie Omartian's book, Just Enough Light for the Step I'm On. That book made me look back on some particularly painful times in my life that I was having a hard time letting go of: Losing my teaching job due to funding cutbacks TWICE- I had dreamed of being an elementary teacher for as long as I could remember; and two miscarriages, one of which was especially devastating. I know that God led me to read that book. It made me realize that **my** dreams and plans might not be what **God** had planned for me. I needed to trust in His plan and to give me just enough light for the step I was on. I needed to surrender and let Him lead me.

Looking back now, everything, including the miscarriage, was a blessing in disguise. If not for that, I wouldn't have my precious daughter, Rachel, and because of her, the sweetest granddaughter I could ask for. It still isn't easy to let God be in control. I am an oldest child, after all! Sometimes I need to be reminded, and somehow this song will start playing in my brain. A God whisper, maybe?



May Baskets

May Day and May Baskets are right around the corner!

Anyone interested in learning how to make origami May Baskets, please join Grace United Women in Faith on Tuesdays at Lakes Latte.

Begins March 23rd at 12:00. Enjoy coffee, snack or lunch, and CREATIVITY!




Holy Week Services

Palm Sunday- Worship & Bell Choir performance at 9am
Holy Thursday- Service w/Communion at 6pm
Good Friday Tenebrae- Service of Descending Darkness 6pm
Easter Sunday- Celebrate our Risen Lord at 9am



THESE WOMEN HAD FOLLOWED
JESUS AND MINISTERED TO HIM
WHILE HE WAS IN GALILEE, AND
THERE WERE MANY OTHER WOMEN
WHO HAD COME UP TO JERUSALEM
WITH HIM.

- MARK 15:41



OLD AGE IS NOT FOR SISSIES! 6.0

Personal Devices and Senior Citizen Safety 3/18 @1-3p
By Parker Deutz, Doctor of Physical Therapy for Essentia

Big Harvests In Small Spaces-Growing Veggies & Herbs In Pots 4/15 @1-3p
By Shelly Boser-Bartel of Landsburg Nursery

Exploring Naturopathic Medicine & DIY Herbal Remedy 5/20 @1-3p
By Dr. Sophia Fox of Fox Naturopathic Medicine

Pine River United Methodist Church
348 Barclay Ave, Pine River
Dining Hall- Lower Level

Zero Charge!
Refreshments Provided!



On Ash Wednesday, 2/22, we began collecting food and monetary gifts for the Lakes Area Food Shelf. This will be our mission focus throughout the month of March. We have been challenged by Our Savior's Lutheran Church once again to see who can collect the most this year! Let's go!

Article in Echo Lakes Journal about the food drive and local needs. [Food Shelves](#)

We have chosen specific foods to be brought in each week.

- 2/22--Peanut Butter and Jelly
- 3/1--Cereal and Protein Bars
- 3/8--Canned Proteins (tuna, chicken, SPAM, beans)
- 3/15--Soups and Stews
- 3/22--Personal Care Items (especially pads and incontinence supplies)**
- 3/29--Leftovers! (Please check best by dates if you are pulling from your cupboards!)

As always, the food shelf is able to stretch our dollars farther than we can, so monetary gifts are welcome anytime!

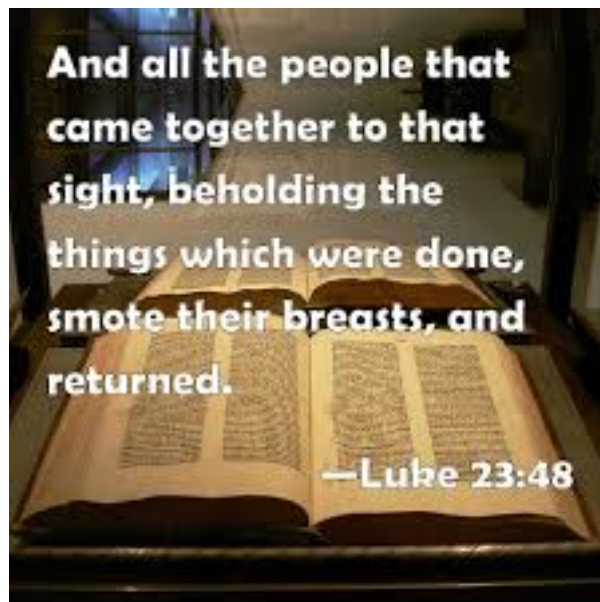


If you have friends at OSL, please feel free to engage them with some good-natured ribbing! For your friends who worship in other spaces, ask them how their church is participating. For friends or family that are not connected to a faith community, encourage them to bring their donations to us or to give directly to the food shelf.

The goal is to help feed our neighbors!

May we live out our faith by blessing others.

"The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor." – Proverbs 22:9



SPR MEETING



Date : 30 March, 2026

Time : 5:00pm



GRACE UMC

The church office has some new open hours.

Monday: 10:30a-130p

Tuesday: 8:30-1130a

Wednesday: 1:30-4:30p

Thursday: 10:30a-1:30p

Ring the doorbell on the south door to be admitted.

--Church office phone: 218-568-5755

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

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- Pastor Jen Matthees – jenmatt20@gmail.com



Communication Reminder.....

Please schedule **ALL** events, meetings, and building use by emailing the office. If your building use is not added to the master calendar, we may run into scheduling conflicts, and we may not be able to accommodate heating/cooling needs in the affected area.

Please submit any newsletter additions or changes to the office by email or phone by **Wednesday at 4:30p**.

If you wish to connect with Pastor Jen directly and it is not an emergency, please know that she will respond as needed during regular office hours. She is generally in the church on Tuesday (830-12) and Thursday (10-1) call the office to be sure, as her weeks vary. You may find her here at other times too! She checks her emails frequently throughout the day, and this is the best way to contact her. **Friday is her day off** as needs allow, and **Monday is a full school day** (unless it is an emergency, Monday calls will be returned on Tuesday).

Did you know the church calendar is available on our website?

graceumcpequotlakes.org

There is a tab near the top right side that 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**

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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!
www.graceumcpequotlakes.org

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