**Prelude (Jacki Kline)**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Candle Lighting**

**Call to Worship**

**Opening Songs:**
*"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"*
*"It's Me, It's Me, O Lord"*

**Scriptures:**
Philippians 4:1-9
Psalm 106:1-6
Matthew 22:1-14

**Unison Prayer**

**Song:**
*"Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling"*

**Pastor Jen's Message:**
"An Invitation to Joy"

**Special Music (Praise Team):**
*"Come Sinners, to the Gospel Feast"*

**Offering**

**Doxology**

**Offertory Prayer**

**Song:** *"Give Thanks"*

**Prayers of the People/Lord's Prayer**

**Closing Song:**
*"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"*

**Blessing**

**Postlude (Jacki Kline)**

## The Week at Grace:

**Tuesday, 13:**
**Bible Study**
9a

**Bell Choir**
10:30a

**Wednesday, 14:**
**Faith Formation**
10:30a

**Adult Study**
4p

**Thursday, 15:**
**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-9:30a-12:30p
Thursday-10:30a-1:30p

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

**Call to Worship**

*L: Beloved, God's never-ending love spills out all around us, drawing us together in beloved community with God neighbor, and all creation.*

**P: Rejoice in the Lord always, and again we say, rejoice!**

*L: God's always-present grace surrounds us, enlivening us to love ourselves and our neighbors just as Christ loves us.*

**P: Rejoice in the Lord always, and again we say, rejoice!**

*L: God's persistent peace sweeps through us, guarding our hearts and empowering us to live as agents of Gods' mercy and justice wherever we go.*

**P: Rejoice in the Lord always, and again we say, rejoice!**

*L: May our rejoicing overflow into our families, neighborhoods, and the whole earth that through our living, working resting, and playing, God may be glorified.*

**All: Rejoice in the Lord always, and again we say, rejoice!**

**Unison Prayer**

Gracious God, in love You open wide the doors
and welcome us into Your presence--
saints and sinners alike.
You spread a table before us, filled with the richest fare--
a feast of love and mercy for the body and soul.
We come with joy to meet You here,
to eat and drink at Your table,
to taste and see Your goodness,
to celebrate Your grace and mercy in our lives.
May Your Spirit inspire our praise and thanksigiving,
our prayers and petitions
as we worship together in our presence.
In the name of Jesus Christ, our host and Lord,
Amen.

**Scriptures for next week:**

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
Psalm 99
Matthew 22:15-22

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## Church Staff APPRECIATION

October is CHURCH EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION MONTH. Our church community is blessed with great staff! The Staff Parish Relations Committee invites you to send notes of encouragement and thanks to our staff. Grace staff members are Jen Matthees (Pastor), Jacki Kline (Accompanist), Casey Dirksen (Substitute Accompanist), Leslie Ball (Office Manager), Joan Oscarson (Treasurer), and Marsha Mower (Worship Support). In addition, we have three "volunteer" staff members - Ardie Morris (Hand Bell Director), Doris Longnecker (Financial Secretary), and Rick Zbikowski (Assistant Financial Secretary). Jane Christensen (Custodian) is a contractor under the direction of the Trustees.

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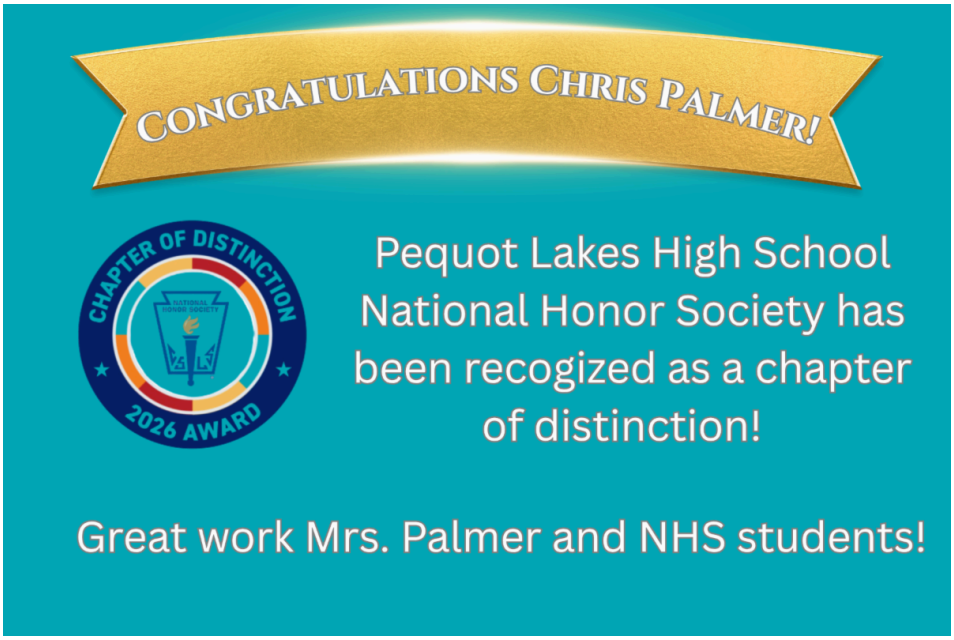


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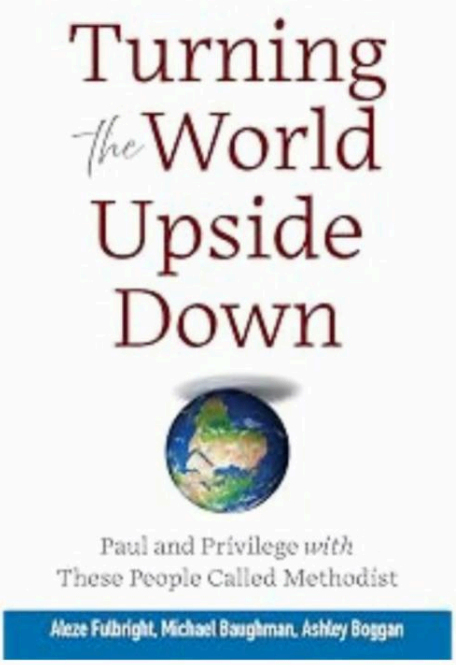
# Book Study!!

**We've only met once, so there's still time to join us!**

Overall, "turning the world upside down" has evolved from a biblical metaphor for social and spiritual disruption to a symbol of protest, historical upheaval, and spiritual transformation. Its enduring appeal lies in its vivid imagery of radical change, whether in religious, political, or cultural contexts.

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**Sign up in the Narthex for a doorway or a seat.**
**If you can help hand out candy, we will provide it.**
**Candy donations can be put on the table in the Narthex and would be very appreciated!**

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Office hours:

Monday: 10:30a-1:30p
Tuesday: 8:30-11:30a
Wednesday: 9:30a-12:30p
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) **graceumcpequotlakes@gmail.com**
- 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 or be unable to accommodate heating/cooling needs in the requested 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.

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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