



Order of Worship: January 12th

Prelude (Casey Derksen)

Welcome/Announcements

Candle Lighting

Call to Worship

Opening Songs:

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"
"Awesome God"

Scripture Readings:

Genesis 1:1-2
Isaiah 43:1-7
Psalm 29
Luke 3:15-17

Unison Prayer

Song: *"Shall We Gather at the River"*

Message: "Baptism of Jesus"

Reaffirmation of Baptism

Song: *"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"*

Offering/Doxology/Offertory Prayer

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

Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer

Song: *"Spirit Song"*

Blessing

Postlude (Casey Derksen)

This Week at Grac

Tuesday:

Bible Study 9am
Bell Practice 430pm

Wednesday:

Bible Study 4pm

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

Most wonderful God,
foolish and flawed though we are,
we too delight in your beloved Son.
As in his name we gather in the
house of many praises,
may the heavens be opened for us,
that we may catch a glimpse of that
Light and Love
that transforms our common days
with a beauty not of our making.
Through Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen.

Call to Worship

L: In the beginning God created.

P: And it was good.

L: In the present God creates.

P: And it is good.

*L: In the future God will continue
creating.*

P: And it will be good.

*L: Let us gather to worship our
God.*

P: Who creates goodness
in, through, and all around us.

All: Amen.



Scriptures for next week:

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Psalms 36:5-10

John 2:1-11

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic** church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.



Remember Your
Baptism
and be thankful




Mission Giving for January

Our Mission Focus for December will be sent to support the work of "My Neighbor to Love", and their efforts to support those who are struggling with stable housing.

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 "January Missions".

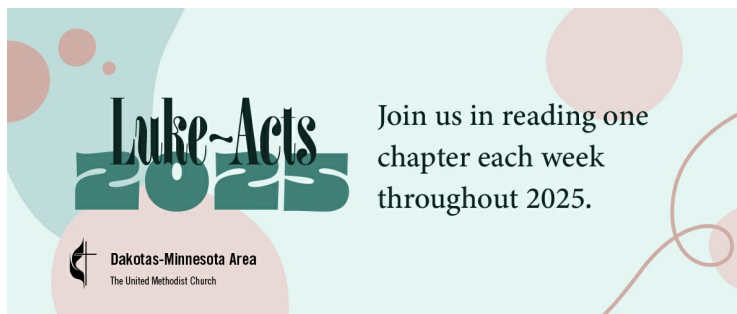
We are also participating in a special collection for the food shelf. "Soup-er Bowl LIX. You can bring in any food donations to the church for this, but SOUP is especially easy to remember on these cold winter days!



The LORD gives
STRENGTH
to his people;
the LORD blesses
his people with
PEACE.


-Psalm 29:11

PsalmsQuotes.com



Luke~Acts
2025

Join us in reading one chapter each week throughout 2025.

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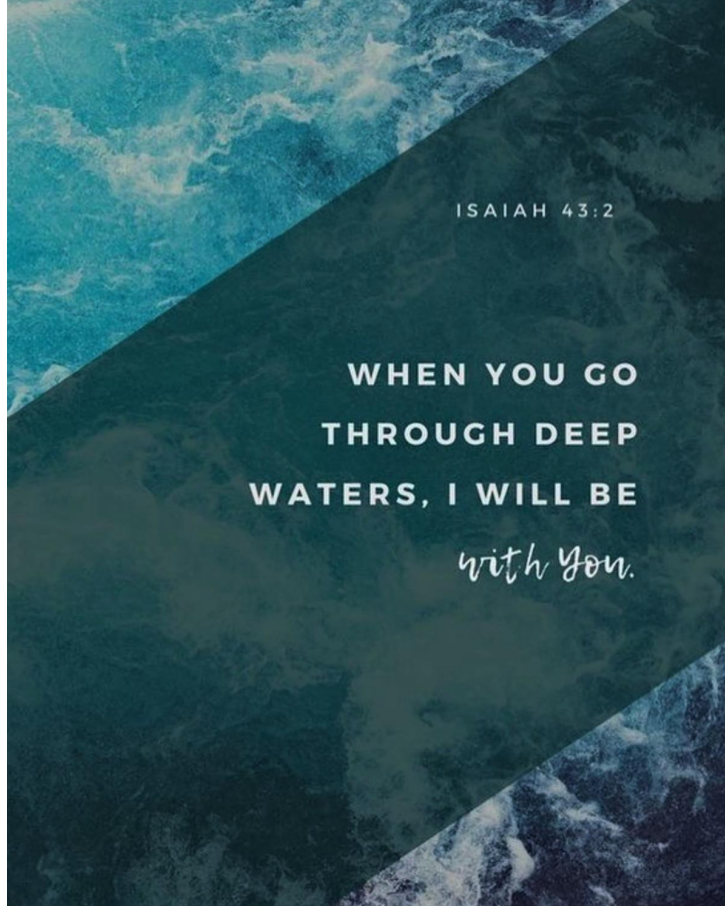
Beginning in January 2025, **Bishop Lanette Plambeck invites** clergy and laity across the Area to join in a journey through Luke and Acts, reading one chapter each week throughout the year. This shared experience will foster a sense of encouragement, challenge, and community as we delve into the seamless story of Jesus' life, ministry, death, resurrection, and the Spirit's work through the early church. Comprised of 52 chapters together, they provide a natural framework for intentional spiritual practice through 2025.

A checklist to use as a bookmark is available at church for this experience.

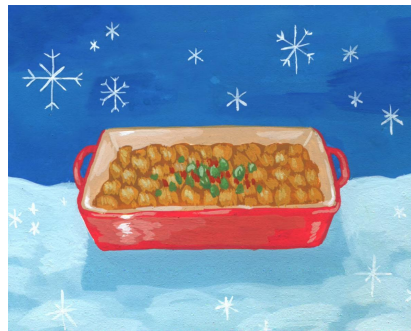
January Breakthrough Prayer

Bishop Lanette will offer a new breakthrough prayer each month throughout 2025, inviting the Holy Spirit to form and transform us through this communal reading experience. She encourages us to pray the prayer daily. The January prayer is:

Holy God, as we begin this year of reading and prayer, dedicate our hearts to your word. Shape us through the story of Jesus and his followers, that we may grow in faith and love. Prepare us for the transformative journey ahead. In Christ's name, Amen.



It is now the time of year that you may need to consider personal safety when making plans to attend services or events. Please always choose the safest plan, because everyone lives in such a widespread area. When in doubt on the cancellation of any church function, please contact the church office or your group leader. We will also post cancellations on our Facebook page as needed as well.



Let us “Break Bread Together”! On Sunday the 19th following worship we will enjoy a variety of hot dishes! Please plan to stay. If you would like to bring a dish to share please reach out to Jill Macnamara.

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
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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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