

The Church Mouse

Weekly Newsletter
Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church
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WORSHIP FOR THIS WEEK

Sanctity of Life Sunday/2nd Sunday after Epiphany
Public Reception of new members/Baptism

Rev. Kathryn Leech is preaching:

“A Person’s a Person, No Matter How Small”

Psalm 139: 13-16, Isaiah 49:1, & Jeremiah 1:5



Church Events

- Jan. 17th- Ladies AA at 7 pm, Lori’s Bible Study at 6 pm
- Jan. 19th- Men’s Prayer Breakfast at 7 am, Taking Off Pounds Sensibly at 9 am, AA at noon, 5:30 Hurried Family Dinner and Bible Study, Choir at 6 pm
- Jan. 20th- Handbell Choir at 4:30 pm, Session meets at 7pm

SUNDAY SERVANTS:

1 ST SUNDAY	2 ND SUNDAY	3 RD SUNDAY	4 TH SUNDAY
Dick Foard Chris Doyel William Crockett Brent Heath	Jim Rodarmel Louise Theberge John Kupiec Melissa Johnson	Jim Wesson John Ogburn Todd Coons John O'Briant Peder Wennberg	Doug Price Jane Price Bob McCreary Carter Richardson 5th Sunday: Captains
Liturgists for January:			
Dick Hellier	Skip Driggs	Julie Rodarmel	Sarah Harris 5th Sunday: Louise Theberge

Proverbs 3:6
*In all your ways
 acknowledge
 him,
 and he will
 make straight
 your paths.*

Adult Sunday School Opportunities

Bible 101

Goal: Provide a basic understanding of the Bible and essential basic concepts. No previous Bible knowledge necessary but also a good review for lifelong Bible students.

Facilitator: LuAnn Nagel luannnagel@gmail.com **Location:** Fellowship Hall

Contemporary Discussions

Goal: Use Scripture and relevant commentary to understand how God wants us to respond to the ever-changing issues we face in today's world.

Facilitator: Warren Deal wdeal1776@aol.com **Location:** Adult Sunday School Hall, Classroom 211

Fruits of the Spirit (formerly Mixed Adults)

Goal: To strengthen our relationship with the Triune God, to reach a deeper understanding of God's Word, and to reinforce how we are to respond in today's culture. Previous Bible knowledge helpful, not required.

Facilitator: Dick Beale – recmbeale@aol.com **Location:** Adult Sunday School hall, Classroom 202 (Note: This class is on a break until February due to Covid issues)

Growing with Grace

Goal: Read and study the scriptural text to learn biblical principles and apply them to our Christian walk while focusing on Jesus as the anchor and foundation of our lives and developing a deeper understanding of God's gift of grace. **Facilitator:** Rotation/Dianne Reynolds diannes5561@aol.com; Becky Foard becky@gracecovenant.us

Location: Adult Sunday School hall, Classroom 201

Axis

Goal: To help parents build lifelong faith in their children by giving them the power to translate culture and faith, one conversation at a time. **Facilitator:** Pastor Kathryn Leech kathryn@gracecovenant.us

Location: Adult Sunday School hall, Classroom 201 **This class meets the third Sunday of every month from 5:00-7:00 PM during Youth on Main**

Notes:

First: Movie **"Game Changer"** is tonight Jan. 12th at 6pm (dinner if you called is at 5:30)



Second: **Youth on Main and Axis** are starting up again the third Sunday of each month beginning this Sunday, 1/16 from 5-7 PM. Parents and youth, meet in the Fellowship Hall for dinner at 5:00. Axis will meet in room 202 upstairs to discuss identity.

Third: Don't miss Wednesday's Hurried Family Supper from 5:30 to 7 PM. On 1/19 we're starting a new book called **"The Art of Neighboring"**. Pick up your copy from Becky's office. We'll be discussing chapters 1 and 2 next week.

Celebrate!

Birthdays:

Claudia Lamb	01/02
Max Healy Sr.	01/05
Kathy DeMet	01/06
Bernard Ambrose	01/07
Denise Finney	01/07
Kaitlyn Reynolds	01/07
Miki Markoff	01/07
Claudia Siesto	01/12
Amber Rhodes	01/12
Linda Phillips	01/15
Harper Jean Lutz*	01/19
Warren Deal	01/20
Laurence Wilkinson	01/20
Betty Wilson	01/21
Godwin Jones	01/22
George Rhodes Jr.	01/26
Ann Gentry	01/26
Judy Bailey-Kinker	01/28
George Miller	01/30
Leslie Sawyer	01/30
Penny Martin	01/30

*Denotes a child

Anniversaries:

Jason & Kimberly Robins	01/02
Joe & Jeannie Miller	01/02
Grant & Holly Smith	01/10
Mickey & Linda Healy	01/14
Allen & Judy Bailey-Kinker	01/30



DAILY LECTIONARY:

Friday, January 7

Morning: Pss. 46 or 47; 148
Evening: Pss. 27; 93 or 114
Deut. 8:1–3
Col. 1:1–14
John 6:30–33, 48–51

Saturday, January 8

Morning: Pss. 46 or 47; 149
Evening: Pss. 27; 93 or 114
Exod. 17:1–7
Col. 1:15–23
John 7:37–52

Sunday, January 9

Baptism of the Lord
Morning: Pss. 104; 150
Evening: Ps. 29
Gen. 1:1–2:3
Eph. 1:3–14
John 1:29–34

Monday, January 10

Morning: Pss. 5; 145
Evening: Pss. 82; 29
Gen. 2:4–9 (10–15) 16–25
Heb. 1:1–14
John 1:1–18

Tuesday, January 11

Morning: Pss. 42; 146
Evening: Pss. 102; 133
Gen. 3:1–24
Heb. 2:1–10
John 1:19–28

Wednesday, January 12

Morning: Pss. 89:1–18;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 1; 33
Gen. 4:1–16
Heb. 2:11–18
John 1:(29–34) 35–42

Thursday, January 13

Morning: Pss. 97; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 16; 62
Gen. 4:17–26
Heb. 3:1–11
John 1:43–51

Friday, January 14

Morning: Pss. 51; 148
Evening: Pss. 142; 65
Gen. 6:1–8
Heb. 3:12–19
John 2:1–12

Saturday, January 15

Morning: Pss. 104; 149
Evening: Pss. 138; 98
Gen. 6:9–22
Heb. 4:1–13
John 2:13–22

Sunday, January 16

Morning: Pss. 19; 150
Evening: Pss. 81; 113
Gen. 7:1–10, 17–23
Eph. 4:1–16
Mark 3:7–19

The Hunt For The Northern Lights

Snowy white fox of the Arctic,
was it your brush-like tail
that sprayed snow, like crystal sparks,
adorning the dark sky with a shimmering veil?
Are you the Northern Lights?

Flourishing forest fungi,
was it your luminescent glow
that ignited fires across the frozen North,
covering the woodland floor, so very long ago?
Are you the Northern Lights?

Plentiful waters of Lapland
was it the light falling into your seas,
that reflected back off the fishes shiny, wet scales
into the streams of the sky? If so please,
Are you the Northern lights?

Or was it the solar winds that, colliding with earth's gasses,
started to glow, creating streamers in their masses?
A magnificent array of colors. Reds, greens, violets, blues,
A mystical curtain of bright celestial hues.
Constantly in motion.
A beautiful blaze of auroral displays
Around Heaven's swirling ocean.

AURORA BOREALIS!

Trailing bands of luminous plasma,
Spellbinding, magical sights.
A plethora of colorful waves from the sun.
Was He the creator of the wonderful
Northern Lights?

By: Lesley Elaine Greenwood

PRAYER CONCERNS:

Pray for Wesley and Betty Wilson, Dana Gilmour, David Guthrie,
Virginia Wilkinson, Eva Towell, Matt Shackelford,
Bob & Susan McCreary, Bert & Pat Perkins, Mildred Harden,
and all those who are recovering from illness.

Brookdale, Williamsburg:
Virginia Powers
York Convalescent & Rehab:
Virginia Wilkinson
Gloucester House:
Oscar Northen



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