

WEEKLY GRACE NOTES

Sunday, January 4, 2026

The Epiphany of Our Lord



Welcome to Grace

At the heart of Grace, in all that we say and do, is bring *God's Grace to life*. We are here to help! If you are visiting for the first time and have a need:

- Please introduce yourself to the Pastors, they would love to meet you.
- Please feel free to contact the church office for any information:
- 586-752-9800 or email: office@graceromeo.com

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Merciful God, through the prophets you prepared the way for our salvation. Give us willing hearts to listen to their warnings and turn from our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of our Redeemer, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!

AS WE GATHER: January 4 The Epiphany of Our Lord

Theme - We Seek the King -- Matthew 2:1-12

Matthew 2 is a story about two kings. Herod is the first king. Jesus is the second King. Herod was consumed about going up by elevating himself. Jesus was just as passionate about going down by living as our humble King. And it's Christ's life of giving and serving and loving that we celebrate and believe this Epiphany!

OLD TESTAMENT
Isaiah 60:1-6

PSALM
72:1-11
(12-15)

EPISTLE
Ephesians
3:1-12

HOLY GOSPEL
John 1:1-18

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Here our Lord gives to us His own Body and Blood for the forgiveness of all our sins

Our Grace Family celebrates The Lord's Supper every Sunday, confessing that our Lord feeds us with His very body and blood for our forgiveness.

Please read carefully: The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Grace in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another.

Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at the Altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession differing from that of Grace and The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an Elder.

GLUTEN FREE WAFERS

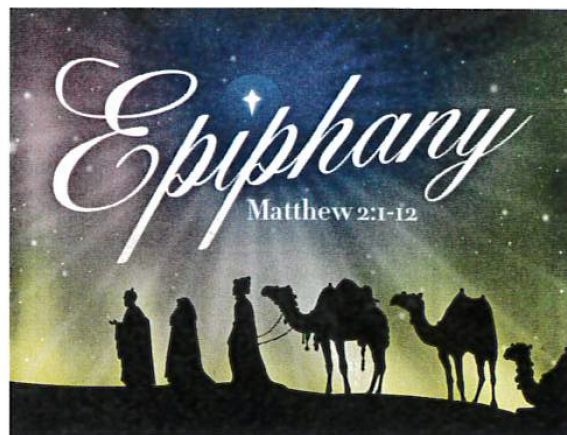
Please notify an Elder, Pastor Majeski or Pastor Mike before service, if you are in need of Gluten Free wafers. Thank you!

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH

**Monday, January 5
from: 10a - 11a.**

FAMILY LIFE CENTER BIBLE STUDY

**Join us in the gym as the Pastor's
take a deeper dive into
Sundays Message**



PRAYERS for HEALING

Chris Graber
Gaye Vogt
Joe Winget
Janet LaLonde
Pat Ruhlig
Jack & Marge Bernard

PRAYERS For Our Shut-Ins

Chris Graber
Ted & Jayne Kasper
Sandra Kriewall
Janet LaLonde
Carolyn Smith
Joan Walz
Eileen Hopp

WE PRAY FOR OUR

Military and their families
Our Congregational Leaders
Stephen Ministry
Kid's Hope Program
Student Ministry

**PRAYERS FOR OUR
CHURCH FAMILIES**

Roger & Diane Beecher

**PRAYERS FOR OUR
LOCAL SCHOOLS**
Utica School District

**PRAYERS FOR OUR
LOCAL CHURCHES**
Trinity Lutheran Church & School
Utica

PRAYERS FOR OUR PRESCHOOL
Jessica Scally, Preschool Director
Our Teachers:
Megan Sisco, Jessica Scally
& Teacher Assistants:
Kellie Compton & Melissa Dahl

Pastor and Pastoral Assist

Pastor Eric Majeski & Pastor Mike Phillips
Deacons: Robin Spaulding & Terry Bower

Director of Student Ministry:
Gus Aguinaga

Student Ministry Assistant
Audrey Fouts

Music Leader:
Gary Felts

Hand Bell Choir:
Martha Phillips

Sound Board & Recording Ministry:
Jeff Martin

Web Editor:
Gary LaLonde

Readers:

Sunday, Jan. 4
8:30am - Gary Felts
11am - Gus Aguinaga

Sunday, Jan. 11
8:30am - Roger Beecher
11am - Selise Carden

**TAKING DOWN
CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS**
Much help is needed to take down
the Christmas Decorations.

We will begin Tuesday, January 6 -
Friday, January 9, during the day and
or evening. Whatever works best for
you.

Please stop by during the week for as
much or as little time you may have
to help us. It is greatly appreciated.

The official take down date is:
Friday, January 9 at 5pm

Thank you in advance
for your help!

COMING IN JANUARY

Grief Share Support Group for individuals grieving a significant loss

Beginning Thursday, January 15, 2026 at 7pm, we will gather weekly for 13 weeks around topics related to grief recovery.

For more information and/or to register, please contact Robin & Cheryl Spaulding at: **586.784.5632** or cheryl@morningstarministries.net

BUDGET SUMMARY THROUGH: Nov. 11, 2025

Total income:

\$658,969.35

Total expenses:

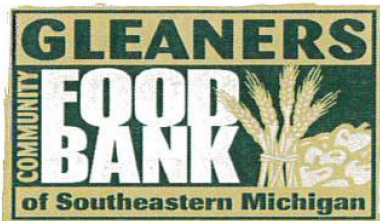
\$581,873.58

Copies of the budget can be found in the marked folder located in the organizer on counter in the office.



MISSION TRIP TO MEXICO - 2026

Applications for the house building mission trip to Ensenada, Mexico in **May 2026**, can be found on the Announcement Wall. Please see Ross Putman for more information and questions. Thank you!



The next Gleaners
is scheduled for:
Monday, January 19
Distribution Times:
from **12:30 - 1:30pm**

SHUT IN OUTREACH

Chris Graber

8357 Rider Rd.
Imlay City, MI 48444
Birthday: March 17

Sandra Kriewall

59056 Golden Oak Ct.
Washington, MI 48094
Birthday: January 30

Eileen Hopp

Wellbridge of Romeo
375 S. Main St. Rm: 504
Romeo, 48065
586.531.1809
Birthday: June 30

Janet LaLonde

68688 Villa Dr.
Washington Twp., MI 48095
586.255.3906
Birthday: July 2

Carolyn Smith

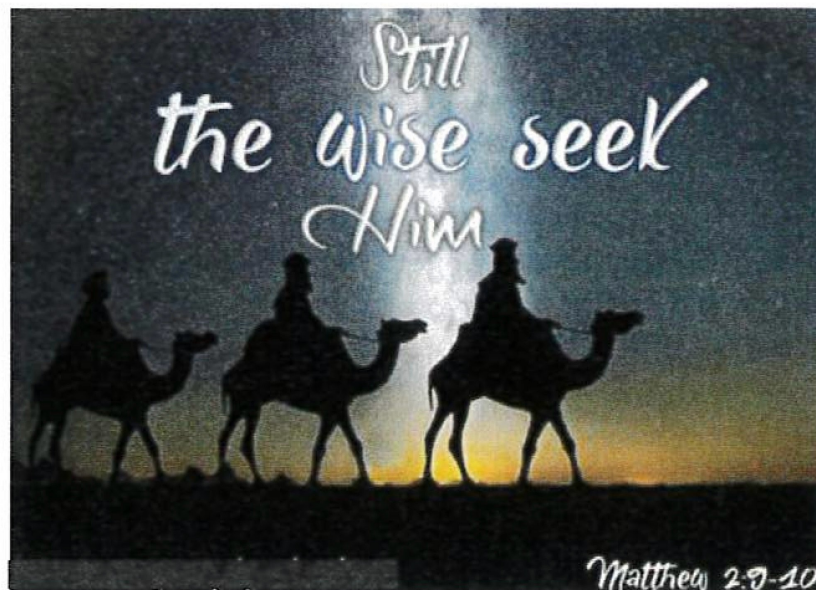
Orchard Grove Senior Living
Legacy Building
71150 Orchard Crossing Lane Apt. 607-A
Romeo, MI 48065
Birthday: March 31

Joan Walz

Bayview Gardens
628 East Main Street, Apt. 26
Sebewaing, MI 48759
Birthday: September 6

Jayne Kasper

Orchard Grove Senior Living
Legacy Building
71150 Orchard Crossing Lane, Rm. 609
Romeo, MI 48065
Birthday: January 26

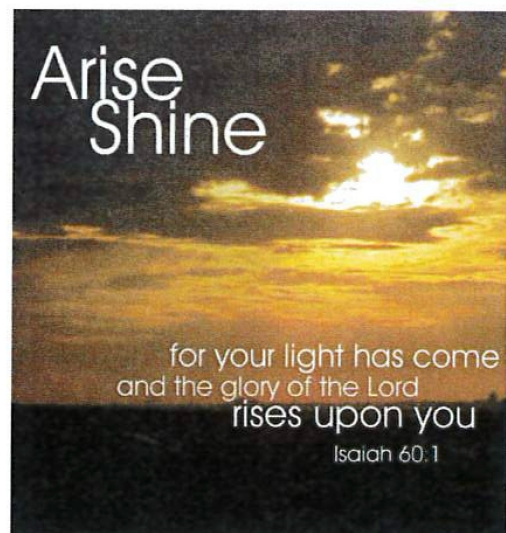


January Birthdays

Elizabeth Pollock	01/04	Emily Rusk	01/22
Melissa Harp	01/05	Paige Ryterski	01/23
Caisen Hilliker	01/05	Kim Aguinaga	01/23
Meric Okoniewski	01/05	Richard Dutcher	01/25
Connie Russell	01/05	Joanne Nedwick	01/25
Zackery Throop	01/05	Brad Hart	01/25
Michele Raska	01/06	Jayne Kasper	01/26
Trudy Burmann	01/07	Baylee Willoughby	01/26
Daniel Hagan	01/07	Diane Beecher	01/27
Samuel Madewell	01/07	Jared Christensen	01/27
Cheryl Workman	01/08	Avery Gaj	01/27
Jacob Heikkila	01/10	Katherine Mill	01/28
Isabelle Malcolm	01/10	Matt Pussehl	01/28
Mark Raska	01/11	Tanya Knight	01/29
Pamela Raska	01/13	Ashlyn Eckhardt	01/30
Aiden Speers	01/13	Lacey Rae Klosterman	01/30
Faith Majeski	01/14	Sandra Kriewall	01/30
Douglas Malcolm	01/14	Marcene Santacrose	01/30
Patricia Ruhlig	01/14	Robert Stanko	01/30
Shirley Wizikowski	01/14	Brandon Falker	01/31
Charissa Antonelli	01/15	MaryBeth Sorensen	01/31
Bruce Fritsch	01/16		
Joy Manthey	01/16		
Clara Winchester	01/16		
Lori Rusk	01/17		
Willa Coley	01/18		
Zoe Ann Hogan	01/18		
Ryan Sawitzky	01/18		
Janet Shelton	01/18		
Scott Stanko	01/18		
Joshua Eckhout	01/19		
Paul Okoniewski	01/19		
Marisa Bruski	01/20		
Colleen Maris	01/20		
Gaye Vogt	01/20		
Ryan Rohrborn	01/21		
Stacy Roberts	01/22		

January Anniversaries

Mark & Deborah Nuttall	01/07
Ken & Vivian Sarver	01/29



SERMON NOTES

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