

WEEKLY GRACE NOTES

Sunday, December 14, 2025

Third Sunday in Advent



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

Almighty God, you called John the Baptist to give witness to the coming of your Son. Grant us wisdom to do your will today and so to witness to Christ's coming and to prepare his way; through the same Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!

AS WE GATHER: December 14 **Third Sunday in Advent**

Theme - "A Better Absolution"

It's time to get off the guilt trip and get on the grace trip. This happens when we claim the truth in Hebrews 1:3, "After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven."

OLD TESTAMENT

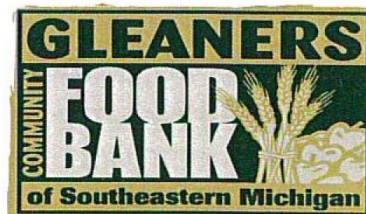
Jeremiah
31:31-34

PSALM
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EPISTLE

Hebrew
1:1-4

HOLY GOSPEL
Luke 1:67-79



The next Gleaners
is scheduled for:
Monday, December 15
Distribution Times:
from **12:30 - 1:30pm**

PRAYERS for HEALING

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

PRAYERS For Our Shut-Ins

Chris Graber
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**

Robert & Loraine Baril

**PRAYERS FOR OUR
LOCAL SCHOOLS**
Utica Public Schools

**PRAYERS FOR OUR
LOCAL CHURCHES**
Christ Lutheran Church
Sterling Hgts.

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, Dec. 14
830am - Bruce Fritsch
11a - Renee Majeski

Sunday, Dec. 21
Cantata - No readers

Sunday, Dec. 28 (one service only)
10a - David Pickett

TODDLER TIME

Toddler time will be where Parents or caregivers will participate in activities with their child. Activities include: music, sensory, story time and more!

WEEKLY ON WEDNESDAYS 10-11am
(the last Toddler Time for December will be 12/17 & will resume on 1/7/2026)

\$5 per family

Register:
prechool@graceromeo.com
•Or when you come to participate

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!

FAMILY LIFE CENTER BIBLE STUDY

Join us for Bible Study
in the Family Life Center at 9:45a
As we explore Hebrews

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve Worship
2:00pm and 4:00pm

Candlelight Service
11:00pm with Communion

Christmas Day
10:30am with Communion



ADVENT SUPPER & STUDY

During our Advent midweek, come and spend time around the table in God's Word. This year's theme: "Coming Home for Christmas" an Advent in Isaiah.

Advent midweek dates

Wednesdays,

Dec. 17: "A Home Unbroken" Isaiah 66:18-23 - (Last one)

Supper at 6pm / Study at 7p
(in the gym)

Children's Church

(Children will be dismissed after supper/beginning of study)

PLEASE BRING A DISH OR SOUP OR DESSERT TO PASS

We look forward to seeing you.

SPECIAL THANK YOU'S

Dear Grace Family - We would like to thank everyone for all your cards, thoughts & prayers during the time Dale was in the hospital for his back surgeries. He passed away in the hospital from complications after the surgery. We are truly grateful for your love & support during this very difficult time.

With love, Carol & Ryan Hankey

Dear Grace family, I want to take time to thank my Grace family for always being there for me and my boys. You have helped me grow them into respectful, hardworking, God loving young men. I couldn't have done it without my Grace Family. The first Sunday I walked through the doors with 3 toddlers I knew I was home! You have help my family in so many ways. Then this past November when my mom went to Heaven, our Grace family was there again! I feel so loved from my Grace family.

Thank you & Mush love, Janel Stier

CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Join us on NEXT Sunday, December 21 at the 8:30 or 11am Service for: *"The Heart of Christmas"* our Christmas Cantata. We look forward to seeing you!

ONE WORSHIP SERVICE ON:

- **Sunday, December 28 at 10:00am**

NO MONDAY WORSHIP

Please note: There will be no Monday Worship on:

- **December 22 or**
- **December 29**

December Birthdays

Mike Miller	12/14
Gabriel Pruehs	12/14
Tristen Wiegand	12/14
Sydney Brady	12/15
Benjamin Weber	12/15
Nancy Hall	12/16
Paisley McConnell	12/17
Susan Calka	12/18
Nicholas Stier	12/19
Treavor Stier	12/19
Anthony Edwards	12/21
Clifford Graber	12/21
Jacob Summerfield	12/21
Hannah DeMiro	12/22
Austin Lince	12/22
Lincoln McMahon	12/23
Jeff Stanko	12/23
Jack Wiley	12/23
Steve Burroughs	12/25
Susan Frederick	12/25
Wendy Stabley	12/26
Jeremy Willoughby	12/26
Kennedy Kerby	12/27
Linda Wiedenmeyer	12/27
Lynette Hay	12/28
Amanda Coffman	12/29
Henry Osebold	12/29
Jack Osebold	12/29
Sabrina Pruehs	12/29
Shane Sorensen	12/29
Kelly Logan	12/30
Nino Nuculovic	12/31
Logen Okoniewski	12/31

December Anniversaries

Tom & Leona Ward	12/15
Shane & Stacey Roberts	12/20

Brian & MaryBeth Sorensen	12/24
David & Linda Kelly	12/28
Rodney & Chris Graber	12/29
David & Tracy Kriss	12/30

January Birthdays

Karen Dutcher	01/01
Luke Mehlberg	01/01
Sarah Zwierz	01/01
Jason Antonelli	01/03
Jeanne Cherry	01/03
Ellis Dimitrie	01/03
Carlynn Maas	01/03
Elizabeth Pollock	01/04
Melissa Harp	01/05
Caisen Hilliker	01/05
Meric Okoniewski	01/05
Connie Russell	01/05
Zackery Throop	01/05
Michele Raska	01/06
Trudy Burmann	01/07
Daniel Hagan	01/07
Sameul Madewell	01/07
Cheryl Workman	01/08
Jacob Heikkila	01/10
Isabelle Malcolm	01/10
Mark Raska	01/11
Pamela Raska	01/13
Aiden Speers	01/13
Faith Majeski	01/14
Douglas Malcolm	01/14
Patricia Ruhlig	01/14
Shirley Wizikowski	01/14

January Anniversaries

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

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

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@morningstarministies.net

COMING SOON!

House of Hope

The House of Hope, a ministry of Morning Star Ministries, will be a place of Recovery, Renewal, Restoration & Retreat where individuals and couples can receive care, healing, and support around marriage, grief, trauma repair, addictions and burnout.

The House of Hope is supported by the Tree of Hope which recognizes donations made in honor of a loved one or in memory of a loved one who has passed away. Beautifully handcrafted leaves and cardinals can be personalized and will be placed on the Tree of Hope.

Businesses are also invited to sponsor a stone which will be placed at the base of the tree. Stones will serve to support the House of Hope. Businesses are recognized by having their logo inscribed on the stone.

Order forms for the Tree of Hope are located on the Announcement Wall. We would love to have you be a part of our team! Please contact Robin & Cheryl Spauling at 586.784.5632

GRACE GIVING

Online

Visit www.graceromeo.com and click on the GIVING TAB to set up a one-time or recurring donation, or to make a payment.

QR CODE Scan the QR code to visit our online giving page.



In Person Whether it's cash or check, we appreciate your kindness. Please place your donations in an offering envelope and drop them in the offering box.

SERMON NOTES

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