

this week at grace	
SUNDAY – March 11 9:00 am 9:30 am 10:30 am 11:00 am 11:30 am 11:45 am 5:00 – 7:00 pm	*Daylight Savings Time begins* Pick-up from Grand Haven Worship Fellowship Time – Fellowship Hall Adult Sunday School – Green Room Worship Kids on the Move Sunday School EYMP at the Youth Center
MONDAY – March 12 8:30 – 3:30 pm 4:30 – 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Garden Club of Greater Lansing Prayer Shawl Trustees
TUESDAY – March 13 7:00 pm	Finance Meeting
WEDNESDAY – March 14 6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Praise Band Practice Missions Meeting AA @ The Youth Center
THURSDAY – March 15 5:45 – 9:00 pm 7:00 pm	Boy Scouts Round Table - FH Choir Practice
FRIDAY – March 16	*OFFICE CLOSED*
SATURDAY – March 17 7:30 – 2:30 pm	*OFFICE CLOSED* Boy Scouts Training Meeting
SUNDAY – March 18 9:00 am 9:30 am 10:30 am 11:00 am 11:30 am 11:45 am 5:00 – 7:00 pm	Pick-up from Grand Haven Worship Fellowship Time – Fellowship Hall Adult Sunday School – Green Room Worship Kids on the Move Sunday School EYMP at the Youth Center

“Reaching people with the love and teachings of Jesus Christ.”

PRAYER CONCERNS

Use the following lines to jot down the names / requests lifted during the ‘prayers of the people’ this morning. If you would like to submit a prayer request during the week, please email graceumcprayers@gmail.com or reach out to Linda Reik, Karolyn Bartell or the church office and they will see that it gets passed along.

LENTEN DEVOTIONALS

For this season of Lent, we'll be cultivating the practice of experiencing God's presence in all walks of our life. Each week we will focus on a different topic. To aid you in your journey, we have a curated selection of daily scripture passages with reflections. Paper copies are available in the narthex/lobby. An electronic copy will be attached to the weekly church email. In addition, there are kid friendly Lenten Activity Calendars! Challenge your kids (or yourself) to focus on prayer, action and fasting during this time.

CASS COMMUNITY OUTREACH TRIP

Grace will be sending a group down to Cass Community Social services for a one-day mission trip on Saturday, May 19th. If interested in being part of this trip, please come to the sign-up meeting on March 18th at 10:30 in the library. Any questions contact Jay Young. JaysonYoung415@gmail.com

CHURCH DIRECTORIES

Directories are in! If you had your photo taken and have not gotten your directory, please stop by the office during the week for your copy. We will be distributing the rest in the week ahead! Check your mailbox. Due to very limited quantities, only 1 per household. Thank you!

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Palm Sunday	9:30 am / 11:30 am
Maundy Thursday	7:00 pm
Good Friday	7:00 pm
Easter	10:30 am

GET MOVING OPPORTUNITIES

The Church **Softball** league is right around the corner! Games usually begin in May. If you are interested in playing on the church's co-ed softball team, please reach out to Jay Young or the church office.

We are currently looking into the possibility of offering a **Zumba** class here at Grace. If this is something you might want to be involved in – make sure you mark your connection care or reach out to the office. Details to follow once we understand the amount of interest.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Nursery, Birth to 3 years: Our nursery is available during both the 9:30 and 11:30 services. It is currently staffed by Miss Elizabeth and our faithful volunteers. Our smallest children take home lessons of God's love too! Little ones will engage in stories, creative time, and free play! Learning Bible stories and simple Christian faith concepts literally becomes child's play!

Kids on the Move Jr. and Kids on the Move: Our winter unit is "Jesus Is Baptized." (The story of John baptizing Jesus). Join us to have fun learning! We begin in the 11:30 service and leave for Kids on the Move at 11:45. Kids on the Move Jr. (Preschool Children/4 years old through 1st graders) meet in the Orange Room----Kids on the Move (2nd graders through 6th graders) meet in the Blue Room. See you soon!

Adult Sunday School Class: This class will begin a new study on Sunday, January 7th – 'Fruit of the Spirit'. Led by Rev. Nancy Fancher. The class meets in the green room each Sunday from 11:00-12:00 am.

ENERGIZE! Youth Ministry Program (for students 4th – 12th): We meet most Sunday nights from 5:00-7:00pm at the Youth Center. Contact Jamie Young for activities and information via jamiyoung1028@yahoo.com

Men's Breakfast: Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:00am at the Flap Jack Restaurant. Please reach out to Jayson Young – jaysonyoung415@gmail.com

Generosity Mid-Week Study – COMING SOON: The next mid-week study will begin mid-April. We will focus our thoughts and fellowship around the idea of Generosity. Stay tuned for more details.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

MEETING DATES / TIMES:

March

Grace United Methodist Women's Friendship/Grace Hope Circle will be meeting on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at 7:00 pm. Our program will be Prayer and Self Denial. Hope to see you there!

MISSIONS

GIVING TREE – NEW FORMAT

We're changing how we do the Giving Tree! Instead of doing a different monthly collection, we'll be collecting items through quarters of the year. So you can bring your items now through the end of March.

For our first quarter, our focus will be on local poverty. New or gently used household items, such as small appliances and kitchen items, bedding and towels may be donated for the Small Household Needs Bank which provides formerly homeless people with these items. For more questions please contact Mona Morgan.

VALULAND

South Lansing Ministries (SLM) has the opportunity to earn \$1,000 every time we collect \$150,000 in receipts from shopping at ValuLand! If you shop there, please save your receipts and drop them in the bucket we have provided that is located Fellowship Hall. ValuLand is next door in Colonial Village Shopping center and on W. Saginaw. We have collected over \$12,000 so far! Keep them coming!

SAVE-THE-DATE

Grace's Pancake Supper will be here before you know it!

This annual event raises money to support Missions.

Please save-the-date for: Friday, April 6th

4:30 – 7:00pm

Grace UMC – Fellowship Hall



MAKE THE



OFFERING

"Make the Change" offering (March 25th) and the Lenten offering will go to Christian Services. They serve churches in the Greater Lansing area, helping them build their capacity to serve as Christ's hands and feet in our community. Christian Services provides the necessary link between church volunteers and those in our community in need.

"My children, we should love people not only with words and talk, but by our actions and true caring." 1 John 3:18

Help spread hope throughout the community!