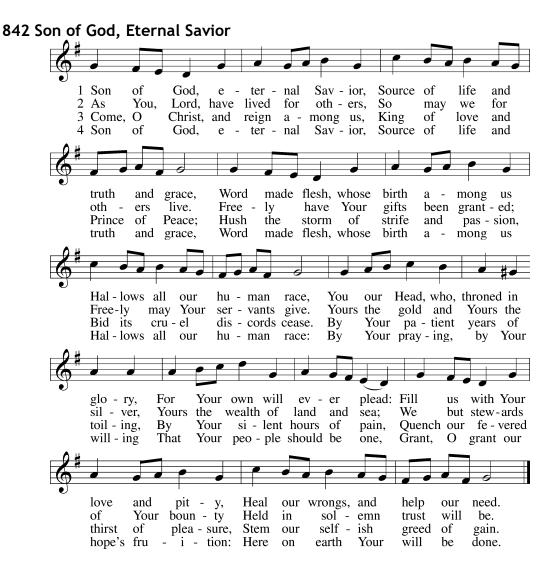


# Fourth Sunday After Epiphany January 28, 2024

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**VISITORS** please sign our **GUEST BOOK** located in the narthex.VISITORS and MEMBERS please add your name to the Friendship Register book at the end of the pew and pass it down to others in your pew.



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Tune: Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse . . . Contradanseu, c. 1710, Amsterdam

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## Confession and Absolution

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.
- P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved.

Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C Amen.

## Service of the Word

#### Introit

Psalm 32:1–2, 5–7; antiphon: v. 10

Many are the sorrows of the wicked,

but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

Blessèd is the one whose transgression is forgiven,

whose sin is covered.

Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity,

and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;

surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.

You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble;

you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

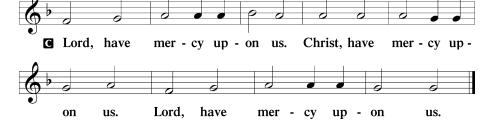
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Many are the sorrows of the wicked,

but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.



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# Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And with thy spirit.
- P Let us pray.

Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in

all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C Amen.

## **Old Testament Reading**

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

15"The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen— <sup>16</sup>just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.' <sup>17</sup>And the LORD said to me, 'They are right in what they have spoken. <sup>18</sup>I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. <sup>19</sup>And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. <sup>20</sup>But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Epistle 1 Corinthians 8:1–13

<sup>1</sup>Concerning food offered to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." This "knowledge" puffs up, but love builds up. <sup>2</sup>If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. <sup>3</sup>But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

<sup>4</sup>Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "an idol has no real existence," and that "there is no God but one." <sup>5</sup>For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords"— <sup>6</sup>yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

<sup>7</sup>However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. <sup>8</sup>Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. <sup>9</sup>But take care that this right of yours -6-

does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. <sup>10</sup>For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? <sup>11</sup>And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. <sup>12</sup>Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. <sup>13</sup>Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Stand



Holy Gospel Mark 1:21–28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.



<sup>21</sup>They went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching. <sup>22</sup>And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. <sup>23</sup>And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, <sup>24</sup>"What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God." <sup>25</sup>But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" <sup>26</sup>And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. <sup>27</sup>And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." <sup>28</sup>And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

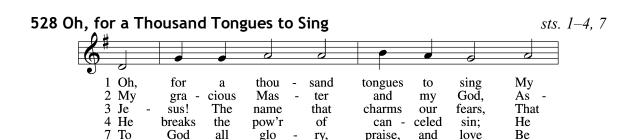


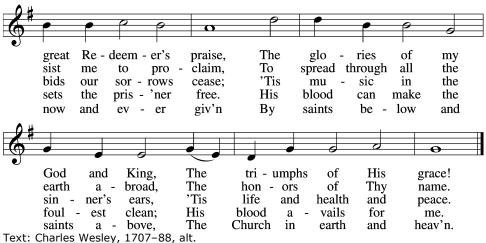
# Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.





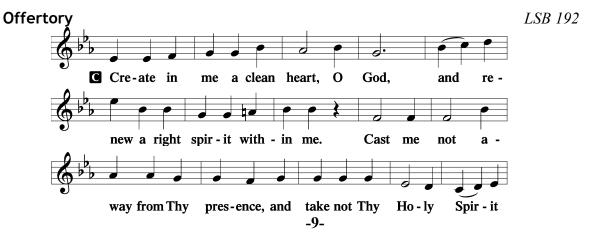
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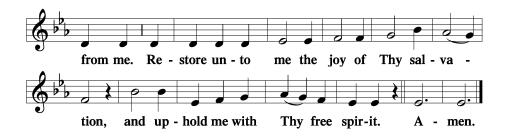
## Sermon

- P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C Amen.

# **Reception of New Members**

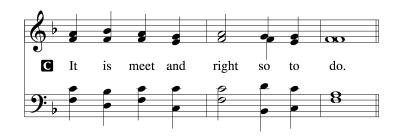
Prayer of the Church (printed on page 18)



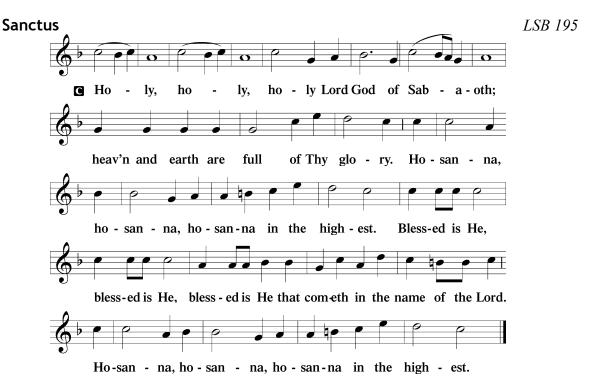


# Service of the Sacrament





P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Lord's Prayer 196

C Our Father who art in heaven,

hallowed be Thy name,

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;

give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;

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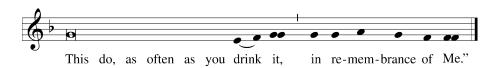
and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

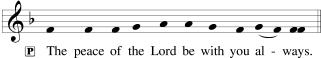
# The Words of Our Lord P Our Lord Je-sus Christ, on the night when He was be-trayed, took bread, and when He had giv - en thanks, He broke it and gave it to the dis-ci-ples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + bod-y, which is giv-en for you. This do in re-mem - brance of Me." In the same way al -He took the cup after sup-per, and when He had giv-en thanks, He gave it to them, say - ing: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in

My H blood, which is shed for you for the for-give-ness of sins.

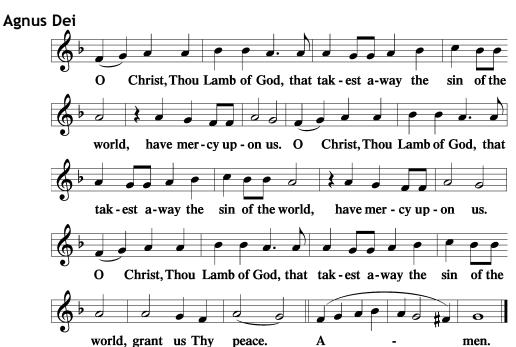




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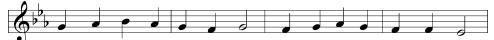


# **Distribution**

#### 953 We All Believe in One True God



- 1 We all be-lieve in one true God, Fa ther, Son, and Ho ly Ghost,
- 2 We all be-lieve in Je-sus Christ, Son of God and Mar-y's son,
- 3 We all con-fess the Ho-ly Ghost, Who from both in truth pro-ceeds,



Ev - er - pres - ent help in need, Praised by all the heav'n - ly host; Who de - scend - ed from His throne And for us sal - va - tion won; Who sus - tains and com-forts us In all tri - als, fears, and needs.



All He made His love en-folds, All cre - a - tion He up-holds. By whose cross and death are we Res - cued from all mis - er - y. Bless-ed, ho - ly Trin - i - ty, Praise for - ev - er be to Thee!

Text: Tobias Clausnitzer, 1619–84; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.

Tune: Neu-vermehrtes . . . Gesangbuch, 1693, 3rd ed., Meiningen

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394 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



- 1 Songs of thank ful ness and praise, Je sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
- 2 Man i fest at Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme;
- 3 Man i fest in mak-ing whole Pal sied limbs and faint ing soul;
- 4 Sun and moon shall dark-ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;
- 5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres ent in Thy ho ly Word—



Man - i - fest - ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far, And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest; Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell - ing all the dev - il's might; Christ will then like light - ning shine, All will see His glo-rious sign; Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;

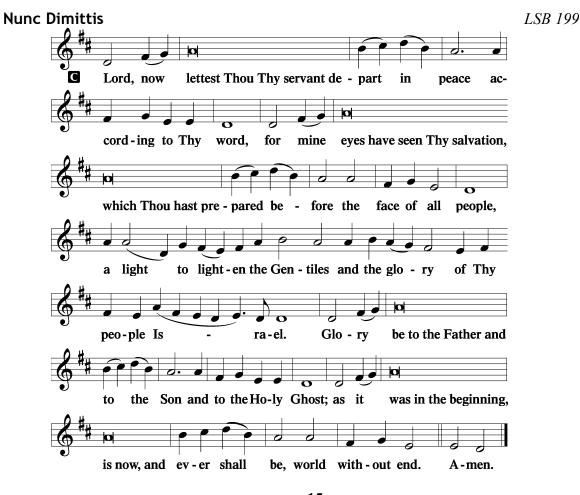




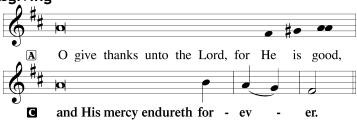
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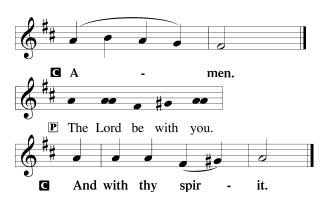


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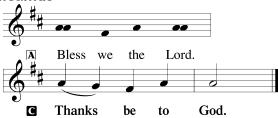


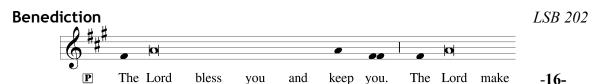
## A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



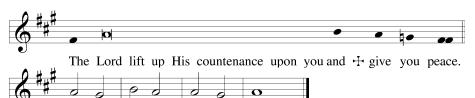








His face shine upon you and be gra-cious un - to you.



C A-men, a-men, a men.

# 918 Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer



William Williams, 1717-91

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# Prayer of the Church—Ektene Form Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany (B) 28 January 2024

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

To the Holy Trinity who alone is God of gods and Lord of lords, from whom with Jesus Christ are all things, and for the revelation of His saving knowledge to us and all the world, that together we may be known by God, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.** 

For the Church and her ministers, that the God who speaks by His Christ, the Prophet greater than Moses, would make them diligent to listen to His Word and speak it faithfully in His name; and that God would preserve us from false prophets who would lead us away from His truth, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For our families and homes, that God would guard them and build them up in love; that He would support parents in their task of instructing their children; that He would strengthen those whose faith is weak; and that He would make us bold to forego convenience and security to attest the truths of our most holy faith, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For the health and success of our president and governor, our legislators and judges, and all who serve for our governance and protection, that God would make them high in purpose, wise in counsel and unwavering in duty, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.** 

For those who are sick, distressed, in danger or facing any need, *[especially \_\_\_\_\_,]* that the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Great Physician who cast out unclean spirits and taught with authority, would sustain them with patience, trusting in His merciful care, and so graciously relieve them, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.** 

For all who partake this day of Christ's holy body and blood, that in their eating and drinking they may receive the benefits of forgiveness of sins and renewal of life, and so receive a foretaste of the feast to come, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.** 

For all the baptized, that as we face the temptations of the devil, the world and our sinful flesh, we may be enabled to win the victory over all that threatens our faith, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, w draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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# **SERVING IN WORSHIP**

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#### REMEMBER IN PRAYER.....

- + Betty Libke, Luda Wiesert, Marc Burgess, Paula Walker, Linda Cheney,
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  Donna Geisler, John Stoecker, Truman Baird, Alma Silberstein, Barbara Best,
  Sherry Hornung
  - + Homebound members: Vern Gleaves, Jerry Fibelstad, Inge Smith
  - + For our nation and all of God's world dealing with health issues, unrest and violence, weather-related damage, hunger and drought in many countries.
  - + The blessing of the UO Student Food Pantry housed here at Grace.
  - + For our military serving around the world some who continue to serve in harm's way. Keep them safe and trusting in Your protective care.

# What's Happening at Grace Next Week (Jan 28 – Feb 4)

| Sunday (Jan 28)    | 9:00 am  | Adult Bible Study          |
|--------------------|----------|----------------------------|
|                    | 10:00 am | Worship Service            |
|                    | 11:15 am | New Member Luncheon        |
|                    |          | Hosted by Onward Not Alone |
| Wednesday (Jan 31) | 10:00 am | Women's Bible Study        |
|                    | 6:15 pm  | Bell Choir Rehearsal       |
|                    | 7:15 pm  | Vocal Choir Rehearsal      |
| Thursday (Feb 1)   | 10:00 am | Men's Bible Study          |
| Friday (Feb 2)     | 6:00 pm  | (Zumba Class)              |
| Sunday (Feb 4)     | 10:00 am | Worship Service            |

# New Member Luncheon- Sunday, January 28

Come one, come all! A Potluck Luncheon to welcome recent new members of Grace Lutheran Church is planned for **Sunday**, **January 28**. It will take place after the service when we normally have coffee hour.

Please bring a salad to share. Deliver your food dishes to the kitchen before the service. Sandwiches and dessert will be provided. All are encouraged to come and meet these new fellow believers, and enjoy a time of fun, food, and fellowship!

# **GRACE WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS:**

**Janet Clark** 

Dennis & Brenda Meyer

**Neil & Cathy Patton** 

Rich & Deb Weaver

**Koe Sylwester** 

## Pastor's Joe's YouTube channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBMEPT5EQm7NAs50Wx4Tznw

<u>OFFICE HOURS</u> – Tuesday-Friday from 9:00am to 2:00pm. You can email the office or phone and leave a message when I am not here. Hal

**OFFICE EMAIL CHANGE:** Email sent to the church office should no longer be addressed to the secretary by name. Email should be sent to: office@glchurch.org

**<u>Do you need help with something?</u>** Call Janet Borchard (541-579-1467) or Elaine Barbisan (541-343-0452) and we will work to find a church member to help you with house and yard needs you might not be able to do yourself.



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## Weekday Bible study opportunities:

Women's Bible study on Zoom meets on Wednesday mornings at 10am. The Women's group will be studying Exodus with Pastor Joe. If you would like to be added to the email list to receive the Zoom link each week, contact Barb Ronne at <a href="mailto:jm@glchurch.org">jm@glchurch.org</a>. Meeting (even remotely) provides a wonderful way for us to bond with each other, share our burdens and joys, and study God's Word in-depth. Consider joining this study group!

A men's Bible study on Zoom meets on Thursday mornings at 10 am. They will study the book of Exodus. Contact Randy Ronne at <a href="rvr@glchurch.org">rvr@glchurch.org</a> to be added to the email list to receive the Zoom link each week.

Coffee Sign-up Sheet.... There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex if you would like to sign up for a coffee hour after worship on Sundays.

Flower Chart... There is a 2024 Flower Chart on the wall by the mailboxes. If you would like to donate flowers for the altar on Sunday mornings, please sign up on the chart and a reminder will be sent to you.

**PORTALS OF PRAYER** is a quarterly booklet that contains daily devotions and prayers. The January-March booklet is available on the table in the narthex. There are a few copies of large print and half-page size booklets. Take one home for your daily devotions.

MY DEVOTIONS for children is available on the table in the narthex. The December-**February** issue is out there now. Consider picking one up for your children or grandchildren to enjoy and grow in their relationship with Jesus.



Save your (redeemable 10¢) soda and water cans and plastic containers. Please do NOT put other plastics or cans in the boxes. Two boxes are in the narthex. All donations will be given to Dove Medical. This is an ongoing project. Thank you.

Grace is hosting a drop-in Zumba class! Friday evenings 6-7pm. Cost is \$5 per class and friends are welcome. For more information call Cyndi Baumgarten 907-687-6767.

# The Lutheran Hour Broadcast

Sunday Mornings – 7:00am --- on KPIJ --- 88.5 FM 8:00am --- on KKNX – 840 AM & 105.1 FM Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler delivers the messages.

# February 4: "Nature Abhors A Vacuum"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

What fills the heart that has no room to forgive? (Ephesians 4:32)

## February 11: "What Is Evangelism?"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

How do you encourage someone to receive the gift God has for them? (Mark 9:7-8)

# February 18: "Redeeming DIY"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

DIY (Mark 1:12-13)

# February 25: "When Winning Is Losing"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. John Nunes

(Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16; Psalm 22:23-31; Romans 5:1-11; Mark 8:8-27)

The Lutheran Hour can also be heard on the internet or downloaded onto an MP3 player at <a href="www.lutheranhour.org">www.lutheranhour.org</a>. If you would like to listen to The Lutheran Hour message and need assistance with the above options, please call Barb Ronne at 541-343-0327.

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## PARISH / FELLOWSHIP HALL TILE REPLACEMENT

The tiles in the Parish Hall are going to be replaced.

## TIME LINE:

## Sunday January 28:

After the New Member Luncheon help will be needed to remove everything from the Parish Hall.

# Monday January 29 through Friday February 2:

The tiles will be removed and the Parish Hall will be completely OFF LIMITS.

Access to the Office will be only through the door on  $17^{\text{th}}$  Avenue. There can be no traffic through Parish Hall.

Office personnel will not be able to help others enter through other doors.

Access to the Kitchen will be through the Fireside Room.

# Monday February 5 through Friday February 9:

New tiles will be put down.

## Monday February 12 week:

New floor will be cleaned and waxed.

# **Saturday February 17:**

Help will be needed to move items back into Hall.

All inquiries should be directed to Rick Krumdieck.