

Welcome to Grace United Methodist Church!!

Sunday – January 25, 2026 – 9:00 am



Meditation Verse: *“Come, my heart says, seek God’s face.
Lord, I do seek your face!” - Psalm 27:8*

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Order of Worship

Welcome and Opening Prayer

*Opening Hymn: #398 – Jesus Calls Us

Call to Worship:

Leader: Children of God, when fears press in on every side, we can proclaim with confidence:

**People: God is our light and our salvation!
Whom shall we fear?**

Leader: When our problems overwhelm us and we feel pressed in on every side, we can declare with confidence:

People: God is our stronghold of our lives! Of whom shall we be afraid?

Leader: No matter the troubles we face, we seek after God and to live in the house of God forever.

People: God shelters and protects us in the day of trouble.

Leader: Come, let us worship God with joy, for God is our light and salvation!

**People: We come to worship as bearers of the Light.
Thanks be to God! Amen.**

*Passing of the Peace

*Hymn #504 – The Old Rugged Cross

Scriptures: Psalm 27:1 & 4-9 and Matthew 4:12-23

Kids Message

Message "Carrying the Light"

*Song of Response: Start a Fire

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Announcements

*Closing Song: My Lighthouse

*Blessing

*(Please stand as you are able.)

GPS – Grow, Pray, Study

- 1) *Grow*. Was anything unsettling or challenging in the message today? Why was it so? How might wrestling with this lead to growth in your faith?
- 2) *Pray*. Who do you know that needs to be bathed in Christ's light and love? Spend some time in prayer this week seeking the Holy Spirit's guidance and direction.
- 3) *Study*. Read Matthew 4:24-25. What would happen if your light and/or our church's light were to become like Jesus' light in these verses?

This Week's Scripture Readings:

Jan. 26 – 1st Corinthians 1:18-25

Jan. 27 – Micah 6:8

Jan. 28 – Psalm 15

Jan. 29 – Micah 6:1-8

Jan. 30 – 1st Corinthians 1:26-31

Jan. 31 – Matthew 5:1-9

Feb. 1 – Matthew 5:10-12

To go a little deeper into the reading for each day this week, go to pastorjohnb.org

Next Sunday's Message: "What Is Good" – Micah 6:1-8 is about worship. And worship is about living. Faithful living is about being present to one another, about walking with one another. For Jesus, it is offering self for the other in need. Doing justice, loving kindness. Walking humbly with God? Simple as seeing God in each person and then walking alongside them in all of life.

This Week at Grace

- Sun. - 8 AM – Adult Sunday School – SS Room
- Sun. - 9 AM – Worship (in person or online) – Sanctuary
- Mon. – 3 PM – Grace Kids – Fellowship Hall
- Tues. - 3 PM – Art with Heart – Fellowship Hall
- Wed. - 7:45 AM – Women’s Small Group – SS Room
- Wed. – 1 PM – Midweek Chat – Chapel
- Wed. - 5:30 PM – Youth Group – Fellowship Hall
- Thur. - 5:30 PM – Men’s Bible Study – Fellowship Hall
- Fri. – 6:30 AM – Ladies’ Bible Study - Chapel

Upcoming Happenings at Grace

- Feb. 17 – 6:15/7 PM – Team/Leadership Meetings
- Feb. 18 – 6PM – Ash Wednesday Worship

Announcements:

The Mission of the month for January is
CISS – Crisis Intervention Shelter Services - Sturgis.

To make a one-time gift to Grace UMC or to the Mission of the Month (or to set up a recurring gift), please scan the QR code. Thank you for your generosity and support!



Please check the sign-up sheets across the hall from the drinking fountains to see when YOU could serve as a greeter, reader, or treat provider.

Please keep food and drinks in Fellowship Hall. Thank You!

May God bless you throughout the coming week!!