

Joys and Prayers

Prayers for Marv and Rhonda Whitman's friend, Paul who was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer on February 3rd. He will be going to Mayo for treatment. May God bring strength and comfort for Paul and his family.

Prayers for healing for Grace Dixie Giese, her parents Brooke and Grant Giese, and her grandparents Steve and Sara Brantner. Baby Grace has gone home, your prayers and thoughts have been so appreciated!

Prayers for Kimberly Martinson who has been moved to Mayo in Menomonie, Room #2.

Prayers for Greg Kleindl's son in-law, Michael as he deals with his revolving ALS symptoms, also for Greg's wife, Cindy's who struggles with continued fatigue.

Thank you to everyone for your prayers, cards and calls during my vestibular migraines. And your patience for me being out of office. Your kindness and love has meant so much to me. I will always be grateful! Love, Lori Owen

Home Bound or in Care Centers

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Sunday Bulletin

March 15, 2026

Welcome

*"The LORD is
my Shepherd,
I shall not
want." -
Psalm 23:1*



WORSHIP WARM-UP

"Jesus, Savior Pilot Me" Hymnal #509

"You are the Seed" FWS #2173

"Can the World See Jesus in You?" (see words on screen)

GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Beloved, the journey of grace takes us to still waters, the valley of the shadow of death, even to tables surrounded by our enemies.

People: We gather to worship God, our Shepherd, who guides us on the journey.

Leader: The journey of grace points us toward the Light so that we may bear the fruit of the Light in all that we do.

People: We gather to be formed by grace so that our lives may bear the fruit of all that is good and right and true.

Leader: The journey of grace calls us to pay attention, to discern what is pleasing to God.

People: We gather to listen to the Spirit, who empowers us to go from this place to work together to do what is pleasing to God.

Leader: Come, let us worship God who provides, inspires, and empowers us on the journey of grace.

People: Come, let us worship God as we journey in grace together! Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, July 2025.

*OPENING SONG

"Open My Eyes, That I May See"

Hymnal # 454

OPENING PRAYER

Loving Shepherd, you know our names; you care for us. When we face darkness and death, journey alongside us. When we hunger for your love, fill us with your presence. When we are fearful, feed us at your table. May we dwell in the house of goodness and mercy all the days of our lives. Amen.

Written by Mary Petrina Boyd

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 23
Ephesians 5:8-14
John 9:1-41

MESSAGE

"Blindly Stumbling or Walking in the Light?"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer
The Lord's Prayer

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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRAYER HYMN

"Lead Me, Guide Me"

Faith We Sing # 2214

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

Hymnal # 94

OFFERING PRAYER

Radiant Shepherd, you walk beside us through valleys and over mountaintops, guiding us with grace and guarding us with love. In your presence, we lack nothing that truly matters. Even in a world clouded by shadows, your light shines through—inviting us to live as children of the day. Receive these gifts, O God, as signs of our desire to walk in your ways, to live as your people, and to shine with the goodness, justice, and truth that reflect your image. Let our giving be more than ritual; let it be an act of trust, a response to your faithfulness, and a testimony of your light at work in us. In Christ's holy name, we pray, **Amen.**

*HYMN

"Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"

Hymnal # 465

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE Bach's 2-part inventions

Upcoming Events

March 15, 2026

Messy Church, 2nd Sunday of the month starting at 10:30, with fun crafts and activities, worship, and a lunch. Join us!

Lenten Soup & Supper Wednesdays, Supper at 6 pm, Worship at 6:45. Please sign up in the narthex if you can help bring soup or bread. Thank you!

Sarah Zarbock, our Parish Nurse to be in office most Fridays from 9:30 am-11:30 in the conference room. Feel free to stop by with any health or faith concerns.

Adult Book Study on "Mere Christianity written by C.S. Lewis will resume next Sunday, and will wrap up on March 29. 8 week study after Fellowship. Contact Sarah Zarbock for details.

Mom's Group, 4th Sunday of the month 10:15 am, Education wing. Childcare available.

Foot & Nail Clinic with Nurse Jacki Bruchert 2nd Wednesday of the month 9:00-3:00 pm. Contact Jackie at 715-529-5637 to schedule appt.

Prayer Shawl Ministry, Third Thursday of the Month, 4:00 pm Fireside room for more information contact Margaret Hastings or Sarah Zarbock.

GriefShare Saturdays until March 21 1:00-3:00 pm. For info contact Sarah Zarbock.

ALB Potluck Brunch every 3rd Sunday of the month. Bring a dish to pass if you can, or just join us for nourishing food and inspiring conversation! 10:00 am. For more info contact Janet Mangette at 715-505-6748 or jmangette@hotmail.com. Everyone Welcome!

Easter Flowers will be ordered this week! Lilies and Mums will be available, the cost is \$10 per plant. Fill out the form in the narthex or in the office.

Joyful Noise schedule: March 24, 31, April 14, 21, 28, May 5.
Concert is May 12, 6-7:30 pm

Monday's Meal March 16

Menu subject to change

Sloppy Joe, Chips, Fruit, Sweet Treat

Always
be kind