

# Activities

## ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

- Monday** - Office Closed  
**Tuesday**  
 7:00 a.m. - **Men's Tuesday Morning Coffee** - Russ' Restaurant  
 6:00 a.m. - **Election**, Intersection until 10:00 p.m.  
**Wednesday**  
 6:30 - 7:00 a.m. - **Wednesday Morning Prayer**, Pastor's Office  
 9:00 a.m. - **Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study**, Fireside Room  
 6:00 p.m. - **Pizza & Family Night Activities**, Intersection  
 6:30 p.m. - **Middle School Youth Group**, Intersection  
 6:30 p.m. - **Boy's Club, God's Girls, Kid's Club**  
 6:30 p.m. - **Women's Bible Study**, Fireside Room  
 6:30 p.m. - **Friendship Circle Quilting Group**, Church Basement  
 6:30 p.m. - **Men's Bible Study**, Education Office  
**Thursday**  
 10:00 a.m. - **Staff Meeting**, Fireside Room  
**Friday**  
**Saturday**  
 8:00 a.m. - **Men's Basketball**, Intersection

## ADVANCED NOTICE

- Sunday, January 20 - 11:00 a.m. - Luncheon for 1st or 2nd Time Visitors, Fireside Room  
 Sunday, January 20 - 4:00 p.m. - High School Students, Tubing at Pando Ski Resort  
 Tuesday, January 29 - 6:15 p.m. - Holland Classis Meeting, Sanctuary, Fireside Rm.  
 Thursday, January 31 - 7:00 p.m. - "House of Prayer" Meeting, Fireside Room

## Elders and Deacons Serving on Consistory - 2008

- Elders:** Bloemers, Gregg - 10  
 Brown, Kel - 09  
 Bruins, John - 09  
 Crawford, Jayne - 09  
 Kooiker, Larry - **Clerk** - 10  
 Prince, Ed - 08  
 Redder, Lloyd - **Vice President** - 08  
 Shumaker, Roger - 08
- Deacons:** Bleeker, Mark - **Treasurer** - 09  
 Bredeweg, Ed - **Chairman of the Deacons** - 08  
 Dykema, Jamie - 10  
 Kiekintveld, Ron - 08  
 Prince, Wilma -  
**Assistant Treasurer** - 08  
 Rich, Pat - 10  
 Russell, Josh - 09  
 Zoerman, Dave - 09

# Grace Community Church Morning Order of Worship

## Prayer Exchange

- Prelude  
 Welcome & Announcements Brian Crawford  
 Call to Worship "Bigger Than Us"  
 \*The Lord's Prayer  
 \*Greet One Another  
 \*Songs of Praise & Worship "You Are Worthy of My Praise"  
 "You Are My God"  
 "More Love, More Power"  
 Installation of New Elder: **Gregg Bloemers**  
 Special Music Tessa Bloemers  
*Children's Worship dismissed 3 yrs. - 2nd grade*  
 Presentation of our Tithes & Offerings  
 Offertory / Building Fund Offering "Standing on the Promises" #271  
**(Those who desire healing prayer, please come forward during the offering)**  
 Prayer of Healing / Prayers of the People / Prayer Pages / Prayer Shawl Ministry  
 Special Music Tessa Bloemers  
 God's Word for Us 1 Kings 8:54-61 (pg. #537)  
 Good News "A CALL TO COMMITMENT"  
 Prayer of Invitation  
 Invitation to Prayer Room  
 \*Response "I Pledge Allegiance to the Lamb"

\* Feel free to stand, sit, kneel, bow, dance... worship however the Spirit leads.

Message: Pastor Aaron Anderson  
**Authenticity**

### Ushers This Week:

Larry Kooiker, Gregg Bloemers, Dave Young

### Ushers Next Week: January 20

Josh Russell, Joyce Brown, Ed Prince

### Nursery Attendants During Worship This Week:

**a.m.:** Pam Dykema, Brynn Kooiker, Barb DeFeyer, Rita Gorter

### Nursery Attendants During Worship Next Week: January 20

**a.m.:** Glenda Grassmid, Andrea Rosendahl, Beth Bloemers, Brittani Redder

## GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH MINISTRY STAFF

- Aaron Anderson - Pastor  
 Rev. Red Faber - Pastor of Emeritus  
 Amy Russell - Director of Education  
 Lisa Crozier - Director of Music  
 Kathy Bruins - Prayer Leader
- Brian Crawford - Director of Student Ministries  
 Brenda Kolean - Secretary  
 Bob & Lois VanderZwaag - Custodians  
 Dave Zoerman - Kid's Hope Director

**Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday**  
**8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

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**Sunday, January 13, 2008**

## Mission Statement

To Share the Good News of Salvation in Christ Jesus,  
 Pray and Show God's Love"

## MORNING WORSHIP

9:30 A.M.

Prayer Exchange  
 Special Music - Tessa Bloemers  
 Building Fund Collection

1 Kings 8:54-61 (pg. #537)  
 "A CALL TO COMMITMENT"

Message: Pastor Aaron Anderson

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## EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 P.M.

Call to Worship/Opening Prayer  
 Songs of Praise & Worship  
 Prayer Requests

Joel 1:1-12 (pg. #1412)  
**Series: "The Minor Prophets"**  
 "THE WHATEVER SYNDROME"

Message: Pastor Aaron Anderson

**Organ: Carla Machiela**  
**Song Leader: Ruth Bloemers**

## ACTIVITIES TODAY

- 9:15 a.m. - Pre-Worship Prayer  
 • Pastor's Office
- Children's Worship 3 yrs. - 2nd Grade  
 • Room #115
- 11:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
 3rd - 5th Grade  
 • Room #120
- 11:00 a.m. - Middle School Classes  
 • Intersection - Upstairs

### (Teen & Adult Classes)

- 11:00 a.m. - High School & Adult Class  
**"Liquid" DVD Series**  
 • Education Office
- 11:00 a.m. - High School & Adult Class  
**"An Unstoppable Force"**  
 • Consistory Room
- 11:00 a.m. - Paula's Class  
**"Life Reaches Out"**  
 • Pastor's Office
- 4:30 p.m. - Music Committee Mtg.  
 • Sanctuary
- 5:30 p.m. - High School AMPED Youth Group  
 • Intersection
- 5:45 p.m. - Pre-Worship Prayer  
 • Pastor's Office

### "THE YEAR OF THE BIBLE READING"

- Sunday, January 13: Genesis 26, 27 / Matthew 10  
 Monday, January 14: Genesis 28, 29 / Psalm 7, 8  
 Tuesday, January 15: Genesis 30, 31 / Matthew 11  
 Wednesday, January 16: Genesis 32, 33 / Matthew 12  
 Thursday, January 17: Genesis 34, 35, 36 / Matthew 13  
 Friday, January 18: Genesis 37, 38 / Psalm 9  
 Saturday, January 19: Genesis 39, 40 / Matthew 14

## Welcome Visitors

We welcome you to Grace and thank you for worshipping with us. We are a church of people who love the Lord and welcome all of God's people no matter where they are in their spiritual journey. All visitors are invited to join us on the third Sunday of the month for a free meal after the worship service. We are excited to meet you!

## Kid's Hope

**Story of the Week** - Miss Mary was reading a book titled Winn Dixie to Jose while he was eating lunch. After reading that the heroine's father had been a missionary, Miss Mary asked Jose if he knew what a missionary was. "No," replied Jose, "I don't know what a missionary is." So Miss Mary explained that missionaries are people who go to other countries to help other people. "Oh, like you," Jose responded with confidence. "Like all the KID'S HOPE mentors who help children!"

## Thank You

How does an amazingly fun event that shares hope through Jesus and connects people around the world happen? God places an idea or burden on a person's heart. God orchestrates the dates. A pastor in tune to the heart of God embraces the idea and a God following Consistory approves the idea. More than enough families come forward to host children and adults in their home who they don't know (even if they are a bit nervous about the idea.) More than enough families volunteer to pay for hotel rooms that are needed (even if times might be tight.) Free advertising falls into place (an invitation can even be given and accepted several times over through the public school systems internet service.) Family and friends are given and accept an invitation to attend. Parents and their children set-up tables and chairs. Countless people step up and prepare more food than they usually would for a fabulous potluck. Many people of all ages help out to get a job completed. The entire process is covered in prayer. What can happen at and through an event orchestrated by God? People feel and see what excites God and what burdens the heart of God. People meet and fall in love with others from another continent. Hope is shared. Money is collected and given to a ministry ordained by God. People are excited and looking to see how and where they can be used in a new way by God. What happens next???...A huge thank-you to everyone who helped last weekend in so many various ways for the WATOTO concert!!!

Thanks to everyone that made the Watoto Children's' Choir concert a reality, Grace was certainly blessed through their songs and testimonies. A special thank you to Kristi Rosendahl for all the work she did in making sure they had homes to stay in, and to those who opened their home to these children and their chaperones. Also a thank you to all who made the great food, and helped with the clean up. ... The Social Committee

A sincere thanks to all who have kindly parked my car and also returned it making it much easier for me to attend Grace Church. For more than 45 years much love and care has taken place at Grace Church for all ages and under all circumstances because of your generosity and dedication as well as many dedicated Pastors all working together and God has richly blessed us. ... Millie Koetje

## NURSERY SCHEDULE

January 27: Sandy Bjorum, Judy Bareman, Natasha Beukema

February 3: Amy Russell, Annika Anderson, Diane Kooiker, Tycen Kooiker  
February 10: Joyce Brown, Adam Zoerman, Rose Houtman, Eric Rosendahl  
February 17: Kel Brown, Travis Rosendahl, Sue Redder, Tori Zoerman  
February 24: Dorothy DeBoer, Danielle Crozier, Pat Weatherwax, Rita Gorter

## Educational Ministries

**Children's Worship Helpers Needed** - For the New Year! There is a new sign-up sheet on the ledge for Children's Worship. Please take a moment and sign-up to help for a Sunday or two!

**Drink Boxes and Snacks** - Are needed for Children's Worship. Donations can be placed in the Education Office. Thank you for your continued generosity.

### **Join Us For Sunday School**

There are some great new options for our High Schoolers and Adults to choose from as well as classes for kids 3 year olds through middle school.

**Children's Worship** - (3 years old – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade) will be dismissed during the worship service and all other classes begin at 11:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome! Sunday School is dismissed at 11:55 a.m.

**Join Us Every Wednesday Night** - Starting with dinner at 6:00 p.m. at the Intersection and classes from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. There is something for everyone with Kid's Club, God's Girls, Boy's Club, the women's Friendship Circle quilting group, and women's and men's Bible study. Bring the whole family for a night of fun!

**Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study** - Brr...it's cold outside, but a warm welcome awaits all women at the Wednesday morning Women's Bible study. We will be studying Lesson #2, days 1, 2, & 3 of "A Woman of Hospitality," by Dee Brestin on January 16, 2008. Join us from 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. for a fun and exciting time of getting to know each other and learning from God's Word. There are books and a sign-up sheet on the ledge by the church office.

## Student Ministries

**High School AMPED Leaders Meeting** - Will be meeting the 1st Sunday of each month at the Intersection at 7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday "After School" Hours** - There will not be Tuesday "After School" hours this week due to the elections. We will meet again on Tuesday January 22nd from 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. See you there, and don't forget to bring your friends.

**Middle School Youth Group** - Meets every Wednesday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Come early with your family for pizza. All students 6th-8th grade are welcome to join us.

**AMPED High School Youth Group** - Meets every Sunday from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. All students who are in 9th - 12th grade are invited. Sunday, January 20 we will be going Crazy Tubing at Pando Ski Resort. We will meet at the Intersection at 4:00 p.m. We will be tubing at Pando from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. We will return to the Intersection at 9:00 p.m. Wear very warm cloths and boots. The cost for the event is \$15.00 each.

## General Info

**2008 Budget Update** - We are truly blessed here at Grace. Please keep Grace Community Church in your prayers. Offering needed per week for 2008: **\$6,309.00**. Offering, January 6, 2008: **\$5,363.50**. Year to Date +/- : (- **\$945.50**)

**Our Offering Collection** - For the Watoto Children's Choir was: \$3,527.81. Thank you Grace Church for your generosity, you are awesome.

**2008 Offering Envelopes** - Offering envelopes are available on the table in the Narthex.

**3:16 Small Group Sign Up** - On Feb. 10 we will begin a new sermon series guided by Max Lucado's new book titled 3:16. The Numbers of Hope. It is a 7-week study on the most famous verse in the Bible, John 3:16. During these 7-weeks we will meet in weekly small groups to go deeper in our study. The small groups will individually determine when and where they will meet, based on the participant's schedules. We want to encourage everyone to be a part of a small group study. It is only a 7-week commitment. Please commit to be in a small group, by Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup>.

JOURNEY at Western Theological Seminary invites you to join them at a service commemorating the life and work of DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING. This will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 21, 2008 at Mulder Chapel. The speaker will be Jeffrey Hough, pastor of the Community Church in Muskegon and students at WTS and music will be provided by the Seminary Singers.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** - New from the "House of Prayer": Knit/crochet and pray a prayer shawl for those from our church who are hurting, either physically or emotionally for extended periods of time. Joan Breuker will be the prayer facilitator of this new room. She will have the details, instructions, etc. to get you started. Don't know how to knit? Joan is also willing to teach anyone to knit who would like to learn. Please sign up outside the church office if you would be interested in being a part of this ministry that will offer prayer, comfort, love, and peace to those in our church. Please contact Kathy Bruins if you have questions.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

Special Session of the Classis of Holland

Sunday, January 20, 2008 – 2:45 p.m.

Purpose: The purpose of the session is the Installation of Rev. Mary Wisner as Associate Pastor at the First Reformed Church of Holland.

Place: First Reformed Church  
(630 State Street Holland—corner of State Street and 26<sup>th</sup> Street)  
Service Time: 3:00 p.m.