

# Activities

## ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

- Monday** -Office Closed  
9:30 a.m. - **Prayer Group**, Music Director's Office, Everyone is Welcome!
- Tuesday**  
7:00 a.m. - **Men's Tuesday Morning Coffee** - Russ' Restaurant  
2:30 p.m. - **Tuesday "After School Hours"**, Intersection  
7:00 p.m. - **Drama Rehearsal**
- 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**
- Friday**  
6:30 p.m. - **Grace Night Out**, Russ' North
- Saturday**  
8:00 a.m. - **Men's Basketball**, Intersection  
1:00 p.m. - **Authenticity Practice**  
8:30 p.m. - **Prayer Facilitators Meeting**, deBoers Cafe'

## ADVANCED NOTICE

- Sunday, December 2 - Communion & Prayer Exchange  
Sunday, December 2 - 7:30 p.m. - High School Leaders Meeting, Intersection  
Monday, December 3 - 7:00 p.m. - "House of Prayer" Christmas Gathering  
Thursday, December 6 - 7:00 p.m. - Holland Prayer Leaders Mtg., Fireside Room  
Friday, December 7 - 7:00 p.m. - Concert  
Sunday, December 9 - 4:00 p.m. - Staff Relations Meeting, Room #116  
Monday, December 10 - 7:00 p.m. - Women's Evening Bible Study, Consistory Rm.  
Tuesday, December 11 - 3:30 p.m. - Kid's Hope Christmas Program, Intersection  
Tuesday, December 11 - 7:00 p.m. - Drama Rehearsal  
Thursday, December 13 - 6:00 p.m. - Elders & Deacons Meeting  
Thursday, December 13 - 7:00 p.m. - Consistory Meeting  
Saturday, December 15 - 9:00 a.m. - Kid's Choir Rehearsal  
Sunday, December 16 - 11:00 a.m. - 1st & 2nd Time Visitors Luncheon, Fireside Rm  
Sunday, December 16 - Kid's Christmas Program  
Sunday, December 16 - AMPED Christmas Card Handout & Bash  
Wednesday, December 19 - 6:00 p.m. - Middle School Christmas Party, Intersection  
Monday, December 24 - 7:00 p.m. - Christmas Eve Service

## Elders and Deacons Serving on Consistory - 2007

- Elders:** Beukema, Mike - **Vice President** - 07  
Brown, Kel - 09  
Bruins, John - 09  
Crawford, Jayne - 09  
Prince, Ed - 08  
Redder, Lloyd - **Clerk** - 08  
Shumaker, Roger - 08  
Tubergan, Dewey - 07
- Deacons:** Bleeker, Mark - **Chairman of the Deacons** - 09  
Bredeweg, Ed - 08  
Brown, Joyce - **Treasurer** - 07  
Kiekintveld, Ron - 08  
Lynema, Todd - 07  
Prince, Wilma -  
**Assistant Treasurer** - 08  
Russell, Josh - 09  
Zoerman, Dave - 09

# Grace Community Church Morning Order of Worship

- Prelude  
Welcome & Announcements Brian Crawford  
Call to Worship "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" #435  
\*Songs of Praise & Worship "We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise"  
"Sing a Song"  
"Shout to the Lord"
- Prayer of Praise  
\*The Lord's Prayer  
\*Greet One Another
- Children's Worship dismissed 3 yrs. - 2nd grade*
- Presentation of our Tithes & Offerings  
Offertory Special Music Lisa Crozier  
(Those who desire healing prayer, please come forward during the offering)  
Prayer of Healing / Prayers of the People / Prayer Pages  
**Sermon Series: "Thanks Giving"**  
God's Word for Us 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (pg. #1841)  
Good News "THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF THANKFULNESS"  
Prayer of Invitation  
Invitation to Prayer Room  
\*Response "Be Exalted, O God" #5 - Done with an impromptu choir

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

Message: Pastor Aaron Anderson  
**Authenticity**

### Ushers This Week:

Joyce Brown, Roger Tanis, Daryl Zoerman

### Ushers Next Week: December 2

Kel Brown, John Bjorum, Carmen De Roos

### Nursery Attendants During Worship This Week:

a.m.: Rose Houtman, Andrea Rosendahl, Kel Brown, Brynn Kooiker

### Nursery Attendants During Worship Next Week: December 2

a.m.: Pat Weatherwax, Sue Redder, Rita Gorter

## 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, November 25, 2007**

## Mission Statement

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

## 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
- Sanctuary
- 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
- 5:30 p.m. - High School AMPED Youth Group
- Intersection
- 5:45 p.m. - Pre-Worship Prayer
- Pastor's Office

## MORNING WORSHIP

9:30 A.M.

### Sermon Series: "Thanks Giving"

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (pg. #1841)  
"THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF THANKFULNESS"

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

Isaiah 7:13-14 (pg. #1070)  
Matthew 1:18-23 (pg. #1497)  
"O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL"

Message: Pastor Aaron Anderson

**Piano: Chris Briggs**  
**Song Leader: Lisa Crozier**

## "THE YEAR OF THE BIBLE READING"

- Sunday, November 25: Daniel 1, 2, 3 / Psalm 132, 133, 134  
Monday, November 26: Daniel 4, 5 / 1 John 5  
Tuesday, November 27: Daniel 6, 7 / 2 John 1  
Wednesday, November 28: Daniel 8, 9 / 3 John 1  
Thursday, November 29: Daniel 10, 11, 12 / Psalm 135, 136  
Friday, November 30: Hosea 1, 2 / Jude  
Saturday, December 1: Hosea 3, 4, 5, 6 / Revelations 1

## 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!

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## Kid's Hope

**Story of the Week** - I have had only one week in the program, yet this much I can share. My little guy cannot believe his luck. Someone wants to spend a whole hour completely focused on him. And get this: he does not have to go to his German lesson. In one hour: he made a new friend; got to be in charge and showed me around; chose to play a card game—UNO—which he won so many times he purposely let me win a game; did some writing, even though he generally hates writing; got excited about some future activities, like kicking a football; got to talk about himself to someone who was interested; and, finally enlisted someone (me!) to help him do a clean-up project on the playground. All this in one hour.

**Fundraiser** - When shopping online for Christmas gifts this holiday season don't forget about our new fundraiser at: [www.supportthisministry.com/graceofholland](http://www.supportthisministry.com/graceofholland). If you have any questions about the website please talk to Dave Zoerman.

**Christmas Event** - The Christmas event will be December 11. Mentors please sign-up on the ledge if you are able to go.

**Turkeys for the Kid's Hope Families** - There is a sign-up sheet on the ledge to donate a turkey for one of our Kid's Hope families. All turkeys can be put in the freezer downstairs by December 10. There will be stickers in the kitchen to put on the turkeys to signify what they are for.

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## Thank You

I want to thank all those who sent cards and offered prayers for me when I had my recent hip surgery. I want to thank the church for the lovely plant I received also. It is so nice to be remembered and prayed for. I'm thankful for my Grace Church family. Thanks so much again. ...Ken Dykema

Dear Friends at Grace Church - Just a note to thank you all so much for your prayers during my recent surgery and hospitalization. It meant so much to know I was being lifted up in prayer. I'm feeling much better and stronger everyday. God is so good. ...Blessings, Lee DeVisser

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## Music Ministries

Do you love to sing? Mark your calendars ... the Christmas choir will be coming soon! We will rehearse on December 2 and December 9 (both Sundays) at 4:30 and one other time (to be announced) to share in song on Sunday morning, December 23 and during the Christmas Eve service. Don't miss this fun opportunity to praise your Lord!

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## NURSERY NEWS

Please, Please, when you use the nursery or send your children in to play during a meeting, please pick up the nursery afterwards. Thank you, The Nursery Committee.

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## NURSERY SCHEDULE

December 9: Kim Klaasen, Emily Rosendahl, Beth Marcus, Eric Rosendahl  
December 16: Pam Lynema, Brittani Redder, Karen Young, Natasha Beukema  
December 23: Diane Kooiker, Tycen Kooiker, Jayne Crawford, Travis Rosendahl  
December 30: Judy Bareman, Tammy Beukema, Danielle Crozier

## Educational Ministries

**Middle and High School Students** - Who are involved in the Christmas program: Please plan on joining us for rehearsals beginning next week Sunday. They will be held downstairs at 11:10 a.m. and will last about 15 minutes.

**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!

### 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.

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**Wednesday Morning Ladies Bible Study** - Our class goes from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the Fireside Room. We have chosen the **"Women of Worship"** book, by Dee Brestin, featuring a study of 10 Psalms; the book includes a CD from Integrity Music. This promises to be a fun time with a great group of women. We are on lesson 7 days 2, 3, 4 & 5, this will finish lesson seven. **A nursery will be provided.**

**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!

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## Student Ministries - 6th -12th Grade

**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"** - Meets every Tuesday from 2:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. at the Intersection.

**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.

**High School Youth Group AMPED** - Meets every Sunday from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. All students who are in 9th - 12th grade are invited.

## General Info

**2007 Budget Update** - We are truly blessed here at Grace. Please keep Grace Community Church in your prayers. Offerings needed per week: **\$6,249.00**. Offering, November 18, 2007: **\$5,090.00** - Year to Date +/- : (- **\$23,399.95**)

**Stories of Grace** – Remember, we are looking for stories of how God has worked in your life. We are looking for all types of stories. We all have a story and your story might be uplifting, inspiring or encouraging to someone else. Please e-mail or give your story to Brenda so we can compile these stories into a book by the end of the year.

**Watoto Children's Choir** - Did you know that thousands of children are left orphaned in Uganda due to the AIDS epidemic? Did you know that we have an opportunity to not only help these children but to be instrumental in helping to stop the AIDS epidemic in Uganda? Our church, yes Grace Community Church in Holland, has been selected to host the Watoto Children's Choir from Uganda for a concert!!! The concert will take place during the morning worship service on January 6 and a free will offering will be collected for this mission. Watoto is helping to provide for the physical, social and spiritual needs of these children. We are in need of people to open their homes to a group of children and their chaperon for the evening of Saturday, January 5. The groups will be comprised of 2 -3 boys or girls ages 7 -12 and their chaperon. If you are able to provide a place for one of these groups for the evening, please sign the list on the ledge. More specific times will be shared when they are available. We are also in need of one more hotel room for one night to be paid for that will house the leaders of the choir and the bus driver. If you have questions, please contact Kristi Rosendahl. Remember to mark your calendars now for January 6 and start inviting your family and friends. You won't want to miss this amazing experience!!!

**Part-Time Help Needed** - Our secretary Brenda Kolean is looking for a back-up person in the office for vacation time off or on days she is unable to be here. This will be a paid part-time position. For more information, please contact Lloyd Redder at 399-4258, or Brenda at 399-1872.

**Operation College Student** - Is off to another great start! Thanks to those who have already made donations for this project to remember our full time college students. A collection box is located in the lobby for you to drop off donations that will be packaged up and sent to our 14 college students before exam week. Use your imagination when donating - coffee, drink mix pouches to mix in individual water bottles, candy, soup, homemade treats, microwave popcorn and notes of encouragement are just a few suggestions. Also remember to sign the list if you are able to help in packing these boxes on Sunday, December 2 at 4:00 in the downstairs kitchen.

**Missionaries Christmas Cards** - Please take a moment to sign Christmas cards for our missionaries to extend our Christmas greetings and let them know we are praying for them.

**Pig-In-The-Blankets** - If you have not picked up or paid for your pig-in-the blankets that you ordered, please pay for them this week. Please pay Marion Hoeve or Brenda in the church office. We will be making them again on the Tuesday, December 11th. A sign up sheet will be on the ledge, so sign up today.

### **Shut-Ins Christmas Card List**

If you would like to send our shut-ins a Christmas card this year, the Youth Group will be delivering them again this year. The cards will be delivered on Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. The shut-ins Christmas card bags are on the table in the foyer. Name of the shut-ins are listed below.

Shirley Beckman	Pearl Doolittle	Don & Hazel Huisman	Jane Johnson
Arlene Kiekintveld	Pret Kolean	Irene Rigterink	Bea Vanderploeg