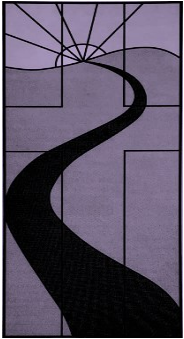


## Grace Community Christian Reformed Church

OUR VISION: Grace Community Church believes we are called by God to grow His kingdom.

OUR MISSION: We strive to spread the gospel, minister to needs, help people grow their relationship with God, and foster authentic, grace-filled relationships.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS – MARCH 8, 2026 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of LENT



#### “Aliens Along the Way” sermon series:

Each Sunday this series will help us follow the path of learning what it means to live as God’s children in His kingdom. Along the way we’ll visit our spiritual roots, where our help comes from, how to follow God’s directions, our need for God’s forgiveness, knowing and following Christ as Lord, and our obedience to our sovereign Lord.

*Join us as we learn to become more like Him!*

#### Copies of the Order of Worship are available

on the tables at the back of the sanctuary or pull it up on your device from our website:  
[www.https://www.gccrc.org/order\\_of\\_worship](https://www.gccrc.org/order_of_worship)

**We invite YOU to join us in a time of prayer** at the front of the sanctuary (or pray where you are sitting) before each service! Every Sunday, about 9:45am, our concerns, thanks, and praise are lifted up to God. You don’t need to pray out loud—God hears the prayers of our hearts. *What matters is that we pray!*

**Offering 3/8-15—General Operating Fund:** Your gift helps Grace Church to provide ministry opportunities that reach out in love and caring to our members and our neighbors. *Thank you for your support!*

#### LENTEN

#### SERMON SERIES



#### March 8

#### ‘Warnings Along the Way’

Luke 13:1-9;  
1 Corinthians 10:1-13

#### March 15

#### ‘The Cost of the Way Home’

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

#### March 22

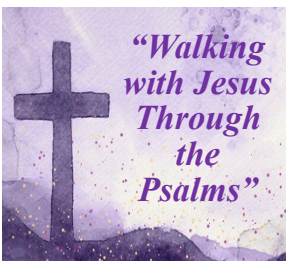
#### ‘Our Cost on the Way’

Philippians 3:8-14

**Join us in the Fellowship Hall after the service for a Potluck!**

**Use the main hallway as you exit the sanctuary.**

*All are welcome!*



**Lenten Prayer Stations** will be open **March 13 & 14 from 9am-noon both days.** We invite you to come when you can and stay as long as you like and spend some quiet time with God participating in prayer through the use of your senses and a variety of actions.

***Come. Pray. Rest.***



- **We Pray for and Express our Sympathy** to former **Pastor Michael Kooy, Trudy, and their family**. Michael's father, *John Kooy, Jr.*, passed away in Clearwater, FL on February 16 (his 96<sup>th</sup> birthday). A *Celebration of Life* will take place on Saturday, March 14, 1:00pm, at Munster Christian Reformed Church (214 Ridge Road, Munster, IN).
- **We Continue to Pray for** those serving in the military and their families, health care workers, first responders, and all those in continuing care or homebound, including: Ray Ismail, Pam Johnson, Ruth Kuipers, Ray Peterson Jr., Evelyn Van Dellen, Rich VandenBout, and Jeannette Veen.

**Prayer for our Church:** Jesus, our Savior, show Grace Church Your way. Teach us to heed Your warnings and trust Your guidance. Shape us into a church that listens and walks faithfully with You. Thank you for Your patient grace. We pray in humility, Amen.

**Thank You:** "Ken & Carol and Gary & Joan would like to thank the congregation for all the cards and expressions of sympathy received in the loss of their mother, Mert Schutt."



**Next meeting is March 20, 6-8pm. Kids ages 5-5<sup>th</sup> grade** are invited for a night of Bible lesson, worship, singing, games and more! Invite a friend and join the fun!

**Coffee Break** will host a **Lenten Prayer Breakfast** on **Tues., March 10 from 9:15-11am**. The Lenten Prayer Stations will be open for those who attend, followed by a light breakfast and a time of sharing experiences from the prayer stations. *All women are invited to attend.*

**The Prayer Team** has placed yellow index cards in the pews. They invite you to write prayer requests on them during the worship service. *These may be anonymous if you wish.* At the end of the service, place the cards in the wooden boxes on either side of the middle aisle doors as you leave the sanctuary. Our prayer partners will pray for them. "*Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.*" Romans 12:12



Lord willing **Jim Wassenaar** will have returned this weekend from an **Adult Serve Mission Trip** in Jonestown, MS. Work was done to help complete a home for a family that lost their home through a natural disaster. This year the trip was coordinated through the *But God Ministry*. Please pray the family as they adjust to having a home again, but also for the *But God Ministry* as they continue to provide opportunities for their community.

**Coffee Break** invites you to join us in collecting women's personal care products for a neighborhood organization called *Turpin Cares* **until March 10**. A list of items needed, a box to put them in, and a flyer describing the organization are on a fellowship hall table along the wall. Want more info.? Talk to Mary LeWan.