

## 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 — APRIL 6, 2025 — 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT

**We invite *you* to join us in a time of prayer** at the front of the sanctuary (or pray from where you are sitting) before each Sunday service at 9:45am. Our concerns, thanks, and praise will be 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 Apr. 6-13 — General Operating Fund:** Your gift provides the means to offer ministry opportunities that show care for our members and community.

**Apr. 20—Easter Offering—ReFrame Ministries:** Celebrating 86 Years of History, since 1939, our mission has been to proclaim that Jesus is Lord, help those who want to follow Jesus to know him better, and to strengthen the church. We are humbled that God is using us in such powerful ways to help people like you grow your faith and share the Gospel with others. Tens of thousands of people interact with our 67 different social media sites each month, we reach 502,511 people through video monthly, 233,000 devotional emails are sent daily, and 86 gospel-centered programs are broadcasted around the world.

**Printed copies of the Order of Worship are available**  
on the tables at the back of the sanctuary.

***Join us in the Fellowship Hall after the service for 'Tables of Grace' conversations. A time to share our joys and concerns, and care for each other in prayer. Use the main hallway as you exit the sanctuary.***

**Prayer for our Church:** Father God, thank You for Grace Church. Thank You for each member and visitor, each child and adult. Thank You for opportunities to serve You, and to serve each other. May we continue to be a strong witness of Your love. You have given us so much, and we want to give what we can back to You, in response and gratitude for Your great love. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

#### LENTEN SERMON SERIES

*"Having the Identity of a Servant"*



**April 6**

Ministry of Self-Giving

John 12:1-8

Ask yourself, *"How might I have the identity of Christ, the Servant King, this week?"*

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• **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, Jean Kok, Ann O'Connor, Ray Peterson Jr., Evelyn Van Dellen, Rich VandenBout, and Jeannette Veen.

**Plan now to join us April 13** for our next **Fellowship Potluck at 11:30am**. Sign up on the poster in the foyer to bring a main dish, side dish, salad or dessert to share. *We hope to see you there!*

**Stop by the Prayer Room** after the service. Pray with a prayer partner, or pray in silence. The Prayer Room is located on the southeast side of the foyer.

**Join us Maundy Thursday, April 17** for our **Communion Service at 5pm** in the Fellowship Hall, followed by a light **Soup Supper at 6**. Sign up on the poster in foyer if you plan to attend the Soup Supper. The Lenten Prayer Stations will also be available for you to walk through that evening 4-5pm and from 6:30-8:30pm.

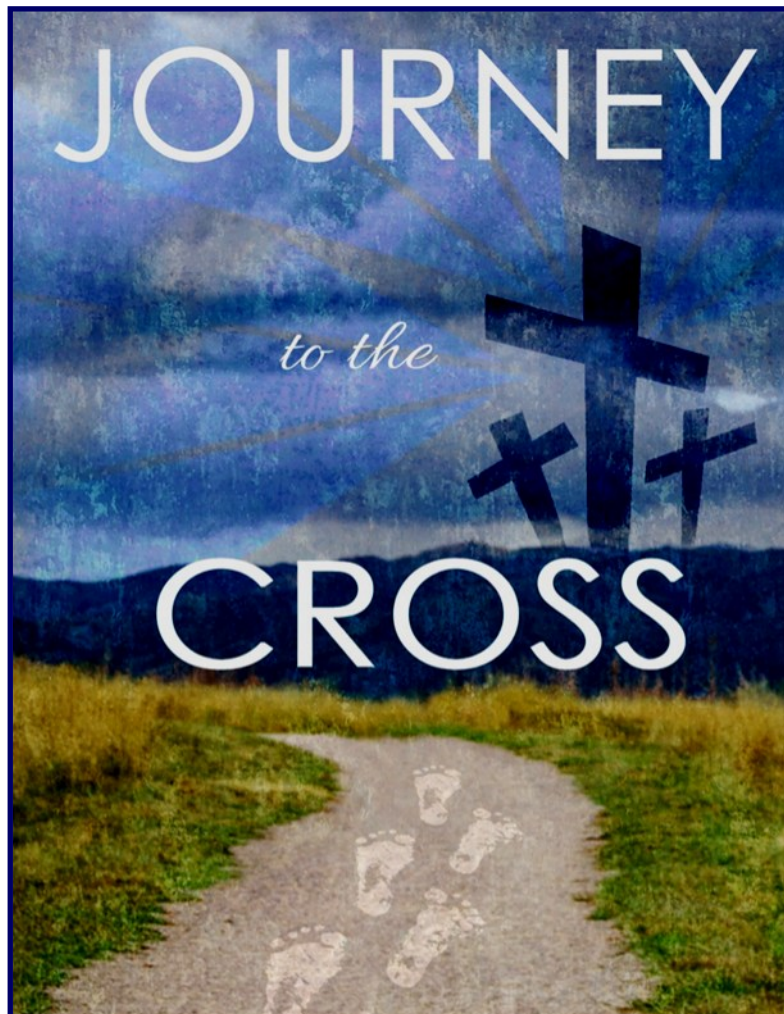
**Jei Wilson** is open to hearing input from the congregation on any themes or scripture passages you feel would be helpful to our church. Please talk to him following the worship service or leave a note in his church mailbox with any suggestions. *Thank you in advance!*

**Please pray for our Church Council**  
*as they meet this Tuesday, Apr. 8*  
*@6:30pm.*

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**FOR YOUR SAFETY,  
PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF OUR SEVERE  
WEATHER POLICY:**

**ALL SERVICES AND/OR EVENTS WILL BE  
CANCELLED ANY TIME THERE IS A  
TORNADO WATCH OR WARNING  
ONE (1) HOUR BEFORE THE START TIME OF  
A SCHEDULED SERVICE OR EVENT.**



### Prayer Stations

April 15: 11:15 am-1:00 pm

April 17: 4:00 – 5:00 pm and 6:30-8:00 pm

Maundy Thursday Communion service at 5:00 pm

Soup Supper at 6:00 pm

April 18: 9 am – noon