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The kids sang from their hearts on
Sunday, February 26.



Scouts from Grace Church were recognized
on February 12. Pictured: Eric Hart, Riker
Warwick, Owen Hubert, Luccas Hart, Nate
Warwick, Alexandra Franco, Lena Feil, Chris
Feil, Eli Hubert



Grace Church put together a trivia team on
February 11. They came in 2nd place and
won \$150 won for Bertha Bartlett library.
Pictured: Jonathan Cooney, Becky Coons,
Tim Denner, Catherine Cooney, Adam and
Valerie Hubert, Lucas and Shelley Hart

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Grace = God's Riches At Christ's Expense

March Birthdays

Lilyah Berry	3/2
Alex Flaspohler	3/5
Nate Warwick	3/5
Mark Hermanson	3/8
Judy Andrew	3/9
Joan Doolittle	3/9
Marvin Kokemiller	3/9
Krystle Ness	3/10
Raejean Bickelhaupt	3/18
Nicolas Hofsommer	3/18
Chase Blagg	3/19
Jacob Ness	3/20
Gay Coltrain	3/21
Christine Marti	3/26
Isabel Hoskins	3/27
Claudia Pauk	3/28

If we're missing a birthday please accept our apologies and let us know so we can update our records!



March Lectionary

March 5

Genesis 12:1-4a; Psalm 121;
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 3:1-17

March 12

Exodus 17:17; Psalm 95;
Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42

March 19

1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23;
Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

March 26

Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 130;
Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45

Deadline for submitting *Visitor* information is the 20th of each month. Information for the weekly bulletin and *This Week at Grace* is due in the office by noon on Wednesdays.

From Our Pastor

Beloveds,

As we enter the season of Lent and prepare ourselves for the celebration of Easter, we need to be mindful of the stops along the way. Lent begins with Ash Wednesday (*Mardi Gras*—or Fat Tuesday—the day before if you want to use you all the lard in your house) and includes the commemorations during Holy Week of the Last Supper (Maundy or Holy Thursday) and the crucifixion (Good Friday). The calendar is a gift of God. In God's time we hear the full story of salvation history consummated in the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It is a complete and wondrous tale. We should not be too quick to skip to the end.

As I think about it, I suppose this is one of the reasons many of us "give up something" for Lent. Not only are we remembering and sharing in Christ's suffering in our own small way but a Lenten discipline is a tool for getting us to slow down and ask ourselves—as the Jews do in the Passover seder—"Why is this time any different from every other?" Maybe we will discover something new for ourselves.

I encourage you to attend the Wednesday Lenten devotions at our church. They will serve as another way to remind us of the season through which we are passing. As we talk together about the kinds of things our church "used to do" for Lent, I am reminded of the early 1970s when the chapel community at our air force base (a SAC bomber base) shared in a "POW meal" consisting of simple broth and bread. At that time there was some fear that the crew of a recently downed plane may have been captured. As I recall, they were rescued, but the lunch nevertheless tied us together in faith and hope.

Your Servant for Christ's Sake,

Jonathan

Don't Stop Me If You've Heard This One Dept.

"The only things some folks give up for Lent are their New Year's resolutions."

Rev. Felix A. Lorenz, Jr., Northville, Michigan

*Lent is the time to plant
the seeds of faith for
what is yet to come.*



G.R.A.C.E Team "E"

Erma and Gene Schaefer—chair

Tony & Christine Semler-Blue, Connor Blue, Tanner Blue, Carroll & Judy Brekke, Adam & Lauren Crawford, Eric Dowe, Leah Frandson, Kristopher & Jessica Hensch, Adam & Valerie Hubert, Mindy Kardell, Alyssa Loots, Sharla Mander, Bill & Susan Mardock, Bill & Susan Mardock, Brian & Dee McNamara, Dave & Linda McVicker, Torran & Natalie Rasmussen, Nate & Malinda Warwick, Chase Blagg, Skylar Blagg

Condolences

Our sympathy goes out to the family of Harvey "Jim" Wirth. Jim passed away on February 6. His funeral was held at Grace on Monday, February 13.

Adult Studies Class

Due to busy schedules, spring break and other interruptions, the Adult Studies class is suspending class until Fall. If you have any questions please contact Rhonda Hampton. Members can either hold on to the study book, "Signs and Wonders" until Fall, or return it to Rhonda.

Disaster Giving

If you would like to give toward a disaster that has occurred, you may write a check to the church and make a note of where you would like the money to go. We would make sure it got to the correct place. You may also visit UMCOR Global Ministries and donate there. There are many worthy causes list on their web page that you can donate to if you feel so inclined.

<https://umcmmission.org/umcor/>

March Volunteers

Sunday, March 5

Liturgist: Kurt Carlson
Ushers: Nate and Malinda Warwick and Family

Sunday, March 12

Liturgist: George Janvrin
Ushers: Lauren and Adam Crawford and Family

Sunday, March 19

Liturgist: Claudia Pauk
Ushers: Brian and Dee McNamara

Sunday, March 26

Liturgist: Dave Doolittle
Ushers: Adam and Valarie Hubert and Family
Brunch: OJ 1 gallon: Mindy Kardell
1/2 gallon: Erma Schaeffer
Milk 1 gallon: Natalie Rasmussen
Clean up: Mindy Kardell & Judy Brekke

Funeral Volunteers

We are in need of volunteers to help run the elevator or usher during funerals. If you are able to help, please contact Cheryl Semler or the office.

Liturgists

Every Sunday we have a wonderful group of volunteers who serve as Liturgist at the start of the service. If you would be interested in helping as a liturgist please let the office know. We provide all the materials you need to read from—you don't have to figure it out on your own. We try to make it as painless as possible. Volunteers are what make the church as great of a place as it is. Additionally, if you would like to be removed from the liturgist mailing list, let the office know. Thank you!

Daylight Savings Time



*Sunday, March 12
Daylight Savings Time Begins
Set your clocks forward one hour*

Our Prayers

Sue Bohner; Donyel Caruth's friend Desiree; Sara Dappen; Amy Harlan—Father is ill; Eric Hart—Ankle surgery; Loretta Parker; Gene Schaefer—he had a stroke but is home; The Taylors; Dan and Marilyn Webster's granddaughter accepted to IU vet school; Boys basketball going to state; Story City is getting a Fairway

Our Gifts

Offering Feb 5—Feb 26:
\$13,154

Our Presence

Attendance Feb 5—Feb 26
Worship: 339 Total/84 Avg.
Sunday School (Feb 5—Feb 26):
108 Total/27 Avg.

Our Witness

We appreciate our February liturgists: Lauren Crawford, Owen Hubert, David Loupee, Dave Doolittle.

Our Service

Thank you to those who helped out with serving the luncheon during Jim Wirth's funeral. Your help is very much appreciated.

Thank you to everyone to took the time to help with year end reports. We really appreciate your willingness to volunteer your time to the church.

Lenten Devotions

On Wednesday evenings during the season of Lent, there will be a short (30 minute) devotional service at 6:30pm in the Chapel. Grace is partnering up with area Lutheran churches for these services. Pastor Jonathan will give a short devotional at Grace one of the 5 Wednesdays of lent. The other 4 Wednesdays the pastors from the Lutheran churches will come to give a short devotional at Grace. It will be a great time for reflection during the Lenten season and a great way to experience different pastor's messages.

*Some of the other churches are meeting at different times and are having meals. It would be great if our folk want to visit other congregations, but for the sake of space we are only sharing the schedule for Grace. Contact the office for further information. Our devotions begin at 6:30 p.m.; there is no meal. Please support our liturgists and our church!

Liturgists helping with the services are:

March 1: Terry Gustason
March 8: Claudia Pauk
March 15: Claudia Pauk
March 22: Cathy Hermanson
March 29: Gloria Sampson

The pastors sharing a short message at Grace are:

March 1 Rev. Joy Edeker from Bethesda Lutheran Church in Jewell
March 8 Rev. Tim Malek from St. Petri Lutheran Church in Story City
March 15 Rev. Jonathan Cooney from Grace United Methodist Church in Story City
March 22 Rev. Maureen Howard from Bethany Lutheran Church in Iowa Falls
March 29 Rev. Lisa Robison from St. Paul Lutheran Church in Wellsburg

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who signed the lovely birthday card to me. Praise God. I appreciate it more than I can express. My blessing to all. Thank you so very much.

Donna Lykins

LENT



Mission Brunch

Our February Sunday Brunch was enjoyed by a great group of people. Sharla Mander, Tori Fournier, Peyton Rickerl and Savannah Jensen and G.R.A.C.E. Team E members hosted this month. \$403.31 was raised for the Good Neighbor Fund and the We Care Fund! Please join us March 26th for our next mission brunch that will benefit Mobility Worldwide.

Quarter Drive

On Sundays when there is brunch after the service, the children will be collecting quarters during the service to raise money for the mission the brunch is supporting. Have your quarters ready on March 26th!

Prayers for Turkey and Syria

Dear Friends in Christ in the Iowa Conference,

The number of dead from the earthquake in Turkey and Syria on February 6, 2023 has already exceeded 20,000. That is not to mention the many injured, as well as the homes and infrastructure the quake destroyed. Let us hold all of the people of this region in prayer: prayers for those whose lives were lost and for their families—prayers for first responders and the medical workers trying to manage the crisis—prayers for those who continue to hope that more will be found alive.

We have no answers to why devastating tragedies like earthquakes happen. But we do have hope because God has promised to wipe away every tear from our eyes.

“Death will be no more,” says that well-known passage in Revelations. “There will be no mourning, crying, or pain anymore, for the former things have passed away,” Revelations 21:4.

As United Methodists, we hold onto the promises and comfort of Scripture, but we also put our hands to the plow to help. One way to do that is through the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). You can support relief efforts for this disaster and others by donating to the Advance #982450.

Blessings,

Bishop Kennetha J. Bigham-Tsai

Prayers for Michigan State

Last night I got a call from our 15-year-old son, Kamden, who is with my husband as he finishes his 9th-grade year at East Lansing High School. This summer, he and my husband, Kee, will join me here in Iowa. Kamden called to tell me that he had been evacuated from an after-school basketball game, because there was an active shooter near the Michigan State University campus. He is safe and at home, with schools in the area closed today to allow kids and teachers the space and time to process what has happened.

Monday evening, a man went to various locations on the campus and shot people. He later killed himself. Three students are now dead, and five are being treated for critical injuries at a local hospital. At the church where I was once pastor, University United Methodist Church, staff and Wesley Foundation students spent much of last night's horrific hours locked in the basement of the church. People called family members cried and prayed.

East Lansing is a small, close-knit community. There is only one middle school and one high school, and many of those middle and high school students will one day attend MSU. Many residents in the community have family members at the college. The community is reeling in shock and grief, like every community that has experienced this uniquely American tragedy. My fear is that we have become numb to such violence—that is, until it happens to us, in our neighborhoods, near our churches, near our children.

My prayer is that we don't, in our sense of powerlessness, become so numb that we cease to act. If we do, we risk becoming like the faithless leaders that Jeremiah describes. *“They have treated the wound of my people carelessly, saying, ‘Peace, peace,’ when there is no peace.”* Jeremiah 6:14.

There is no peace when we have already experienced [67 mass shootings](#), by one count, in the first six weeks of this year. The wounds of the people who have lost lives and loved ones and those who have been traumatized by mass shootings are dire. Let us act to end gun violence and let us pray for the many victims it continues to claim.

Please keep the United Methodists who are responding to this tragedy in prayer as they seek to find healing for the East Lansing Community.

Blessings, *Bishop Kennetha J. Bigham-Tsai*

Adventure of a Lifetime

Registration is now available online for the 2023 Iowa United Methodist Camps at Wesley Woods and Lake Okoboji.

Please check out:

www.iaumc.org/camps.

Remember, you need to give Gini Michel a copy of your registration in order to be reimbursed.

Grace pays:

- * Methodist Camp for church members / 100%
- * Another faith-based church camp / 75%
- * Non Methodist persons attending a Methodist Camp with church member / 50%
- * Non faith-based camp / 50%

Inclement Weather

When there is a weather related early out at Roland-Story schools, all church activities for that day will also be cancelled. As a general rule, worship services will NOT be cancelled in the case of inclement weather. But, if we feel it is best to cancel services, tune into KCCI TV, check your email or consult Facebook as we will post the information there by as early as 7:00 on the Sunday morning in question. You are urged to use your own good judgment as to if you are able to attend the service when the weather is nasty.

Open House

Pastor Wilmer Peter will turn 90 on March 17th, and has been pastoring 52 years in Story City. His church and family will be honoring him with an Open House, Sunday March 19th, 1:30 at Bible Faith Church, Fourth & Garfield, Story City. Your presence or a card would be greatly appreciated.

UWF News

On Wednesday, February 8, 2023, 17 members of Grace United Women in Faith met in the Fellowship Hall of Grace Church. Patsy opened with a verse from First John, Chapter 4, Verse 18 followed by prayer. Claudia led us in the singing of Go Tell It on The Mountain followed by the reading of the Purpose.

Mindy gave the Mission Moment beginning with a verse from Corinthians 10, verse 31. She talked of moments with God from a book When God Winks At You. She told of the love notes from her daughter and grandchildren at the most difficult time in her life. She talked of the joy of finding those notes. She shared the album she keeps those notes.

Patsy asked a trivia question – Did we know what country St. Valentine came from. Mindy knew the answer and I wish I had because the prize was CHOCOLATE!!! It was Italy!!

Sharla gave the Treasurer's report. We have a balance of \$659.44. A discussion/explanation of the Upper Room booklet was given.

The Secretary's report was read and approved. A written thank you for our Christmas gift to the Doolittle's was read and also Pastor Cooney thanked us for his gift.

Patsy showed the 2023 Program and Calendar books that are kept in the piano bench and available for use.

Pastor Jonathan gave us an update of the new Bishop installation to be held at the First Collegiate Methodist Church in Ames on February 19 at 3:00 PM.

Senior Citizen luncheon helpers in February will be Patsy and Priscilla and Tep in March.

Scandi Days will be a one day celebration Saturday, June 3rd in 2023 but our Sandwich Line, Pie, Ice Cream Social will be held on Friday, June 2nd. This is our major fund maker.

A discussion and information of people we should keep in our thoughts and prayers was given.

Marilyn first shared that Mobility Worldwide had provided 1,420 mobility vehicles in 22 shipments to eight countries. She then gave a wonderful program on the history of our local churches. Beginning with St. Petri who began in 1857, Grace in 1871, Bethel 1886, Immanuel 1898, God of Prophecy (Bible Faith) 1972, Harvest Evangelical Free 1991, and Latter Day Saints in 1999. Filled with many interesting facts and pictures this was a very informative program.

Lena then presented us all with a Valentine and "goodie" bag which was very much appreciated. Thank You!!

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, March 8, 1:30 Mission Moment will be the Call to Prayer & Self Denial – Gloria, Program: Jan and Hostess: Jerri

Submitted by Terry Gustason

Youth Update

Not much is happening in my area right now. Besides a possible trip to 7 oaks, I haven't got much for you. I say possible because it is supposed to warm up quite a bit, and I don't know if the tubing will be open.

Compass will not meet on Wednesdays now through the season of Lent. This is because of the Wednesday Lent services. You will not have to provide a meal if you are signed up to serve one through our sign-up genius. I would love for the kids to attend the Lenten services; I also want to encourage them to bring their families and show God that they want to grow in their faith and have another opportunity to worship the Lord with their families. I will attend both the meal and the service every week, so if they decide they want to go and your family might be busy, I would love to sit with them and join in fellowship! This is optional, so if you are busy, then there are no hard feelings from me.

As for Axis, they will still meet 6-7:30 this upcoming Sunday, February 26, and the 12th and 26th of March.

I have still seen around 15 kids at Compass and the same 3-5 guys at Axis. I am still trying to advertise for Axis, but it excites me to see the kids there, even if there are only a few; and I know that next year there are at least a few kids I know who will be coming who are 8th graders this year.

The transition from just working at the church to balancing school with the church was very smooth at first but is getting a little bumpy, with school seeming to pile on more and more work. I ask for your patience and even a prayer request for you to pray for patience from me and levelheadedness with this workload. I can still handle it, but some days can get stressful, and this week has also been hectic.

I want to finish with a short devo, God moment, and a little encouragement. Psalm 46:10 reads, "Be still, and know that I am God." I have been conditioning myself to take time every day to listen. No music, no reading the bible, and no other distractions. But opening with a quick prayer that opens my heart and mind to what he has to say. Listening can be hard if you don't know what you're leaning into. So, I get into my bible every day now as well. Even if only for a few minutes, getting to know his word is important to know his voice. But make this time separate from your time of listening and reflection. I started this routine at the beginning of my time here and was having trouble hearing, or I thought I was. But lately, I HAVE been hearing stuff. Not a big booming voice from the sky, not a burning bush, but little thoughts in my head.

Short words or phrases like "be patient," "relax," and "Steadfast." But last night, I was driving up to Riverside to visit my friend Conner and do some homework from a place where I could find peace and comfort. This time, as I was driving up, I heard something more than a short phrase or word, something that you couldn't read in a bible; in my head, I heard, "Joel turn on your brights" as I was going up Grand (the road that takes you from town out to camp). As I turned my brights on, three deer and a huge buck were sprinting across the road, and I barely had enough time to slam on my breaks. Had I not, I would have smoked the buck, my car would have been totaled, and I could have been injured. I tell you that to tell you this, and I already stated this once but read his word to know his voice. God moves mountains, it won't be immediate, and it could take millions of years for that mountain to move, but he moves it. I couldn't hear his voice right away, but I can hear it now. And it's not literally hearing his voice over the clouds, but he speaks in thoughts, dreams, pictures, etc. You have to lean on it, and you have to look for it, and you have to seek him. "You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart." (Jeremiah 29:13)

Thank you for your continuous support for me and this ministry,
Joel Chambers

Thank you!

Please share with your congregation members how much we appreciate their support for the Roland-Story High School choir trip to New York City. Your generous donations will help reduce the overall cost of the trip for each student. The choir students enjoyed being a part of your worship service and we are glad that you had the opportunity to hear the talent growing in our community. With sincere gratitude,

The RSHS Choir and the Music, Art, Speech & Theater (MAST) Board



Roland-Story High School choir members sang at our service on January 29 to raise funds for their spring break trip to New York.

Bergen Drive Thru Dinner

Drive on over to the
Bergen Family Feast
Saturday, March 4, 2023
11:00am—1:00pm

Drive Thru Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings
Bergen Lutheran Church
101 W. Maple St., Roland

Senior Citizens Luncheons

Thanks to the ladies of Grace U.M.W. we have volunteers for the February and March Senior Citizens Luncheons. If you would like to help on Wednesdays in April please call Kalen Peterson at 515-733-4917.
Thank You all for caring.

Lighthouse

THINK YOU MAY BE PREGNANT?



Lighthouse offers free & confidential pregnancy testing in Story City at Immanuel Lutheran Church, located just 20 minutes north of Ames. **Call 621-648-4198**

FREE & CONFIDENTIAL SERVICES:

- *Pregnancy Tests
- *Medical Referrals
- *Adoption Referrals
- *Parenting Classes
- *Encouragement
- *Post-rape Support
- *Infant Loss Support
- *Abortion Grief Support
- *Sexual Health Facts
- *Mentoring

MYRTLE'S CLOSET

Children's clothing NB - 3T; diapers, wipes, books, toys & quilts available free to families enrolled in Lighthouse Center's programs.

Myrtle's Closet is located in Immanuel Lutheran Church, 604 Lafayette Ave, Story City. Private parking in the alley on the north side of church - follow the **Lighthouse** signs into the building and head upstairs. Volunteers register & assist you with shopping. Myrtle's Closet Story City Facebook page for hours & to volunteer.

Cultivating Careers

AMOS (A Mid-Iowa Organizing Strategy) and partner organization, Project Iowa, have secured \$100,000 of ARPA funding for 30 Story County residents' workforce development. Project Iowa was founded in 2008, after years of community conversations and action planning, to bridge the gap between current employment and the gainful employment Iowans deserve. Project Iowa offers a four-week course, "Cultivating Careers" which focuses on interpersonal skills, resume development, career connections, and digital skills to strengthen participant's employment opportunities. The "Cultivating Careers" course can be taken in-person at the Des Moines campus, or virtually. In both settings, participants are guided by a one-on-one ally to support their learning and achievement. Some benefits of participating in "Cultivating Careers" include higher wage earnings, increased personal wellbeing, and job retention. The four week course begins anew each month and is free of charge; ensuring equal opportunity to participate. All ages 18 years+ are welcome from any background or future interest.

More than just workforce training, AMOS and Project Iowa seek to understand the current challenges Story County residents face in obtaining fulfilling, stable employment. For this reason, we invite interested parties to open dialogue with us about the barriers, gaps, and successes experienced. Two methods of such include gathering a small "house meeting" of collected members to discuss this question, or hosting a presentation detailing the opportunity above. To learn more, contact the Story County Workforce Strategy Team:

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Grace UMC Council

Unofficial Minutes February 26, 2023 meeting

Present: Gloria Sampson (Chair, Missions), Becky Barclay (Finance), Jim Hassebrock (Trustee), Pastor Jonathan, Claudia Pauk (Lay Leader), Cheryl Semler (Worship), Gini Michel (Education), Patsy Jensen (UWF), Krystal Ness (SPRC), Cathy Hermanson (rec. secretary)

Jonathan offered prayer and Gloria opened the meeting.

Cheryl/Patsy moved the January minutes be accepted. Motion carried.

Finance: Becky reported the church remains in good financial condition. Paying two months of apportionments in February.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Jonathan quickly reported the Confirmation class will visit at Greek Orthodox church on Sunday, March 26 – Gini Michel will be their guide. Will need pulpit supply that day.

Committee Reports: Ministry Areas

Worship: Cheryl reported volunteers are needed to serve as funeral ushers (trying to develop a list again) with primary duty to dismiss congregation at close of service and perform simple as needed duties.

Apr. 2 – Palm Sunday no first Sunday Communion as we will be observing Communion on **Maundy Thursday (Apr 6)**, **Apr 9 – EASTER**, **Apr 23** – Confirmation Sunday; **May 7** Music Sunday no first Sunday Communion – shifted to **Sunday, May 14, May 21** Baccalaureate. Worship Committee meeting time shifted to **5:30** on second Monday of each month.

Christian Education: Gini reported early childhood teacher, Beckey Witthuhn, has agreed to teach again next year. Emma and Mason Schnurstein will provide special music on Bacc Sunday – May 21. Losing two students as the Tesdall family is moving to FL.

Missions – Gloria reported \$296.50 was raised for the Middle School RS Food Pantry (including quarter tube) at January 22 Mission Sunday. Feb 4th - Grace served at Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry – 14 workers logging over 30 volunteer hours served 27 families/77 people. Next Grace-led turn at the Pantry on April 22nd. February Brunch raised \$403.31 (\$100 from quarter tube) for Caring Fund and Good Neighbor Fund.

UFW: Patsy reported 18 members/friends of Grace were sent Valentines. The group is providing helpers for the Sr. Citizen meals on Wednesday in Feb and March. The Prayer Shawl supply needs continual replenishing as the need for shawls is steady. Beginning preparations for Scandi Days – potato cake baking day.

Committee Reports: Administrative Area

SPRC: welcomed the 2 new representative, Chris Feil and Cathy Hermanson. Previewed “Another Set of Eyes” which will be worked on at our Apr. meeting.

Trustees: Jim reported dealing with water in church office, investigating source (bad tile) and developing a plan to repair. Lower level sump is working – no water! Hoping to receive a firm bid for lighting project this week. Kurt & Louis plan to visit another church to learn more about their sound/monitor system. Have been researching/working on church parking lot maintenance/repair possibilities.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Jonathan asked Gloria to sign our agreement with St. Petri and Bergen churches for our shared Youth Director. The middle school program (COMPASS) is going well – Grace as 6 active participants. AXIS – the senior high group is not as successful...yet. COMPASS will not meet on Wednesdays during Lent, but are encouraged to take part in Lenten services.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:46.

Council met with Ryan Christenson (Iowa Conf. representative) and Mike Filmore, pastor of Dennison area churches to discuss written CAT results and to begin developing a Ministry Action plan using the data from CAT.

Next meeting will be **MONDAY, March 27 at 6:30,**

Respectfully submitted, Cathy Hermanson, Rec Sec.



March 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 6:30 Lenten Devotional 7:10 Choir	2	3	4
5 9:15 Worship Communion 10:15 Fellowship 10:30 Sunday School	6	7 7:30 Claybusters	8 1:30 UWF 5:00 Children's Bells 6:30 Lenten Devotional 7:10 Choir 8:00 Bells	9	10	11
12 9:15 Worship 10:15 Fellowship 6:00 Axis Daylight Savings Time Begins	13 5:30 Worship Comm. Shannon out of office	14	15 6:30 Lenten Devotional	16	17	18
19 8:00 Trustees 9:15 Worship 10:15 Fellowship 10:30 Sunday School	20	21	22 6:30 Lenten Devotional 7:10 Choir 8:00 Bells	23	24	25
26 8:15 Missions 9:15 Worship Kids Bells 10:15 Brunch 10:30 Sunday School 6:00 Axis	27 5:45 Finance 6:30 Council	28	29 6:30 Lenten Devotional 7:10 Choir 8:00 Bells	30	31	