

# This Week at Grace

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This week at Grace Pastor Jonathan will use Mark 1:14-20 as inspiration for his message. Rod and Sue Bohner will usher. Kurt Carlson will serve as liturgist. Nate Warwick will be running tech. You can see and hear our worship services LIVE on our Facebook page @storycitygrace or through our website (which will link you to our Facebook page) – [grace-umc.com](http://grace-umc.com).



## Upcoming Events

### Sunday, January 21

- 8:00 A.M. Trustees
- 9:15 A.M. Worship
- 10:15 A.M. Fellowship—Cancelled
- 10:30 A.M. Sunday School

### Monday, January 22

- 5:45 P.M. Finance
- 6:30 P.M. Council

### Wednesday, January 24

- 5:00 P.M. Children's Bells
- 6:00 P.M. Compass
- 7:00 P.M. Chancel Choir

### Sunday, January 28

- 9:15 A.M. Worship
- 10:15 A.M. Mission Brunch
- 10:30 A.M. Sunday School

## Directory Updates

I have had several updates for the Church Directory. Thank you for sending those to me. I will print paper copies of the directory in the next couple of weeks to help make sure I get as many updates in there as possible. I will be attaching the updated directory in the same email as this TWAG.

## In Our Prayers

Dorothy Carbaugh; Donyel Caruth—sister Tawnya has cancer; Cathy Hermanson—Cancer; Mindy Kardel—joy for trip and Christmas with family in Europe, Grandson Miles is having eye surgery, sister-in-law Bobbi has cancer, friends Ken and Julie both have cancer; Kevin and Linda Larson—Daughter, Jamie, has cancer; Loretta Parker; Paula Sampson—Cancer; Gene and Erma Schaeffer—family member, Kurt, has cancer; The Taylors; Beckey Whitthun—Nephew's newborn twins health issues; Community of Perry

## Mission Brunch

Mission Brunch will be next Sunday, January 28. This month, money raised will go to the Roland-Story Food Pantry. The quarter tube will also be out during the service on Sunday, so bring your quarters.



## Church Update

### Excuse Our Mess

As you know, the weather was unusually cold early this week. Unfortunately for the church, as a result of the extreme temperatures, a pipe burst in the chapel. It was discovered Tuesday morning. Water soaked the chapel carpet and poured down through the ceiling and light fixtures into the youth rooms. The trustees acted quickly. Within 30 minutes of the leak being discovered, trustees were in the building, the heating guy was there to repair it and Mustang was there to begin assessing how to clean up the building. We are extremely grateful to everyone acting quickly to fix the problem. At this time, the pipe is fixed and the boiler is up and running again and clean up is underway. Please know that come Sunday everything won't be completely cleaned up. We had to completely empty the chapel and youth rooms and surrounding areas on that level. We are storing a lot of items in the fellowship hall. Depending on how cleanup goes leading up to Sunday, the fellowship hall may not be available for fellowship time after the service. We are confident that we can have Sunday school rooms accessible and cleaned out (if stuff was temporarily stored there) and we will have Sunday school on Sunday. Some classes might meet in an alternate location, however. It is our hope to have everything cleaned up as quickly as possible. In the meantime, please be patient with our mess. And please be patient if we need to ask your activity to meet in an alternate location within the church.

## Youth Update

Grace, Bergen Lutheran, and St. Petri Lutheran are forging ahead with their search for a leader for youth ministry. In the meantime, church members and pastors are stepping up to the plate. We are not holding separate meetings for the older youth, but encouraging them to attend Compass on Wednesdays at St. Petri from 6-7:30 and help out. We hope that on January 31 the youth and interested adults will meet at Loaves and Fishes to help sort and restock. As a part of this effort, church members are asked to make contributions. Loaves and Fishes is requesting wide egg noodles, Mandarin oranges, tomato soup, brownie mix, pancake mix and syrup, and Ramen noodles.

## Pizza and Sledding



### Join us for a family-focused fun time at Camp Wesley Woods!

Our team is thrilled to be able to prepare a variety of indoor and outdoor activities for you and your family to enjoy! Just bring your sled - we'll provide the rest.

Plan for an afternoon of FUN with your kids at camp! Spend your afternoon sledding on amazing hills, play Carpet Ball and other games in the Wesley Woods Activity Center, and warm up between outdoor sessions with some hot pizza and hot cocoa.

We care about creating space for kids and parents to connect and have a ton of fun together.

**Price:** \$5 per person (\$25/family max)  
Children age 3 and Under Free

[Click Here for to Register](#)



# Community Winter Gear Swap

*Brought to you by RScityserve!*

**COLLECTION DAY: Saturday, Nov 4, 8-NOON**  
Collection bins also available at SC rec center and various churches

**Accepted Outdoor Winter Donations:**  
Gently used, clean, any size (Infant-Adult)

\*gloves/mittens \*boots \*hats  
\*snow pants \*coats \*Roland-Story gear

*Donations are not required to take items!*

\*Open Dates for 2023-2024 Winter Season:  
NOV. 11, 18 - DEC. 2, 9, 16 - JAN. 13, 20, 27  
**\*10-Noon on Saturdays, 403 Broad St. in Story City.**




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## *Loaves and Fishes Needs*

Wide Egg Noodles  
Mandarin Oranges  
Tomato Soup  
Brownie Mix  
Pancake Mix  
Pancake Syrup  
Ramen Noodles

YOU ARE WELCOME TO DROP OFF  
DONATIONS AT THE GREATER CHAMBER,  
BERTHA BARTLETT LIBRARY,  
OR A LOCAL CHURCH

Thank you for your support!



### Story City Community Center

503 Elm Avenue

**Lunch reservations required by 2:30 p.m. Monday each week**  
Call Cheryl 515-290-9774

**Wednesday Lunch 11:30 a.m.**  
Catered meals are \$6 each (cash)  
Coffee and water are provided, take-out available.

<b>January 3, 2024</b>	<b>Pizza Ranch</b>	Chicken, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn
<b>January 10, 2024</b>	<b>Bethany Life</b>	Hot Beef Sandwich, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Cauliflower, Coffee Cream Dessert
<b>January 17, 2024</b>	<b>Jewell Market Deli</b>	Lasagna, Garlic Bread
<b>January 24, 2024</b>	<b>Simply Mae's</b>	Chili, Cinnamon Roll
<b>January 31, 2024</b>	<b>Alley's Pizza</b>	

**Wednesday** each week approximately 12:15 p.m. – BINGO  
**Second Tuesday** each month 1:30 p.m. - SCSC, Inc. Board Meeting  
**Thursday & Friday** 1:00 p.m. – Card Players – all are welcome!  
Volunteer lunch server opportunities available



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HEROD,  
RIGHT?



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RULER OF  
GALILEE.



AND JESUS  
HEADS INTO  
GALILEE LIKE  
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YUP,  
PRETTY  
MUCH.



IS HE  
LOOKING  
FOR  
TROUBLE?



YOU MIGHT  
SAY, HE'S  
FISHING  
FOR IT.



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MARK 1:14-20

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