

Grace United Church of Christ

Sunday, March 8, 2020
Second Sunday in Lent
11:00 a.m.

Call to Worship
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Bold Blessing

*Welcome! It is a pleasure to have you with us this morning.
This morning we will use the New Century Hymnal (NCH) .*

We Gather

Prelude

Welcome *Please sign the red Friendship Book in your pew.
Call of the Engelbrecht Memorial Bell*

Choir Introit

*Call to Worship (based on Psalm 121)

L: I lift up my eyes to the hills-- from where will my help come?

P: My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

L: God will not let your foot be moved; God who keeps you will not slumber.

P: God who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

L: The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade at your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

P: The LORD will keep you from all evil and will keep your life.

All: The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore. Come let us Worship the LORD!

*Opening Song "God of Grace and God of Glory" NCH # 436

*Prayer of Confession

Lord, have mercy	Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy	Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy	Lord, have mercy

*Assurance of Pardon

L: God loves us and forgives us. God gives us the chance to begin again.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen!

*Sung Response: **Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name;**

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

We Listen

Scripture Readings

Genesis 12:1-4a

Rob Apgar

Choral Anthem

*Gospel

John 3:1-17

Rev. Rob Apgar-Taylor

Children's Message

Carol Garrison

Following the Children's Message, Kindergarten through 5th graders are invited to the fellowship hall for Children's Church; a time of Bible lessons, crafts, songs and fun activities. For children 5 years and younger, our Nursery is available during the worship service.

Sermon

"You want me to WHAT????"

Rev. Rob Apgar-Taylor

Pastoral Prayer

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

We Respond

Prayers of the People

Call for Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Offertory Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

We are Sent

Announcements

*Closing Prayer

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn

"Be Now my Vision"

NCH # 451

*Dismissal

*Choral Benediction

Ringing of the Engelbrecht Memorial Bell

*Postlude

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The yellow rose on the altar is presented by the Altar Guild in memory of deceased war veterans and in honor of those who have served our country, as well as those currently on active duty.

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## WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!

We are delighted that you joined us for worship this morning. Please be sure to sign the red Friendship Book in your pew. If you have any difficulty hearing the service, one of our ushers can provide you with a hearing assistance device. We also have large print bulletins and hymnals available.

Children in Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us for Children's Church - a time of Bible lessons, crafts, songs and other fun activities. We leave the Sanctuary following the Children's Message. For children 5 years and younger, our Nursery is available during the worship service. Following the worship service, please join us for fellowship.

***Welcome to Grace Church!***

## Sanctuary Audio/Video Project Update

We continue our work towards completing our AV system installation the goal of being able to provide in-service projection on the wall, and live streaming to the internet. At the moment **ONLY** the sermon and the anthems are being posted on the internet. Any change in this will be clearly communicated. **Please consider joining the Grace AV**



**Team!** We need both system operators and individuals to discuss privacy and policy, and to help brainstorm ideas to grow our digital footprint!

If you are interested please speak with Mark Edwards or mail [mse103@mac.com](mailto:mse103@mac.com)



**DID YOU KNOW... *Grace UCC has a YouTube channel!***

**Watch our Sermons and Choir on  
YouTube @ GraceLiveFrederick**



Videos are normally posted weekly and ready to  
by Sunday Evening.

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View our sermons and choir anthems on YouTube.  
Just search on Youtube or on Google for GraceLiveFrederick.

**Please take time to subscribe! *Join the GraceLiveFrederick Team!***

# GRACE UCC WEEKLY CALENDAR



**Sunday, March 8: DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME**

**Second Sunday in Lent**

**Bold Blessing**

**9:45 AM Christian Educ.**

**11:00 AM Worship**

## **INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY**

**March 8-14: NOLA Mission Trip**

**Monday, March 9**

**6:30 PM TFC Young Adults**

**7:00 PM Finance & Property Meeting**

**Tuesday, March 10**

**6:30 PM MKP**

**Wednesday, March 11**

**6:30 PM TFC Youth Group**

**Thursday, March 12**

**6:00 PM TFC Youth Cmte Mtg**

**7:00 PM MKP2 Mtg**

**7:30 PM TFC Board Mtg**

**Friday, March 13**

**Saturday, March 14**

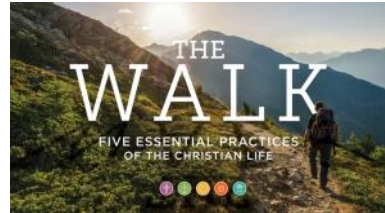
**Sunday, March 15**

**Third Sunday in Lent**

**Thirsty Voices**

**9:45 AM Christian Educ.**

**11:00 AM Worship**



**The Walk by Adam Hamilton**

***Lenten Bible Study***

**Tuesdays during Lent at 7PM**

**Starting Tuesday, March 17!**

Join us as we walk the Lenten Journey looking at important spiritual practices of the Christian life. There is no cost, but to reserve your spot, please email pastor Rob at [pastorrob@grucc.com](mailto:pastorrob@grucc.com) so we have enough books for everyone. Join us!

*(Please note: March 3rd was cancelled due to flu & March 10th there will be no Bible Study due to the Mission trip)*

# Grace UCC Winter Mission Emergency Cleanup Bucket and Supply Drive



You can provide assistance to families and communities affected by flooding, tornados and other disasters.

**Grace Church is still collecting supplies for Church World Service's Emergency Clean Up Bucket kits. Each bucket needs the supplies listed below. Those interested can donate buckets, supplies, or any combination of the two. There is a bin in the back of the Good Shepherd Room where supplies may be dropped off.**

- One five-gallon bucket with resealable lid (If bucket has been used, clean well but do not use if it has held chemicals of any kind.)
- Four scouring pads
- Seven sponges, including one large
- One scrub brush
- Eighteen reusable, lightweight dry cleaning towels (e.g. Handi wipes)
- One 50 oz. or two 25 oz. bottle(s) of liquid laundry detergent
- One 16-28 oz. bottle of liquid disinfectant dish soap
- One 12-16 oz. bottle of household cleaner that can be mixed with water (no spray bottles)
- One package of 48-50 clothespins
- Clothesline, two 50 ft. or one 100 ft.
- Five dust masks
- Two pairs heavy-duty, waterproof dishwashing gloves (latex-free, non-surgical)
- One pair work gloves, cotton with leather palm or all leather
- 24-28 heavy duty or contractor type 30-45 gallon trash bags on a roll and removed from carton
- One 6-9 oz. bottle of non-aerosol insect repellent





## Daily Bible Reading

Sunday, March 8, 2020: Second Sunday in Lent  
Genesis 12:1-4a ; Psalm 121; Romans 4:1-5, 13-17;  
John 3:1-17 or Matthew 17:1-9

Monday, March 9, 2020:  
Psalm 128; Numbers 21:4-9; Hebrews 3:1-6

Tuesday, March 10, 2020:  
Psalm 128; Isaiah 65:17-25; Romans 4:6-13

Wednesday, March 11, 2020:  
Psalm 128; Ezekiel 36:22-32; John 7:53-8:11

Thursday, March 12, 2020:  
Psalm 95; Exodus 16:1-8; Colossians 1:15-23

Friday, March 13, 2020:  
Psalm 95; Exodus 16:9-21; Ephesians 2:11-22

Saturday, March 14, 2020:  
Psalm 95; Exodus 16:27-35; John 4:1-6

Sunday, March 15, 2020: Third Sunday in Lent  
Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42





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## CARING & SHARING PRAYER LIST

The following are members and friends of our church family who are currently ill, hospitalized, or home-bound. ***Please keep them in your prayers and perhaps send a note or a card.*** If you know of anyone who should be added to this list, please contact the church office at [admin@grucc.com](mailto:admin@grucc.com)

|                  |                                                                              |
|------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Millie Davis     | 801 Pine Ave., Frederick, MD 21701                                           |
| Joe Free         | Citizens Nursing & Rehab Center                                              |
| Miriam Himes     | Edenton, Orchard Terrace, 5905 Edenton Court, Room #705, Frederick, MD 21702 |
| Charlotte Hoover | 7404 Willow Road, Nursing at Meadows, Frederick, MD 21702                    |
| Pam Kehne        | 1632 Wall Dr., Pasadena, MD 21122                                            |
| Betty Linton     | Sunrise Senior Living 990 Waterford Dr., Unit 206, Frederick, MD 21702       |

*Please note that hospitals are no longer permitted to contact churches on behalf of their patients. If you know of a church member who is hospitalized, please inform the church office. If you or a family member is hospitalized in an emergency situation, please call Pastor Rob at 240-217-2767.*

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## 2020 Church Council Officers and Commission Chairs

### COUNCIL OFFICERS

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Grace United  
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The Frederick  
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*Building  
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SUNDAY, APRIL 19

# Drag BINGO

CASH BINGO • 50/50 RAFFLES • TIP JAR • DOOR PRIZES

*Performances by*  
Nicole James & Stephanie Micheals



Round 1 begins 1:00 pm  
Round 2 begins 6:00 pm

\$25 online or \$45 at the door

The Orioles Nest 331  
1037 W. Patrick St.

Lunch provided. Ages 21+.  
Doors open 12:30pm.

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Ladies and Gentlemen  
don't put your Easter  
bonnet away just yet!!

Prize for the best Easter  
bonnet so get creative!

## New York City Bus Trip Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>

Depart Frederick 6:00 am  
Park and Ride Rt 144, exit 56 off I-70  
Return from Manhattan Leaving 8:00 pm



**Cost: \$48/per person**/Make checks payable to Grace UCC

Who? Everybody! Grace Church, Family and Friends!

This is a 49 passenger bus, seats are limited.

RSVP ASAP to [tonyhemler0@gmail.com](mailto:tonyhemler0@gmail.com).

Questions? Contact Tony Hemler 443-536-6829 or Missy Moxley 301-305-9561



THE RELIGIOUS COALITION'S *EMERGENCY FAMILY SHELTER*  
 Grace UCC will be hosting the Emergency Family Shelter on  
**March 28 through April 4th**  
 (another church cancelled and we are filling in for them)

The RCEHN/EFS folks will provide evening volunteers. However, we will need volunteers for set-up and break-down. Contact Carol Garrison or Trevor Addie with questions or to volunteer.

Food Drive



**FCAA - FOOD BANK—"GRACE GROCERIES"**

On the third Sunday of every month, we dedicate the **"Grace Groceries"** that have been collected in our little red wagon (in the narthex) then delivered to the Frederick Foodbank.

*Thank you for your continued generosity!*

**NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS NEEDED, FOR EXAMPLE:**

PEANUT BUTTER ~ PASTA ~ RICE ~ SPAGHETTI ~ TOMATO SAUCE  
 CEREAL ~ CANNED FISH ~ CANNED MEATS



**SERVE AT FREDERICK COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY'S (FCAA)  
 SOUP KITCHEN – SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2020 AT 4:45 PM**

**Grace Church volunteers serve at the Soup Kitchen** on the 3rd Sunday of even months. It's a rewarding mission experience and we always have fun.

Won't you join us? 14 East All Saints Street, Frederick, MD 21701. Or, contact Jerry Princler at [jerryprin@comcast.et](mailto:jerryprin@comcast.et) or Trevor Addie at [trevor.grucc@gmail.com](mailto:trevor.grucc@gmail.com) for more information.

**January 2020 Treasurer's Report**

|                | January 2020 | Year-to-Date |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Income:        | \$           | \$           |
| Less Expenses: | (\$          | (\$          |
| Net:           |              |              |





## *Grace United Church of Christ*

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### SUNDAY WORSHIP – 11:00 AM

Holy Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of every month.

### WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

#### **Sunday, March 8, 2020**

Scripture Reader: Rob Apgar  
Children's Message: Carol Garrison  
Children's Church: TBD  
Altar Guild: Karen Kehoe

#### **Sunday, March 15, 2020**

Scripture Reader: Michael Davies  
Children's Message: Trish Abell  
Children's Church: TBD  
Altar Guild: Joan Princler

*If you would like to serve as a greeter, or host fellowship time after worship,  
please add your name to the sign up sheet in the Good Shepherd Room.*

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OF CHRIST**

