

# Bulletin Board

February 11, 2024

**WELCOME!** We praise God for giving us the ability to worship in fellowship today! Please remember that if you wish to social distance there is room, if you want or need to wear a mask we will support you. Please sign the registration books that are in the pews, please pass them to the next person. If you are worshipping from home and watching on Facebook please leave a comment (even if it is just Hi), it would be appreciated.

**AED DEFIBRILLATOR** In case you are wondering what the white box on the wall in the office corridor, it is our AED Defibrillator. This is located right outside the sanctuary by the bookcase.

**BRINGING HOLY COMMUNION TO YOU** If you would prefer to have Holy Communion brought to you in the pew on the weeks it is served – **please** let the elder/ushers know prior to the service. We would not want to miss you!

**SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP TIME** Join us in the Hillmer Center this week at 10:15 a.m. The adult class is continuing with the study of Angels following the fellowship time. The Sunday School class will meet in the Library at 10:30 for opening and then go to their classroom.

**CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** Have you picked up your contribution statement yet? Please ask if you need help in finding them, they are in the hallway outside of the office Also you can pick up your giving envelopes and directory at the same time. Thanks for your help.

**INVITATION FROM OUR REDEEMER CHURCH** The annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper is Tuesday February 13 from 4:30-7 pm. All you can eat pancakes plus sausage, applesauce, coffee and milk. All of this for \$7 for 5 yr olds to adult, under 5 is free. The address is 9<sup>th</sup> and Bluff St. Cedar Falls.

**LENTEN SERVICE SCHEDULE** This week is Ash Wednesday on February 14, we will have service at 11 am and 6:30 pm w/Holy Communion. There is a light supper at 5:30 pm every week of Lent. This week the youth are serving the meal, the menu is spaghetti, garlic bread, salad with dressings, desserts and drinks. Please join us for this evening of food and fellowship.

**FLOWER CHART** is now posted in the Narthex if you are wanting to bring fresh flowers to the sanctuary. Please let me know if this is to celebrate a special occasion, remember someone, or if you just want it to God's Glory. The cost is \$37.

**GRACE GREETINGS DEADLINE** It's time to get articles ready for the March edition of the Grace Greetings! For anyone wanting to submit an article or an announcement to be included in the next Grace Greetings, please make sure to have it to the office by February 15. You can submit your articles by email to [officeadmin@gracewaterloo.org](mailto:officeadmin@gracewaterloo.org) or leave a hard copy in the office.

**WATERLOO ZONE LWML PRAYER SERVICE** and Spring Gathering will be held Saturday February 17 at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, 904 Bluff Street, Cedar Falls, Iowa. Coffee and light brunch at 8:30 AM with Prayer Service at 9 AM. A brief business meeting and Servant Project to follow the service. Hosted by Our Redeemer and Peace Lutheran.

**A LIFE QUOTE** "We live dripping with the promise of Baptism. We live fueled by the fire of God's Word. We live created on the sixth day and recreated by God's grace to be followers of Jesus seven days of the week until that great eighth day, called eternity, when we will sing praise in His presence forever. We live and we love and we are loved in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, sin forgiven, shame erased, status: all very good." Rev. Dr. John Nunes, guest speaker on "The Lutheran Hour" – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org) Word of Hope can help. [word-of-hope.org](http://word-of-hope.org); 888.217.8679.



**BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES: Did You:** Did you know there's a national day to celebrate one of the fruits of the Spirit found in Galatians 5? Though not an event on the Christian calendar, this coming Saturday (February 17<sup>th</sup>) is National Random Acts of Kindness Day. On that day (or any day this week) how might you give witness to the faith that lives in you by doing something "unusually kind," in Jesus' name? Shovel your neighbor's snow, pay for the order of the car behind you in the drive through, send flowers with a love note to someone who lives alone, stop to visit someone living in a care center...be creative, be kind, involve your family members, and have fun! **Lutheran Family Service** [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org) (515.573.3138 and LFSiowa.org)

**MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE** - This week the verse is:

**Ephesians 4:32**

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

**CATECHESIS** – This week for those using the Catechism Study Guide you should be on the following page number according to what year you are doing.

Year 1 is page 19;

Year 2 is page 78;

Year 3 is page 137;

# GRACE FOOD PANTRY



Anyone wishing to donate to the Grace Food Pantry, these are the top items needed:

**Pancake mix, syrup, cold cereal, soups, hamburger / tuna helper, 32 oz juices, spaghetti sauce, crackers, soda crackers, rice, pastas, canned chicken, peanut butter, canned fruit, tooth paste, toilet paper, kleenex, shampoo/conditioner, body wash, dish soap, cleaning liquids, laundry soap, razors, deodorant and lotions.**

We can always use money too. The committee would like to thank all those who have given generously to the Grace Food Pantry!

Anyone needing assistance with the Grace Food Pantry please contact the church office. Anyone interested in helping with the food pantry please contact the office..



## VALLEY LUTHERAN UPDATE

Valley Lutheran would like to thank all those that were able to come out last week to one of the Forums we had, "More than a School-Overflowing". Your input is very valuable to us!

*Valley Lutheran's Team CrossFire: Team CrossFire has its league tournament on Saturday, February 17th. The event will be all day at Peet Junior High. Teams from Cedar Falls, Waterloo, Independence, Dike, Starmont, Waverly, and Decorah will compete, hoping to advance to the Iowa Championship. See our robot in action! The public is welcome anytime and it is free of charge. Robots are competing starting around 11:00 am and through approximately 5:00 pm. Awards are at the end of the day.*

### Scrap Metal Drive

The Valley Lutheran Seniors and Push Iron & Metals will be hosting a Scrap Metal Drive on March 23rd from 9:00 am- 2:00 pm. Please bring in your scrap metal to help out your Valley Seniors. More details will be sent as the date comes closer. We appreciate any form of help that our Valley Community gives us. Senior Class of 2024

**ONLINE GIVING** We now have the option of online giving available on our website:

[www.gracewaterloo.org](http://www.gracewaterloo.org)

You will enter a secure site and can setup weekly or one time gifts to your regular giving or to special funds like the building repair fund. Giving can be setup with either a credit card or your bank account. You can create an account that will remember your information for future use. This is a very secure site so you can setup giving with confidence that your information will be safe.

You can also setup giving using an app on a cell phone. Just search for Vanco in your App Store. Using this you will need to create an account with your information to allow the app to communicate with Vanco.

**A REMINDER:** Members wishing to contribute to the recent loan for roofing and air conditioning may do so by marking the memo line on your check for the Properties Repair Loan and leaving your donation in the offering plate or office. All donations to the cause will be directly applied to the loan. Thank you for your generous heart.

**"This saying was hidden from them, and they did not grasp what was said."** Even our understanding of the Word of God is a gift — the disciples can't understand Jesus because it is not given to them to understand Him. By nature, they are deaf to the Word. So, everything we have is a gift of God. To realize this is the beginning of thankfulness, generosity and kindness.

### The Schedule this Week:

The following events have been planned for this week.

<b>TODAY:</b>	
9:00 a.m.	Worship w/Holy Comm. Sanctuary
10:15 a.m.	Fellowship Hillmer Center
10:30 a.m.	Bible Class/Sunday School Hillmer Center/Library
<b>MONDAY:</b>	
6:00 p.m.	Exercise Library
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	
8:30 a.m.	Ash Wednesday Sewing Circle Rm 17
11:00 a.m.	Worship Sanctuary
5:15 p.m.	Chancel Choir Music Room
5:30 p.m.	Supper Hillmer Center
6:30 p.m.	Worship Sanctuary
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	
9:30 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study Hillmer Center
6:00 p.m.	Exercise Library
<b>SATURDAY:</b>	
7:00 p.m.	Youth to Escapology In Cedar Falls
<b>NEXT SUNDAY:</b>	
9:00 a.m.	Worship Sanctuary
10:15 a.m.	Fellowship Hillmer Center
10:30 a.m.	Bible Class/Sunday School Hillmer Center/Library

### Youth News

We are going to Escapology on Saturday February 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. Please check the Grace Greetings for details.