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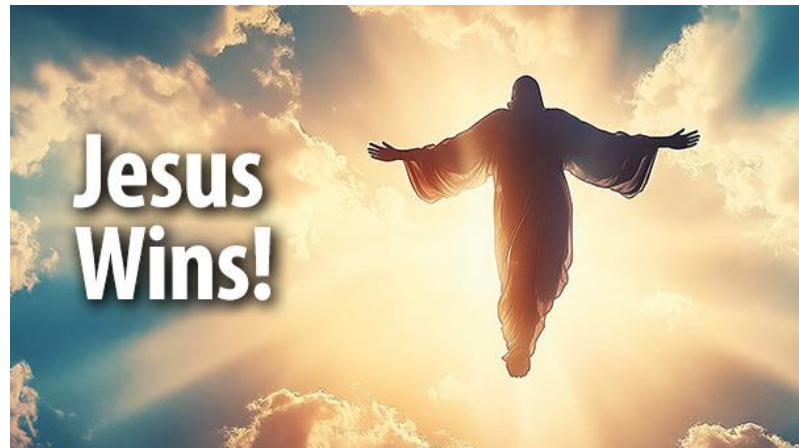
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Dose of Grace #36 "Jesus Wins Souls!"

2 Corinthians 4:7-10 (EHV)

7We hold this treasure in clay jars to show that its extraordinary power is from God and not from us. **8**We are hard pressed on every side, yet not crushed; perplexed, yet not despairing; **9**persecuted, yet not forsaken; struck down, yet not destroyed.

10We always carry around in our body the death of the Lord Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body.



"Pastor why did God take my daughter?" "Pastor why didn't God heal my baby?" "Pastor, why can't we have any children?" "Pastor why does it feel like we don't matter?" "Pastor why does God let evil people attack his family?"

The congregation of believers in Corinth looked at the apostle Paul's life situation and started to walk away from the good news he told them about forgiveness of sins through Jesus Christ. They were making judgments about Jesus Christ based on what they saw with their eyes, reasoned with their minds and felt with their hearts. They thought Paul was a loser and his message was for losers.

Let me try and paraphrase their argument: "If God handpicked the apostle Paul for a great mission, personally appearing to him and personally sending him from country to country, then why is he all scarred up?"

The Corinthia congregation was keeping score. Chased out of every town he visits? -1
Arrested, jailed then whipped? -2 Mobbed by protesters and stoned to death...so they
thought? -3 Shipwrecked, nearly drowned to death, only to wash up on shore and then be
bitten by a venomous snake and nearly die from the poisoning? -4 Let's see that's -10!

The Corinthians were tracking the wrong stats! The Corinthians were not keeping track of the
eternal score! With each location he went to he preached Christ crucified for the forgiveness of
sins of every sinner. And in each location, sinners were saved from guilt and shame, death and
hell. Even though he only spent a few weeks in Thessalonica, we will meet in eternal life a man
named Jason who opened his home for the gospel message and was persecuted for it. Even
though Paul only spent a night in jail in Phillipi we will meet the jailor who whipped him and
Lord willing, his whole household who was baptized that very same night. Paul wrote 4 letters
from prison that probably contain some of your favorite words of God! (Ephesians, Philippians,
Colossians)

Another way to say it is "We live by faith not by sight." Souls for all eternity are what we
track. Souls hearing the good news of forgiveness of sins through Jesus Christ is what we
score. Through your life situations, the good ones and the bad ones, how many souls ended
up hearing the good news of God's love for sinners? How many opportunities did your life
experiences generate for you to share the truth of God's Word?

A man was arrested this past week for breaking and entering our school building. He will
probably see significant jail time. I hope and pray that he meets his Savior there, repents of his
sins and trusts in Jesus Christ, his Lord and Savior. Let's keep score not by sight but by faith!

Remember Jesus Christ is reigning and ruling for His Church. Keep score of how many people
are hearing the good news of what Jesus Christ has done! Use every opportunity to win
another soul as a friend for eternity!

Sunday, February 1, 2026 – Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

Flowers: Williams
Comm. Prep: Luplow
Comm. Help: Henning
Jo
Ushers: Stadler
Paschke
Curry
Meyer



8:10 AM Bible Study – Famous Chapters
9:30 AM Worship Service with Holy Communion
11:00AM Bible Study 101 and Sunday School

Monday February 9, 2026 --- Giving Week through Feb. 13
Tuesday February 10, 2026
Wednesday February 11, 2026 -- Chapel
-- Girls of Grace
Thursday February 12, 2026 -- Women's Fellowship – 5:30PM
Friday February 13, 2026 -- Early Release – 11:45AM
-- Staff Meeting
Saturday February 14, 2026

Sunday February 15, 2026 -- **Transfiguration of Our Lord**
Flowers: Werner
Ushers: Stadler
Paschke
Curry
Meyer

8:10 AM Bible Study 201 -- Famous Chapters
9:30 AM Worship Service
11:00 AM Sunday School
Semi-Annual Voter's Meeting

PRAYERS

Prayer Cards

If you are looking for the prayer cards, they are on the table when you come into the Narthex.

Christian Growth

Sunday School Lesson Plan

February 8th - Winter #2 - Gen 43-44 - Josephs Kindness To His brothers

February 15th - Winter #3 - Gen 44-45 - Joseph Forgives His brothers

February 22nd - Winter #10 – Luke 2:41-52 - The 12 Year Old Jesus

March 1st - Winter #11 – Luke 3 – Jesus’ Baptism

March 8th - Winter #12 – Luke 4 – Jesus’ Temptation

March 15th - Winter #13 – John 2 - Jesus Turns Water into Wine

Adult Bible Study

I encourage everyone to participate in bible studies and bible discussions at Grace. Come and listen to grow in your knowledge and wisdom of God’s Word with us. Come and share your experiences as a Christian to be a blessing to your fellow Christian families at Grace. We have two opportunities currently for you to talk with the pastor and your fellow Christians every Sunday:

A. 8:15-9:15 before worship: Famous Chapters (202)

February 1st – 2 Thessalonians 2 – The Antichrist

February 8th - Hebrews 11 - Heroes of Faith

February 15nd - Revelation 7 - The Church Militant / Triumphant

February 22nd - Revelation 21 - Our New Home

B. 10:50-11:45 after worship: Basic Christianity Class (101)

February 1st – Honoring God – 1st-2nd Commandments

February 8th - Worshipping God - 3rd Commandment

February 15th - Honoring My Neighbors - 4th & 5th Commandments

February 22nd - Honoring the Gift of Marriage/ Family - 6th Commandment

March 1st - Honoring God's Gifts to Others - 7th & 8th Commandments

March 8th - Source of Evil - 9th & 10th Commandments

March 15th - Grow in Grace - Membership @ Grace

Famous Chapters

(New Testament)

Chapters

- Matthew 5
- Matthew 18
- Acts 1
- Acts 2
- Romans 13
- 2 Thessalonians 2

Theme?

- Sermon on the Mount
- Church Discipline
- Ascension
- Pentecost
- Government
- Antichrist

A thorough
knowledge of the
Bible is worth
more than a
college education.
Theodore Roosevelt

Sundays
Oct-Nov
8:10 AM

New Member Class (Christianity 101)

Sundays 10:45-11:45 (Sept 7th)

Free Bible, Coffee & Donuts!

**Grow in the grace and
knowledge of our Lord
and Savior Jesus Christ.**

2 Peter 3:18 (EHV)



What's Happening @ Grace



Mowing & Church Grounds

Please consider signing up and helping with lawn care to make the Lord's house grounds look the best possible.

Contact Juan Garcia to coordinate and for instructions.

Church Weekly Cleaning!

The church building needs to be cleaned each week and we could use your help! THANK YOU to those who have been so faithful in cleaning the Lord's house and making it ready for worship! You are doing a wonderful job!

Contact Susan Garcia to coordinate and for instructions.



Altar Flowers

Please let me be your guide for all things



FLOWER CHART

Found in the fellowship hall, signing up for flowers not only decorates our altar, but also allows your fellow members to participate in the special occasions you are remembering. Potted tulips, mums, etc. can be used as well as cut flowers. Call, email, or catch me before Sunday school for a personal tour of the vases we make available in the church kitchen. If you would prefer, I would gladly arrange the flowers you bring. Or select your budget and flower preferences and let me do the shopping and arranging. Thank you for your participation! Susan Lewallen. 503-758-2685. susan@studiomcl.com

Usher Sign-Ups

Please consider signing up to be an Usher. Sign up sheets are located by the fellowship hall and entryway door. Currently we have availability through the rest of the year. If you have any questions please contact one of the Elders.



Fellowship Hosting Sign Up

Please sign up to bring goodies in for fellowship. The sign up sheet is in the Narthex.

Choir Practice

Enjoy singing? Come join the Grace Lutheran Church choir! We would love to have voices of all ranges join. We practice at 8:30AM in the balcony.

Contact Information Needed

We are updating contact information to send donation statements. They will be sent out by the end of January. We need email addresses for new attendees or anyone whose email has changed. Please put it on one of the contact cards or on your envelope or give the information to Steven or Penny Hung. If you need a papery copy or have any other questions please let us know as well.

penny.hung1@gmail. com or 971-272-1968

Lutheran Bible Camp

June 28-July 3. Mark your calendars today as you make your summer plans. Lutheran Bible Camp is a great opportunity for your child to turn off all screens to connect with other Christian children, enjoy many outdoor activities, and learn from God's Word. Camp is open to all children going into grades 4-12. Feel free to speak with Pastor Tembreull with any questions.

Upcoming Important Events

February 9-13 – GLS Giving Week

February 12 – Women's Fellowship

February 15 -- Semi-annual Voter's Meeting after Worship Service

February 17 -- Mary and Martha Meeting – 10:00AM

February 27 -- GLS Parent Appreciation night

April 17-19 – Men's Retreat

Contact Information Update for Hehrs

Dan and Sara Hehr have a new email address, please update your contacts. The new email is:

sara.sarahehr.44@gmail.com.



2026 Men's Retreat

**Government Camp, Oregon
Messiah, Hope, and Grace Churches**

April 17-19, 2026

Registration Deadline: March 1st

Cost: \$200

To register, please visit:

<https://hopeintigard.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3386076>

Women's Ministry - Under Construction

Women's Bible Study

Next meeting – February 21st 9:30AM

Location - Grace Lutheran School

For more information contact: Penny Hung 971-272-1964 / penny.hung1@gmail.com

Women's Fellowship

Penny Hung has volunteered to host our next women's fellowship.

It will be at her house on Thursday, February 12th at 5:30PM.

If you are able, please RSVP.

As always, be ready for awesome fellowship and a devotion. Please bring a side plate or an hors d'oeuvre to share.

Mary and Martha

Tuesday, February 17th at 10 AM

Church Fellowship

For more information contact: Linda Bern 503-459-7630 / bernfamily@msn.com

We are so excited for the opportunities we already have to grow together in our faith in Jesus and in our friendships as Christian sisters here at Grace. Stay tuned as we work to grow and serve Jesus even better in the future.



The Eagle Message
 Grace Lutheran School
CALLED AND CHOSEN
 1 Peter 2:9

February 3, 2026

Chapel Service at 8:30

We will have our weekly school-wide **Chapel Service**, on Wednesday mornings at **8:30**. Mr. Jo will lead our worship this week. We will support Mount Hope Lutheran Church in Bend, Oregon, *Pastor Bitter's new congregation*, <https://mounthopebend.com/> in the Second Semester. Offerings total \$44.85.

❄️ **COLD WEATHER CLOTHING** ❄️

RECESS WILL BE OUTDOORS AS OFTEN AS THE WEATHER ALLOWS, SO MAKE SURE THAT YOUR CHILDREN WEAR SUITABLE CLOTHES AND HAVE WARM JACKETS, AND SHOES THAT ARE APPROPRIATE FOR OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES.

❄️ **School Cancellations / Late Starts / Snow Closures** ❄️

We want to remind our families that we send out our emergency alerts via text & email through **Brightwheel**. If you are not receiving the texts & emails, please contact the school office at glsoffice@grace-wels.net with the best phone number & email address where we can reach you.

Recess Supervisors needed

We are in need of lunchtime Recess Supervisors, from **11:45 to 1:00** on each school day. Please contact the school office if you have questions or if you are able to help our school, students and staff in this way, 503-777-8628, call or text. Thank you.

Brightwheel tax information

2025 tax statements are now available to parents *in their Brightwheel accounts*.



February Hot Lunch NEXT WEEK

This month's Hot Lunch will be served on **Thursday February 12th**. The meal will include Chicken Fettucine, Breadsticks, Salad, Fruit, Drinks and Dessert. Cost is \$5 per person - payable with cash, or checks made out to **Working Eagles**.

Red, White and Pink Day TOMORROW
Wednesday February 4th

In connection with Giving Week, (**February 8-14**) we will be having a **Spirit Day TOMORROW Wednesday, Feb. 4th**.

Students are asked to wear **Red, White and Pink** to show their school spirit and love for GLS! *Students are not required to participate.*

♥ **Grace Lutheran School GIVING WEEK** ♥

We can thank God for our faith and for our school that shares the **love of Jesus** with others. During Giving Week (**February 8-14**) show your **love of Christian education** at Grace Lutheran School by choosing to help provide a quality Christ-centered education for students here in the Portland metro area. **Details about this event are attached.**

5th - 8th grade Spelling Bee FRIDAY February 6th

There will be a Spelling Bee for 5th through 8th grade students on **Friday, February 6th**, starting at 2:00 PM. Parents will be notified via Brightwheel if their child will be competing in the Spelling Bee.



Parent Appreciation Night

The school staff wants to show our thanks for the families of Grace and Precious Lambs Preschool by having a **Parent Appreciation Night** on **Friday, February 27 starting at 5:30 PM**. Join us for dinner and a fun activity. Childcare for ages 3-12 will be provided at the school. Please look for additional information in the coming weeks!

Phone/Text: 503-777-8628 Fax / Second line: 503-230-1354
glsoffice@grace-wels.net www.gracepdx.com

Grace Giving Week

Monday, Feb. 9, 2026- Friday, Feb. 13, 2026



HAPPY GIVING WEEK, EAGLES!

It's time to show our school some love! Our Third Annual Giving Week will take place Friday, February 9, 2026- Friday, February 13, 2026. During Giving Week, you have the unique opportunity to support Grace Lutheran School and Precious Lambs Preschool in continuing to provide an environment devoted to preparing young hearts and minds for the world that awaits.

At Grace and Precious Lambs, we are dedicated to offering a Christ-Centered education, enriched with Christian teachings and morals for children aged Pre-K through 8th grade. Thank you for supporting our school and helping us meet our goal!

Here are three ways you can show our school some **LOVE**:

Donate- Lock in your gift starting **Monday, February 9** by scanning the QR Code below or by cash/check. Checks may be made out to [Working Eagles](#) and can be given to the office or Mrs. Leitzke. This year's goal is to raise **\$2,000!**

Share- Spread the message to your family and friends and encourage them to support a Christ-Centered Education at Grace!

Follow- Follow us at Grace Lutheran School, Portland on Facebook or visit us on our website at gracepdx.com

DONATE HERE



Grace Giving Week



Cash or Check Donation Form

Amount: _____

Contact Details:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Postal Code: _____



YOU CAN ALSO DONATE ONLINE HERE





EVERGREEN LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

Welcome to February - a month that invites us to reflect on LOVE. We are deeply thankful for the generous love you share with us, made possible by the love our Savior first showed us. This week, we look forward to hosting our annual Career Day. Welcoming roughly 30 volunteers who want to show their love and support to our students with encouragement and guidance. As we prepare for that day at the end of the week, in chapel we have been talking about the different vocations God has given to each of us. To use our unique gifts to all support the body of Christ together. You are doing just that, by supporting Evergreen you are working together with us in ministry. We are so grateful for partnering with you and sharing the love of Christ with our students every day. There is no greater love to share than the love our Father has shown us. For that, we will always have a need for Evergreen Lutheran High School.

Here is a look at the exciting things this past month and upcoming things on the schedule.

- Winterfest: Coming off of Christmas break, we jumped right in with Winterfest. What a fun week to see the students dress up and interact together with all the various games. Also, a thank you to all who came to our Parent/Alumni night that week. It was a packed house!
- Evergreen Sundays: Our choir traveled to Calvary Lutheran in Bellevue on January 25th with their next date scheduled for February 6th at Bethany Lutheran in Port Orchard. We would love to see you there!
- End of Year letters: If you made a donation to Evergreen in 2025, those end of year letters have been both emailed and mailed out. If you have not received them, see an error, or need help with something, don't hesitate to reach out and let us help you.
- Winter Sports: Regular season has ended with both the boys and girls' basketball teams finishing in 3rd place. They will continue into playoffs, take a look at our [calendar](#) and come and join our cheerleaders and cheer your Eagles on. The crowds have been electric recently with lots of close games. It has been a lot of fun to be at.
- Future Eagle Night: This year we welcomed 27 8th graders to Evergreen, to hear about our school and invited them to be an Eagle next year. Last year we had 22 attend and had a freshman class of 30. We are excited for the increase from last year.

- Association meeting: was held on February 1st. It was our first time doing a completely zoom meeting. The information about these meetings will always be shared with your congregations. We encourage you to share Evergreen information in your churches so others can be aware as well.
- Drama: We just wrapped up three performances of Rogue's Gallery to over 400 students and another two performances to the public, both with sold out performances. We thank our students for all their hard work, our director Bonnie Wilcox for her work with them, and all who came to support these individuals. Everyone had a wonderful time!
- Career Day: February 6th we are excited to have roughly 30 people come and share their different occupations with our students. The people we ask are typically specifically asked to attend based on student career interests. But our list of willing people to attend is over 200 people. What a blessing for so many willing people to want to support Evergreen and our students. If you would like to be added to the list I would love to hear from you.

When I think of a school succeeding: I think of good leadership with vision. I think of dedicated teachers and hard working students. I think of willing volunteers wanting to help with events and the needs of the school. I think of donors who want to give because they see the benefits of Christian Education. I think of alumni positively reflecting on their time and wanting to stay connected, "missing" their teachers and classes. Evergreen has each and every one of these! God is so richly blessing Evergreen. We thank God for this opportunity to serve his children.

In Christ,

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