

Sunday, January 5

**Benevolent Offering Received** 

8:15 a.m. Common Grounds Café
8:30 a.m. Lily Pad open all morning – (6 weeks to 4 years old)
8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service with Communion – Sanctuary
9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service with Communion – Sanctuary

Today, the Sunday School Pre-K through 5th Grade focused on:

The Book of Philippians (*Philippians 1-4*) When we follow Jesus' example of humility, we live in harmony with others.

Monday, January 6 8:30 a.m. Monday Morning Work Crew

#### **Tuesday, January 7**

7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministers Meeting – CR 206 7:00 p.m. Sr. High Youth Group – The Bridge

#### Wednesday, January 8

12:00 p.m. Bulletin announcement submission deadline
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper – FH
6:30 p.m. Awana
6:30 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group – The Loft
6:45 p.m. PointMen Study
(Choir rehearsals begin next Wednesday, January 15)

#### Thursday, January 9

9:30 a.m.Mom's Morning Out – Rooms 132/1336:30 p.m.Worship Team Rehearsal – Sanctuary6:30 p.m.Missions Committee Meeting – Room 1337:00 p.m.Celebrate Recovery Men's Step Study – The Loft

Friday, January 10 12:00 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive – FH

Saturday, January 11

9:00 a.m. Open Prayer-All Welcome – CR 206

#### Sunday, January 12

8:15 a.m. Common Grounds Café
8:30 a.m. Lily Pad open all morning (6 weeks to 4 years old)
8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service – Sanctuary
9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service – Sanctuary

"I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe."

Seeing God at Work...Inside Our Walls Philippians 2:1-5

Pastor Steve Young

~ Ephesians 1:18-19

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# Welcome to 8:30 Traditional Worshin

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Welcome and Anno	
Scripture	Romans 12:1-2
Hymns	Be Thou My Vision (#468)
	Gentle Shepherd (#596)
Scripture	Matthew 1:20-2: Promise of Salvation
Hymn	And Can It Be That I Should Gain? (#260
Scripture	Ephesians 4:14-16 Promise of Growth
Hymn	Cleanse Me (#425
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Message	Seeing God at WorkInside Our Walls
Communion	
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11:00 Contemporar	ry Worship
Prelude	
Call to Worship	
Songs of Worship	He Is Faithfu
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Announcements	Be Lifted Up

How He Loves

Seeing God at Work...Inside Our Walls

Communion

Offertory

Message

Benediction

\*\*\*Ushers in back will receive a benevolent offering\*\*\*

Reaching out while transforming within for the glory of God.

# This Week at GracePoint

### **Back to Normal!**

Sunday School for all ages is on for today. Children and youth programs are back in action this week. Mom's Morning Out starts this Thursday. Choir rehearsal, however, won't begin until next Wednesday (Jan. 15)

## Wednesday Night Supper

Wednesday, January 8 | 5:30 - 6:15 p.m. | Fellowship Hall Our next Wednesday Night Supper will be held on January 8. Three-Soup Night with salad bar and dessert is on the menu. The suggested donation for meals is \$2/adult and \$1/child. Pay at the door.

### **Red Cross Blood Drive @ GracePoint**

Friday, January 10 | 12 Noon – 6:00 p.m. | Fellowship Hall Marie Reynolds | marie.reynolds@exploregracepoint.com | 651.478.7645 We are hosting the Red Cross Blood Drive on Friday, Jan. 10. Go to RedCrossBlood.org to sign up. If you sign up online, use sponsor code: "GracePoint New Brighton." You can sign up at the Event Center.

## Are You Age 22-32? NEW Sunday School Class!

We are starting a NEW Sunday School class for those out of college to early 30s. Pastor Steve is launching this new class today and in the coming Sundays. We'll meet in the Conference Room (CR 206) at 9:45 a.m. Come check it out!

## All-Church Craft Night

Friday, January 17 | 4:30 - 8:00 p.m. | Gym | Dinner served 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.Marie Reynolds | marie.reynolds@ExploreGracePoint.com | 651.478.7645Everyone, ages 1-101, is invited to a night filled with creativity, friendship and food. Creative opportunities await for you. This is one night you and your friends will not want to miss. All you need to do is show up. Dinner will be provided.

#### PointMen...what's ahead?

- ⇒ Wednesday Night Bible Study begins next week...Jan. 15 (6:45 p.m.). Pastor Steve will be leading in Room 132-133.
- ⇒ Our next **PointMen Breakfast** will be Saturday, February 1. Always good food...good fellowship...and good inspiration! (9:00-11:00 a.m.)

# Short-Term Small Groups

Looking for a way to get to know others and connect in a meaningful way at GracePoint? Have you avoided getting in a small group because you're not sure of your time commitment? We're launching several Feb/March (2-month) small groups. Details and sign-ups coming soon!

# East Gym Door Open - Sundays in January

Gordy Druvenga | gordy.druvenga@exploregracepoint.com | 651-633-7515Due to winter weather, the East Gym Door will be open for access to GracePoint on all Sunday mornings in January from 8:00 - 11:30 a.m.

# Sr. High: Snow Camp Winter Retreat @ Lake Beauty Bible Camp

Friday, Jan. 24 – Sunday, Jan. 26 | Lake Beauty Bible Camp – Long Prairie, MN Christian Brands | christian.brands@exploregracepoint.com | 507.269.6689 Snow Camp is unique in that our youth group will have Lake Beauty Bible Camp all to ourselves! Expect a weekend packed with annual traditions like broomball, snow tubing, gym games, and polar plunging. Student-led chapels feature hilarious challenges, engaging worship, and teaching that will encourage your faith. There's also plenty of free time to warm up around the fireplace while sharing life and laughs with new and old friends! We'll meet at the Bridge for departure by 4 pm Friday and return by 4 pm Sunday. Early-bird pricing is good through 12/24 and registration closes 1/15, so don't wait to sign up! Need-based scholarships are available.

## Jr. High: Avalanche Retreat @ Big Sandy Camp

Friday, February 7 – Sunday, February 9 | Big Sandy Camp – McGregor, MN Christian Brands | christian.brands@exploregracepoint.com | 507.269.6689 Join your friends and leaders for the first annual GPC Jr. High winter retreat at Big Sandy Camp! This weekend will be a great chance to grow deeper in your relationships with God and others. We'll learn and worship in chapel, bond as a group, and enjoy awesome indoor and outdoor activities like snow tubing, broomball, and dodgeball. We will depart from GracePoint in the late afternoon on Friday and return Sunday afternoon. Spots may be limited, and registration closes 1/22, so don't wait to sign up! Early-bird pricing is good through 1/8, and there is a discount for multiple students. Need-based scholarships are available.

# **Quarterly Business Meeting - New Time!**

The next Quarterly Business Meeting will be on Sunday, January 26. In consideration of winter conditions (darkness and possible hazardous weather) and to make it more feasible for families with children to attend, the Church Council has rescheduled the meeting for the Sunday School hour (starting at 9:45 a.m.). There will be no adult Sunday school.

# 2020 Resource for You! MarriedPeople Monthly

Married People Monthly is a beautifully and creatively produced monthly email provided free to you by your GracePoint Marriage Matters Team. The email comes to your email inbox at the beginning of each month. The next issue can land in your inbox on January 1! To sign up, click on "Event Registrations" in the GPC App or on exploregracepoint.com (scroll down the page to see the registration link).

# Coming Soon....Watch for information!

## Sanctity of Human Life Month - Donation Drive

Next Sunday we'll let you know more about our collection drive for New Life Family Services, a Christian organization offering physical, emotional, and spiritual support as they face pregnancy-related circumstances.

# Women's Winter/Spring Bible Studies

The new studies begin February 10 & 11. In the coming weeks you'll find out more about study options and when to register.

#### \*\*\* SAVE THE DATES \*\*\*

January 19 – Pastry/Pizza With the Pastor

January 26 – CAYAC Lunch

**February 8—Marriage Matters Workshop** Become Your Best US: "Love God First" Marriage Event

March 1–VBS Pancake Breakfast

June 21-25 – Vacation Bible School Week

# Memorial Service for Mary Porter's father

Mary Porter's father, Ed Bushouse (age 97), passed away on Dec. 31. The visitation and celebration of life service and burial will be in Michigan on January 10 and 11. However, an informal memorial service will be held on Monday, January 6 at 7:00 p.m. at Faith Christian Reformed (just a few blocks south of GracePoint - 1600 Silver Lake Rd NW). Mary and Steve Porter invite you to come and celebrate Ed's life. Refreshments will follow the short service.

#### Welcome to GracePoint!

Please use a Connection Card (in the pew racks) to request prayer, share comments; or, if you are a visitor, provide contact info.

Free Wi-Fi for GP Guest (password case sensitive): GracePoint

Go to your app store and download the **ExploreGracePoint App** to access sermon videos and audio files, event info, prayer requests, bulletins, and more.

Text to Give: 84321 (follow the prompts)

#### GLOBAL PARTNER OF THE WEEK Don and Janet Ekstrand

The Ekstrands work with SEND International at the Christian Academy of Japan (CAJ). Don teaches instrumental music at CAJ, and Janet teaches first grade. The Ekstrands are excited to see how God is working in the lives of their internationally diverse student body. Please pray that they continue to see their students grow in their faith, and



in their academic pursuits, as these students have great potential to impact their various home cultures for Christ. Last summer Don and Janet celebrated 30 years of marriage, and 30 years in the field in Japan. They praise God for his faithfulness and grace to them. Continue to pray for Don and Janet in their teaching roles, for their 2 older daughters teaching in Japan, for Collin, in school in Canada, and for Brennan, as he continues in high school at CAJ.

Please check the binder in the church office for more detailed information about all the global partners GracePoint supports prayerfully and financially.