

Grace Notes

Grace Lutheran Church, 2006 60th Street, Kenosha, Wisconsin 53140



February, 2024

Lent Begins Ash Wednesday, February 14

Grace Lutheran Church invites you to center yourself for the start of the season of Lent. Ash Wednesday services, featuring the disposition of ashes and the sacrament of Holy Communion, will be at 1:00 p.m. and again at 6:00 p.m. on February 14.

We plan to be open for worship here in person and also on line at our Facebook page, [GraceLutheranKenosha](https://www.facebook.com/GraceLutheranKenosha).



Congregational Meeting to Elect Council, Consider Budget

Grace Lutheran Church's annual congregational meeting is scheduled after the worship service on Sunday, February 11. Council members and service groups are asked to submit their reports to the church office (graceoffice@wi.rr.com) before Wednesday, January 31, so that members can pick up copies of the annual report on February 4.

Krisan Knapp has let us know that she will step down as our Treasurer this year. She is willing to help train the next Treasurer before she steps down.

Please let Pastor or somebody else on Council know if you are interested in being our church Treasurer.

Houston Pot Luck This Sunday

On Sunday, February 4, we will have a potluck to celebrate Council President Dawn Houston. She is finishing up her council term this month. She has been VP or council president for the last 11 years at Grace, and we want to celebrate this historic tenure. Please sign up to bring dishes.

New Member Classes Have Begun

Here is a tentative schedule for new member classes:

Class session 2: Sunday February 4 after Sister Dawn Potluck

Class session 3: Sunday February 11 after annual meeting

Class session 4: Sunday March 10

Class session 5: Sunday March 24

April 14: Receive New Members and Potluck Welcoming

Heating Unit Needs Repair

Our compressor went out on the upstairs part of our HVAC system. This is an essential part of the system and must be repaired. The estimated repair cost is \$4,100.

We appreciate everyone who has generously donated towards this repair already, and we hope those who have not donated will consider making a donation—every donation helps get this paid for.

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany Gathering Liturgy

AFFIRMATION OF WELCOME STATEMENT

P Let us affirm our welcome statement.

C Grace Lutheran Church commits to live as a community of people seeking reconciliation and wholeness in our life together and in our ongoing outreach to the world. We commit to the work of anti-racism, anti-ableism, liberation, and environmental justice for all of God's beloveds.

We affirm the sacredness of people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions. We affirm the sacredness of all those who have experienced exclusion because of race, culture, disability, age, or physical demeanor. We affirm the sacredness of those who wrestle with addiction, physical or mental health,

imprisonment, socio-economic circumstances, or anything that too often divides us.

You are absolutely invited to share your gifts as you join us in this lifelong journey. We welcome and embrace all who are seeking God's love and grace. We need each other and our sincere hope is by being in community together we will know the kin-dom of God has come near.

GATHERING SONG: "Do With It What You Will"

1: *You have given all to me
To you O Lord I return it
Everything I have is yours
Do with it what you will*

2: *You will gather all of me
Every gift every burden
Every day and every hour
Do with it what you will*

*Chorus: I lift it up, I lay it down
At your table
Multiply my sacrifice*

*For you are able
3: I will take my daily cross
Every step of the journey
I will bear it for your sake
Do with it what you will.
Refrain.*

4: *Take my laughter and my loss
Make them tools of your mercy
Anything my hands can make
Do with it what you will
Do with it what you will
Do with it what you will*

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Scripture for Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Genesis 1:26–31

Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

²⁷So God created humankind in his image,

in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.



²⁸God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that

moves upon the earth."

²⁹God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so.

³¹God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Prayers and Communion Liturgy

HYMN OF THE DAY: "God the Maker"

1: *We bring our time we bring our treasure
We lay them down before Your throne
You will make them something greater
More than we could ever know*

2: *We bring our gifts we bring our power
Place them in Your sovereign hand
You will take what we have given
You will use it for Your plan*

*Chorus: Glory be to God the Maker
Glory be to God Creator*

*Take our time use our treasure
Turn them into something greater
Glory be to God the Maker*

3: *Though our hearts are weak from failure
Broken dreams and failed attempts
Show us that in every season*

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VERSE: "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"
(ELW #752)

Lord, listen to your children praying,

Lord, send your Spirit in this place;

Lord, listen to your children praying,

send us love, send us power, send us grace.

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

Everlasting God, you bring your healing power to the church. Give your church a spirit of unity and prayer, that we discern your way for us in the world. God of grace,

C **receive our prayer.**

P Creator of the ends of the earth, you make the grass grow and send rain for the soil. Bring your creation into harmony and balance. Give animals their food and provide healthy shelter for your people. Inspire us to honor the miraculous beauty of all you have made. God of grace,

C **receive our prayer.**

P God without equal, your steadfast love endures forever. Bring the leaders, elected officials, and peacekeepers of our towns and countries into understanding and unity. Guide them to serve with compassion and understanding. God of grace,

C **receive our prayer.**

P God who strengthens, you lift up with your hand any who are suffering. Heal those who are brokenhearted and strengthen the weak and all in need, especially:

- Darlene Bard
- Kate Barker
- Dawn Bench (Welcome Center volunteer)
- Doug Becker (Marlene's son)
- Eric Berge (Paul's brother)
- Pat Bernacchi
- Jackie Brichacek (Nancy's sister-in-law)
- Andrew Calvert
- Cameron Carr (Karen Cassiday's nephew)
- Holly Cummings
- Eric Dangerfield
- Jan Dugdale
- Barb Ehlen
- Gregory Foster
- Judy Gregory
- Shirleen Gulick
- Cogan Holly Hall
- Aggie Hartnell (Bert's mother)
- Christine Hill
- Sydney & Skyler Houston
- Dick Kauffman
- Norma Larson
- Rubel Pierce (Randy's father)

Jean Preston

- Rex Reeve
 - Carolyn Reynold's children Eddie, Santino, and Lytoshia
 - Martha, Joel, and Jeanette Sanchez
 - Cynthia Schwartz (Norma's daughter)
 - Patti Shields
 - Jill Swails
 - Marcia Swanson
 - Joyce Swift
 - Andrew Tate
 - Ron and Linda Wadham
 - Steve & Heather Waldron
 - Henry, Florence, and Jacqueline Walker (Carolyn's brother and sisters)
 - Charles and Timothy Walker
 - Dottie Watts
 - Chris Webb (Bert's sister)
 - Pam Wisse
 - Kristi Weiss.
- God of grace,

C **receive our prayer.**

P God who gives power to the faint, challenge us to share the faith stories of what God has done in our lives. Open us to receive the unique ways God is

at work in your people, especially those whose perspectives challenge our own. God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

P God who calls each star by name, we remember all who have died. Shelter all who mourn with your mercy and care, and give us hope in your promised salvation. God of grace,

C receive our prayer.

P Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth, for you have had mercy on us and given your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for the salvation you have granted to us through Jesus, the Word made flesh, the child of Mary; the Light of the world, our Immanuel. Send the Spirit of your Son into our hearts, that as your beloved children we may welcome our Savior who comes to us in his body and blood.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

C Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

*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
And ever. Amen*

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one. Come and see.

SONG: "Be Still"

*Be still, be still
Know that I am God
Be still, be still
Know that I am God*

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"Instrument of Peace"

*Chorus: Lord make me
An instrument of peace
An instrument of peace. Repeat.*

*1: Where there is hatred let me sow love.
Where there is darkness let me sow light
For in the giving we shall receive
And in the dying we're given life. Chorus*

*2: Where there is sorrow, let me sow hope.
Where there is doubt, let me sow faith.
Where there is injury, your pardon give
Your consolation to those in pain. Chorus.*

Coda: Amen Amen

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Let us pray.

God of our ancestors, God of all people, before whose face the human generations pass away, we thank you that as the broken bread was gathered into one loaf, the broken fragments of our history are gathered up and healed by the redeeming act of Christ.

Send us forth in peace, form us into what we celebrate, the body of Christ in the world. Nourished by this sacrament, give us strength and courage to serve you in daily life with joy and singleness of heart. In the name of Christ we pray.

C Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and, + give you peace.

C Amen.

SENDING SONG: "I'll Not Be Shaken"

1: *For God alone I wait in silence
My soul is still before the Lord*

*He is my rock and my salvation
My fortress strong I trust in Him*

Chorus1: *I'll not be shaken I'll not be shaken
For all my hope is in His love
From God alone comes my salvation
I'll wait and trust His steadfast love*

2: *Put not your hope in gain of riches
Seek not your rest in empty wealth
The rich are weak the poor are mighty
Who turn to God alone for help*

Chorus 2: *I'll not be shaken! I'll not be shaken
For all my hope is in His love
From God alone comes my salvation
I wait and trust His steadfast love!
I wait and trust His steadfast love! 2X*

Coda: *I wait and trust his steadfast love! I wait and trust his steadfast love!*

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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. You are God's beloved.

C Thanks be to God!

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Why Native Plants?

Grace will host "Why Native Plants" at 6:00 p.m. Monday, February 19. Learn about the role of

native plants in habitat creation, native species preservation, and climate change mitigation.

L'Arche Meets on First Mondays

L'Arche meets again Monday, February 5 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

L'Arche was formed in France in 1964 by one person's desire to serve God and the needs of people with severe disabilities. We have done much prayer and research prior to contacting L'Arche International to begin the process of forming a L'Arche community.

From its humble













beginning over 60 years ago it has grown to over 160 communities across the world. The core values of compassion/generosity, competence, community and outward fruitfulness mesh well with the spirit of Grace Lutheran.

Since the Fall of 2023, we have met monthly to carry our initial inspiration forward utilizing the guidance of l'arche International and regular weekly strategy / planning sessions with Pastor Barker. Each monthly meeting

includes a time of welcoming, prayer, films about l'Arche and time for casual conversation and fellowship.

These gatherings have been well-attended with 20-30 people participating. In February, we begin the important next step in the application process to the Pre-Foundation stage beginning with an extended Reflection meeting. We are so grateful to have this partnership with Grace and 2024 will be an important year as we continue the journey to bring L'Arche Kenosha into being.

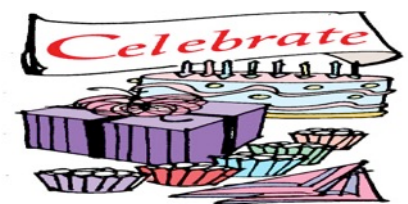
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 9:30 am Worship service 10:30 am Potluck brunch 11:30 am New member class 7:00 pm NA	5 8:00-noon Welcome Center packing 9:00 am Prayer group 6:30 pm l'Arche	6 9:00-noon Welcome Center packing 4:00-5:30 pm Food pantry	7 	8 8:30-9:00 am Welcome Center breakfast 2:00-5:00 pm Infant Moses ministry	9 8:30-9:00 am Welcome Center breakfast	10 <i>Lunar New Year</i> 
11 <i>Transfiguration of Our Lord</i> 9:30 am Worship service 10:30 am Annual congregational meeting 11:30 am New member class 7:00 pm NA	12 8:00-noon Welcome Center packing 9:00 am Prayer group	13 <i>Shrove Tuesday</i> 9:00-noon Welcome Center packing 4:00-5:30 pm Food pantry	14 <i>Ash Wednesday</i> 1:00, 6:30 om Worship services 	15 8:30-9:00 am Welcome Center breakfast 2:00-5:00 pm Infant Moses ministry	16 8:30-9:00 am Welcome Center breakfast	17 
18 9:30 am Worship service 10:30 am Church council meeting 7:00 pm NA 	19 <i>Presidents' Day</i> 8:00-noon Welcome Center packing 9:00 am Prayer group 6:00 pm Why Native Plants	20 <i>Spring primary</i> 9:00-noon Welcome Center packing 4:00-5:30 pm Food pantry	21 	22 8:30-9:00 am Welcome Center breakfast 2:00-5:00 pm Infant Moses ministry	23 8:30-9:00 am Welcome Center breakfast	24 
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Lenten Fish Bake Rescheduled to March 8

Grace Lutheran's Lenten fish bake is Friday, March 8 from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. Dine in or carry out.
 Adult dinner: \$15.00.
 Kids mac 'n' cheese dinner: \$5.00
 Adult dinner includes baked cod, baked potato, cole



slaw or corn, rye bread, and dessert.
 Kids' meal includes macaroni & cheese, cole slaw or corn, and apple sauce cup.
 Coffee and water included; soda for purchase at \$1/can. Tickets available at church on Sundays, or call 262-654-9143.



February Birthdays

Feb. 5: Serenity Hoffman
 Feb. 15: Debra Dreger
 Feb. 16: Adrienne Hix
 Feb. 22: Leah Schaut
 Feb. 26: Stephanie Knezz

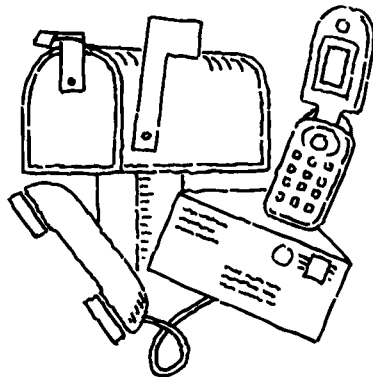
In the mail:

Thanks from Pastor Barker

From Reverend Barker

Big love to the whole Grace family! Rae, Zeiah and I will never forget getting to celebrate his first birthday with his church family. Thanks to everybody who gave such nice presents and brought food and showered Zeiah with love!

—Pastor Jonathan Barker



equivalent. Then the mayor must notify every town “located, entirely or partially, within a 100-mile radius.” Every town then must

meet individually to decide whether they will allow a refugee to live within 100 miles of their community!

Imagine that for a moment. Imagine if an Eagle Scout wanted to move into Milwaukee, and before they could buy a home, they had to get the approval of Appleton, Mount Horeb, Waupun, Whitewater, Kenosha, and potentially Rockford Illinois, Chicago Illinois, and lake towns in Michigan!

This is just the top layer of what the bill proposes. Such a requirement would destroy refugee resettlement in Wisconsin. Our ministries – our ministries! – would die on the vine if this bill passes. The work we do in Christ’s name, the image of God we love in our neighbors in need, the ministry of this Church would be end in a heartbeat.

I urge you to write to or call your legislators (<https://legis.wisconsin.gov/>) and tell them to vote NO on SB-916. Tell them the heart of the Church – to love strangers and enemies – is at stake in this legislation. LIRS and LSS need your voice to continue doing this vital ministry in our State.

Thanks and blessings,
~The Rev. Tyler Rasmussen
Pastor at Mt Zion Lutheran Church, ELCA

Madison Legislation Threatens Work of LIRS

Friends,

You all know of the amazing ministry we do through Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services along with Lutheran Social Services to provide care and support for refugees. My congregation served as a host-site for collecting resources for refugees during the Afghan crisis the other year, and it was our privilege to support these families escaping dangerous situations and seeking new lives as our neighbors.

I just learned there is a bill before the Wisconsin legislature, SB-916 (<https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/2023/related/proposals/sb916>), that seeks to destroy the ministry we do to care for and support these strangers in our midst. The bill is much worse than what I can describe, but let me highlight just the first paragraph. “If an employee or officer” of any town or school discovers refugees might be resettled in their area, they must contact the mayor or



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Amazon \$25.00	1.7%		\$	Exxon \$50.00	1%		\$	Pick 'n Save (WI) \$25.00	4%		\$
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Dave & Buster's \$25.00	13%		\$	Panera Bread \$10.00	8%		\$				
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Rae Barker Authors New Book

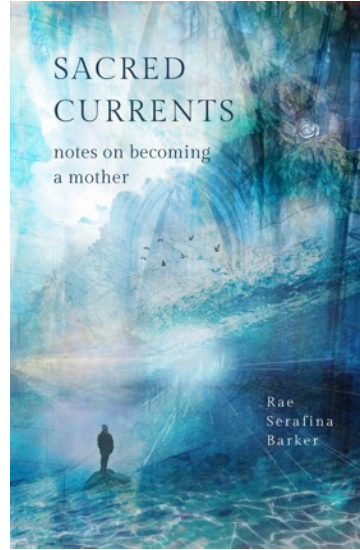
Rae Serafina Barker has published a book of poems and essays, *Sacred Currents: Notes on Becoming a Mother*. Weaving themes of identity and partnership, lineage and loneliness, depression and descent, time and memory with intimacy and truth-telling, *Sacred Currents* is about what we make with life's most pivotal moments, how we carry what changes us forever, and how we navigate the currents of chaos and love that sweep us into the unknown.

"I wanted to write it in large part because I felt lonely and desperate for honest conversation about how it actually was to become a

mother," she wrote on Facebook. "I thought it might help to tell the truth to myself, at least.

"One of my hopes for this book is that it opens conversations. I hope people reach out to chat about their own experience and share their own stories. I hope it somehow sparks more story-sharing and truth-telling of all kinds.

"In some ways, I know less than before. The process of



writing clarified some things, but it also brought me closer to the mystery at the center, illuminating its overwhelming scope and unfathomable depth. But here on the other side, book in hand, I do know this: Our stories are sacred, and it matters that we speak the truth about our lives."

Sacred Currents is available at [Goodreads.com](https://www.goodreads.com) and [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com).

Grace Receipts: January 28, 2024

General offering	\$ 998.00
Benevolence.....	\$ 5.00
Compressor repair.....	\$ 25.00
In memory of Tim Pfaff.....	\$ 25.00
From non-members:	
General offering	\$ 100.00
Pastor's benefits package	\$ 250.00
Sunday NA building use.....	\$ 40.00
<u>Minus internet transaction fees</u>	<u>\$ (26.18)</u>
Total	\$ 1,434.82

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St. Oswald's Leap Day

February 29 only comes around every four years or so (there are exceptions, but the next time we skip leap year will be 2100). There are, however, saints' days for every date on the calendar, and February 29 is no



exception.

Oswald of Worcester was an Anglo-Saxon archbishop in the Tenth Century. Born to Danish parents, he was sent to the abbey of Fleury in France by his uncle to become a monk. Shortly after returning to England, he was consecrated as

Bishop of Worcester in 961 and elevated to Archbishop of York nine years later.

As Archbishop, Oswald worked to de-secularize and the monasteries in his See. While washing the feet of the poor during Lenten services, Oswald died on February 29, 992, hence his saint's day.

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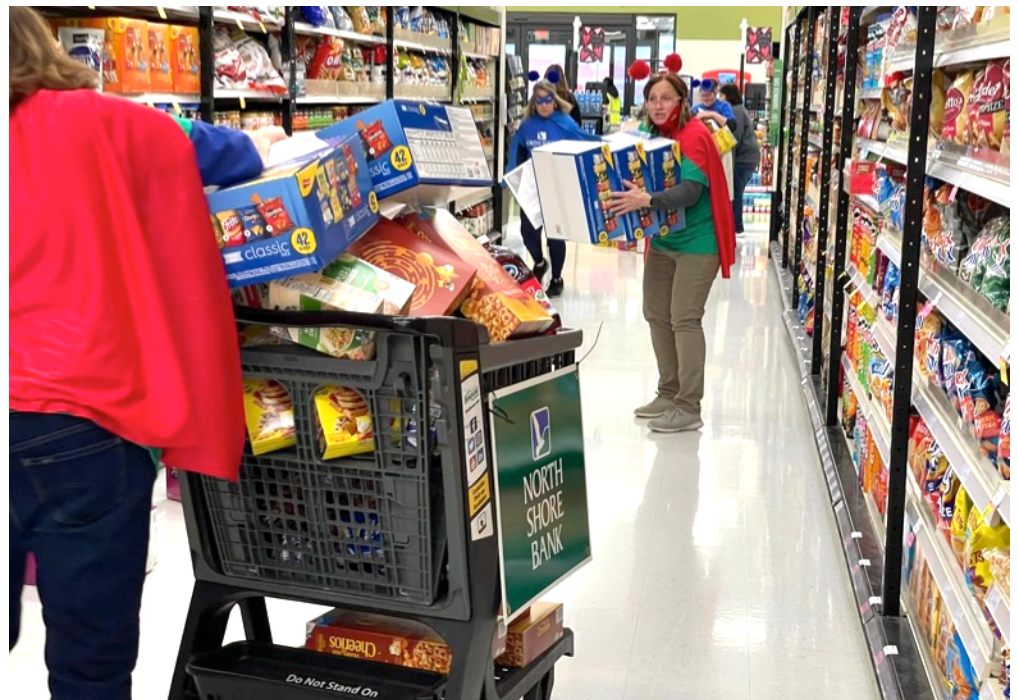
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Outreach for Hope Lenten Devotions

Outreach for Hope's much-beloved annual Lenten Devotion series featuring our OFH Ministry Partners is available soon!

The theme this year is "Bridges of Hope: Reflections on the Power of Partnership." New devotion videos will be released Monday through Friday, from Ash Wednesday through Holy Week. On Saturday, OFH will email their entire email list with a digest of the past week's devotions, and a PDF of transcripts for the following week.

You can sign up at <https://outreachforhope.org/lenten-devotions/>. If you've gotten their emails in the past, you do not need to sign up again.



Grace Welcome Center volunteers gather goods during the "Race for the Hungry" sponsored by North Shore Bank and Festival Foods in January