

Grace Notes

A QUICK LOOK AT THE MONTH AHEAD



A JOYOUS AND CARING CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

Vermilion Grace United Methodist Church

ROLL AWAY YOUR STONE

PASTOR'S LETTER

Greetings Grace!

Throughout Lent, we have been journeying through our playlist titled: Steadfast Love. However, as we have been approaching Holy Week, I wanted to share with you a song I would add to the playlist. That song is "Roll Away Your Stone" by Mumford and Sons. The lyrics will be on the following page but here's a sample: "It seems that all my bridges have been burned/ but you say that's exactly how this grace thing works/ it's not the long walk home that will change this heart/ but the welcome I receive with the restart." Christ is alive so that all of us may receive this grace filled welcome. You may feel as though there are too many burned bridges, that you have too much that burdens your soul. But offer yourself to God and come find that restart with us in this Joyous and Caring Christian Community. So let us plant our stakes in this ground and mark the territory of our new, impassioned souls this Easter season!

Grace and Peace - Pastor Preston

“Roll Away Your Stone”

written by Marcus Mumford, Ben Lovett, Winston Marshall, and Ted Dwayne

Roll away your stone, I'll roll away mine
And together we can see what we will find
Don't leave me alone at this time
For I am afraid of what I will discover inside

See you told me that I would find a hole
Within the fragile substance of my soul
And I have filled this void with things unreal
And all the while my character it steals

"Darkness" is a harsh term, don't you think?
And yet it dominates the things I seek

It seems that all my bridges have been burned
But, you say that's exactly how this grace thing works
It's not the long walk home
That will change this heart
But the welcome I receive with the restart

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Stars, hide your fires!
These here are my desires
And I will give them up to you this time around
And so, I'll be found
With my stake stuck in this ground
Marking its territory of this newly impassioned soul
Hide your fires!
These here are my desires
and I will give them up to you this time around
and so, I'll be found
With my stake stuck in this ground
Marking its territory of this newly impassioned soul

But you, you've gone too far this time
You have neither reason nor rhyme
With which to take this soul that is so rightfully mine

LENTEN WORSHIP SERIES

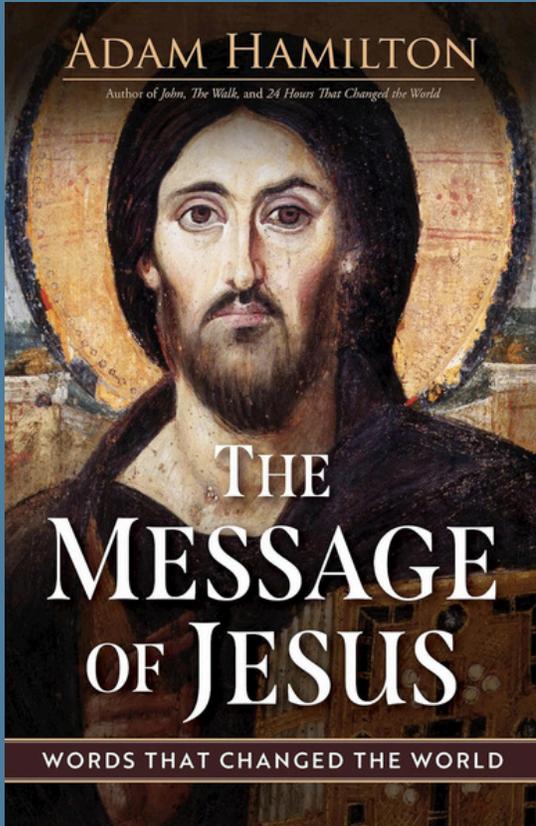
STEADFAST LOVE: A LENTEN PLAYLIST

Having considered the familiar where we are, we now raise our vision to the horizon and ask, “Where are we going?” Perhaps a better question is, “Who are we becoming?” Living in the light of the epiphany of the incarnated Christ, we are called to become more—more as individuals certainly, but also more as a community. In Part 2 of our “Where You Are” series, we will look at aspects of this beloved community and consider if this describes who we are and who we want to be. Some of this is within our grasp already, and we celebrate our strengths. But some of it may seem like a far horizon as we seek the Spirit’s strength to grow into our calling as the body of Christ.



LENTEN STUDIES

OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW DEEPER IN FAITH



JOIN US FOR ONE OR MORE OF THESE OFFERINGS:

WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?- THURSDAY, APRIL 3RD HYBRID FORMAT @ 6PM

FINAL WORDS- SATURDAY, APRIL 5TH IN PERSON @ 10AM AND THURSDAY, APRIL 10TH HYBRID FORMAT @6PM

THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE- APRIL 12TH IN PERSON @ 10AM AND THURSDAY, APRIL 17TH (MAUNDY THURSDAY) @ 5:30PM

OUR CHURCH WIDE LENTEN STUDY WILL BE BASED ON ADAM HAMILTON'S "THE MESSAGE OF JESUS: WORDS THAT CHANGED THE WORLD"

MORE THAN 3 BILLION PEOPLE CLAIM TO FOLLOW JESUS. BUT ASIDE FROM A FEW VERSES, HOW MANY ACTUALLY KNOW WHAT HE TAUGHT? IN FACT, MUCH OF WHAT PEOPLE THINK JESUS TAUGHT, HE NEVER SAID.

IN THIS SIX-WEEK STUDY, PASTOR AND BEST-SELLING AUTHOR ADAM HAMILTON EXPLORES SIX OF THE MOST IMPORTANT THEMES IN JESUS'S TEACHINGS, WHY THEY MATTER, AND HOW THEY SPEAK TO US TODAY. THE BOOK WILL EXPLORE JESUS'S PREACHING ON THE KINGDOM OF GOD, THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT, THE PARABLES, THE "I AM" SAYINGS IN JOHN, AND MORE. JESUS'S MESSAGE IS NOT ONLY LIFE-CHANGING, BUT WORLD-CHANGING.

THE MISSION FIELD

OPPORTUNITIES TO BE CHRIST TO OTHERS

Midwest Mission Calling

One of the Midwest Mission activities is to collect and assemble student kits. I am hopeful that we can take up this charge not only as Grace UMC but the city of Vermilion. These kits will be used to meet the needs of students around the world and will enhance student's learning. Each student kit should have the following items:

- 3 Spiral 1 subject spiral notebooks 8 ½ x 11
- 1 12" long ruler with metrics on the other side
- 6 pencils – unsharpened
- 1 small pencil sharpener
- 1 2" or larger pencil eraser
- 1 box of 12 colored pencils
- 1 box of 24 crayons
- 1 pair of student scissors

If we have people who know how to sew, there is a pattern to make sturdy bags to pack the materials in to ship to the students. There is a pattern to make the one-handed cloth bag if anyone is interested in that mission activity. Bags should be made out of denim, corduroy, sailcloth, or med-heavy or light upholstery fabric. They should not be made out of double-knit fabric or camouflage material.

Are you willing to help us collect supplies? Sew bags? We will have a place to collect supplies beginning on March 1st. This will be our Noisy Bucket/Quiet Wallet focus on March 16th. For more information, please contact Jim Chapple (440.225.1547 or chappjw@aol.com).



April 29, 2025

5:30pm

Wonderfully Made Ministry

at

Vermilion Grace UMC
13406 W Lake Road/Vermilion

**JOIN US FOR A SHORT
WORSHIP SERVICE
FOLLOWED BY DINNER &
FELLOWSHIP! ALL AGES
ARE INVITED TO
PARTICIPATE!**

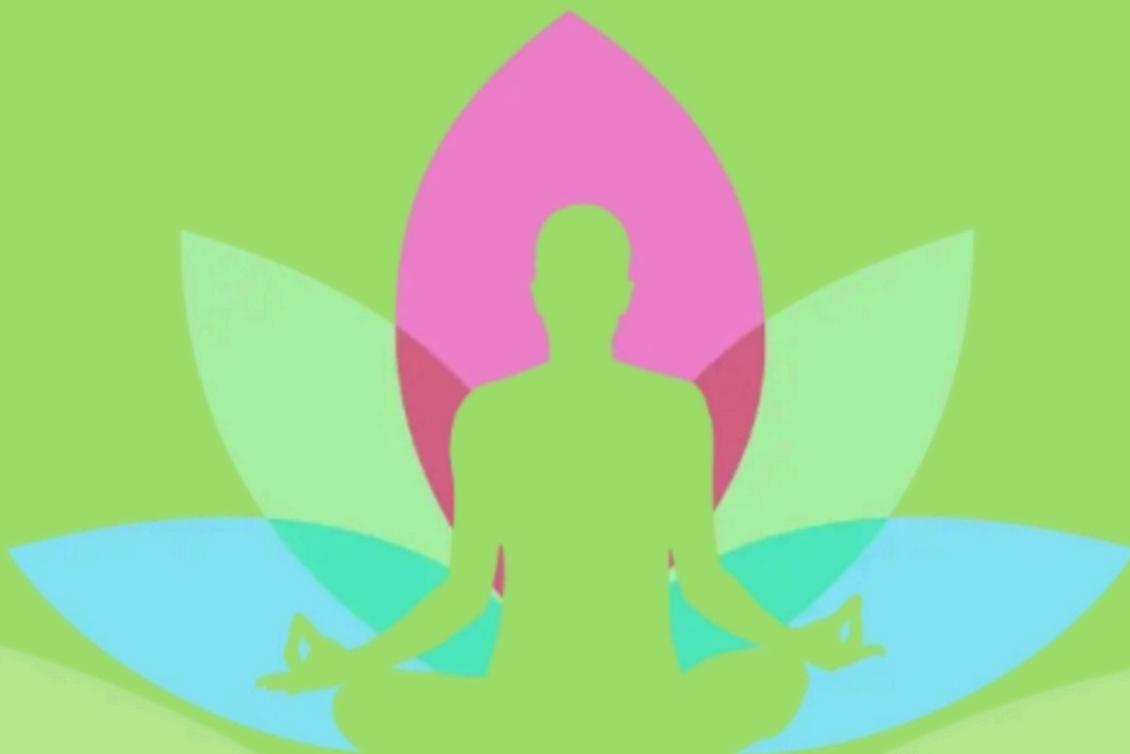
TEXT OR CALL NICOLE AT 440-829-2829
TO RSVP OR ASK QUESTIONS
CAREGIVERS ARE WELCOME TO MEET
TOGETHER, STAY WITH YOUR FAMILY
MEMBER, OR LEAVE AND PICK UP AT
7:00PM.
OUR SENSORY ROOM WILL ALSO BE
OPEN.



VERMILION GRACE UMC INVITES YOU TO

ADAPTIVE YOGA

ALL AGES AND ABILITIES WELCOME!



TUESDAY, APRIL 8

6:15-7:30 PM

13406 W LAKE ROAD

VERMILION

THE CLASS IS FREE, FUNDED THROUGH A GRANT AWARDED TO OUR
WONDERFULLY MADE MINISTRY.

OUR INSTRUCTOR, JEN NEBRASKA, IS A CERTIFIED AND REGISTERED YOGA INSTRUCTOR
WHO CURRENTLY TEACHES AT INNER BLISS STUDIOS IN WESTLAKE

GRACE UMC

HOLY WEEK

Schedule

APRIL 17

MAUNDY THURSDAY

7PM

APRIL 18

GOOD FRIDAY

CLOSED

APRIL 19

HOLY SATURDAY
VIGIL

12-9PM

APRIL 20

SUNRISE
BREAKFAST

8:30AM

APRIL 20

EASTER WORSHIP

10:15AM

You are invited to join us as we pray, reflect, and
worship together for Holy Week

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