GUMC Advent Study
A four-week Advent study, led by Diane Wasson Eberhart, will take place in the **Chapel** from **10-11AM** on **Tuesdays, Dec. 1, 8, 15, & 22**.
**God's Surprises for the Christmas Season: Blessings and Broken Plans*
Author Susan Robb explores how our own broken plans may open the way for God's presence and how every holy surprise carries a blessing. This practical and comforting Bible study helps participants to see their own changed plans in light of God's surprising presence, offering encouragement for real-life challenges during the Christmas season. All are invited to attend. Registration is available on the church website at: https://grinnellumc.org/signups/.

Joys/Concerns

Thank you, Lord, for joys:

Lord, please heal: Shea (Cindy Brunholtz's daughter), SolPaul Brim, Susan Latcham; Jon Risting, Steffi Davis & Family

Long Term Needs:

Lord, take our concerns of:

Lord, give peace to: Refugees & immigrants; all those whose lives have been effected by the violence

Guide our ministry partners: Bishop Kennetha Bigham-Tsai, Pastor Lilian Seagren-Gallo, Africa University, Stephen Ministry, Trinity Las Americas, Women At The Well, Project Jubilee, Old Mutare Hospital in Zimbabwe, Africa.

Lord, bring comfort to those who grieve:

If you or your loved one needs to be added or removed from the cares & concerns list, or if there is a change to an email/mailing address for someone on the list please contact the GUMC office.

Birthdays This Week: Nov 15 - Jens Henningsen; 16 - Bev Postels; 17 - Deb Larson; 18 - Merna Nelson; 19 - Lynn Moorman; 20 - Kurt Brennecke; 21 - Kari Gosselink, Russ Motta

Get To Know US…..

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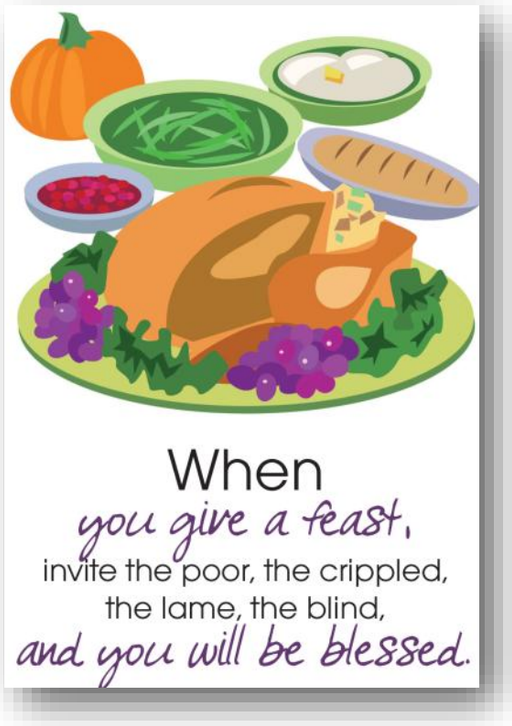
Oct. 15th – 21st, 2026

Today	8:00 & 10:30AM Worship Service 9:15AM Sunday School & Confirmation Class 9:30AM Praise Team Practice 12:00PM PFLAG Potuck 6:30PM Boy Scouts Crew Meeting
Monday	6:30PM Boy Scouts
Tuesday	2:30PM Staff Meeting 5:15PM Finance Committee Meeting 6:00PM Worship Committee Meeting 7:00PM Church Council Meeting
Wednesday	3:30PM Club 916 5:15PM RR Practice 6:00PM Park St High 6:15PM CC Practice
Thursday	5:30PM Community Meal 6:30PM Praise Band Practice
Friday	5:00PM Church Use - Farmer's Market
Saturday	9:00AM MAAN Breakfast 9:30AM Church Use - Farmer's Market

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Sunday, Nov 15, 2026



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Order of Worship

Nov 15, 2026
25th Sunday after Pentecost
*Please stand if able

PRELUDE
WELCOME / GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 105:1-6 (CEB)
L: Give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make his deeds known to all people!
P: Sing to God; sing praises to the Lord; dwell on all his wondrous works!
L: Give praise to God's holy name! Let the hearts rejoice of all those seeking the LORD!
P: Pursue the LORD and his strength; seek his face always!
L: Remember the wondrous works he has done, all his marvelous works, and the justice he declared—
P: you who are the offspring of Abraham, his servant, and the children of Jacob, his chosen ones. Praise the Lord!

CENTERING MOMENT Jerry Lane

*OPENING HYMN "Jesus Calls Us" UMH #398

OPENING PRAYER
P: Bless our worship, God of praise and song. May we hear your call. May we see your face. And may our praise join those around the world who serve and bless you. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC Radiant Ringers

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 14:15-24 (CEB)
L: The Word of God for the people of God.
P: Thanks be to God.

*SERMON SONG "Make Room" (see song sheet)

TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH Cathy Halley

MESSAGE Rev. Eric Rucker

APOSTLES' CREED
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER
P: 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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING / DOXOLOGY UMH #94

PRAYER OF DEDICATION
P: God who invites, God who brings a feast, we offer back to you the gifts you have given to us. Bless our gifts and bless our giving. In our giving, help us to respond to you, and may our gifts be used by you so all people can answer the invitation you send. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" UMH #400

DISMISSAL with BLESSING

AV Technician :Jared Breeden
Nursery Attendants: Tracy Reitz, Kara Koester & Ava Seney
Liturgists: 8:00 Jill Hulsing 10:30 Athen Schubert
Greeters: 8:00 Verl Beck
10:30 Nancie Coomes; Larry & Margaret Niswander
Ushers: 8:00 Gary Porter & Steve Spencer 10:30 Dave Van Arkel

Nov. 12th Grinnell Community Meal
Chicken Parmesan Casserole, French Bread, Salad & Dessert
*Provided by Ahrens Foundation
If you would like to volunteer for the meal, please sign up at https://calendly.com/grincomeal/30min?month=2025-10. For more information contact Ryan @ solomonr@grinnell.edu, or Delphina @ delbaumann@gmail.com.

MAAN Community Breakfast
Saturday mornings from **9 - 9:30M.** Free will donation breakfast served for **pick up only**, please make your reservations by calling **515-318-7664**.

Consecration Sunday
Grinnell UMC will be having **Consecration Sunday** on **Nov. 22nd.** Take time to pray, breathe and listen so you can know how to use what Jesus has given you to build connections and witness to others then please fill out and bring your pledge card with you to worship that day.

Bows, Bids, and Baked Goods Fundraiser
Join us **Nov. 22nd,** for a fun morning of baked treats, beautiful gift baskets, and community support! **9:15–10:15AM & 11:30AM–12:30PM** Gift basket winners announced at 12:30 PM! We will have delicious baked goods for sale, a silent auction featuring gift baskets, and a fun gift bow buffet. Everyone is welcome to stop by, shop, and support our youth! All proceeds will help our students attend summer camp and summer mission trips—meaningful experiences that help them grow in faith, build friendships, and serve others.