

Thursday December 17, 2025



The reality is starting to hit me that, even though my retirement is ten months away, this will be my last Christmas with you. I find myself getting very emotional at the thought of that. What will I do for a finale? Will Christmas suddenly become magical? After celebrating 30 Christmases with you, what will I hold on to the most? These are all questions yet to be answered. In any case, I do hope to see you on Christmas Eve at one of our celebrations.

Thank You! Thank You! To Tom Sprague, Jay Sutton, and Brett Meyer who came in this past Wednesday night to remove everything from the Chancel area of the church and set it up for the Children's Program this coming Sunday.

### Here are some things to mark on your calendars...

<u>Children's Program</u> Sunday, 12/21 Please join us, this coming Sunday, as the children share with us their unique telling of the nativity in "Christ is Born, Today!"

End of the Year Brunch, 12/28 at 10:00 a.m. On this Sunday, we gather in the Fellowship Hall to end the year with a special worship service and a feast. We ask that you sign up for this event on the bulletin board to the left of Pastor Dave's office door. We are also looking for people to help set up and prepare on Saturday, December 27 at 10:00 a.m., to work the kitchen before and during the event on December 28, and to help clean up after. All of these sign up sheets can be found to the left of Pastor Dave's office door.

Reminder The Financial Books of the church will close on Monday, December 29. Usually, December is our most expensive month. Please make sure that your financial offerings make it to the Financial Secretary by this date. You all have been great this year! There has not been one month when the books have gone into the Red. Let's stay strong through the end of the year.

<u>De-Decorating of the Church</u> Sunday, 1/11 Please mark this date on your calendar. We will take down all of the Christmas Décor, and put up decorative elements appropriate to Epiphany and Ordinary Time.

Ecumenical Service for Peace Sunday, 1/18, at 3:00 p.m. The Clergy of the Churches of the Green Corners invite you to an Ecumenical Service for Peace. This service will be hosted by Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, located at 3722 S. 58<sup>th</sup> Street, Milwaukee. Participating Churches include Greendale Community Church, St. Alphonsus Church, St. Stephen the Martyr Lutheran Church, St. Luke's Lutheran Church, St. Thomas of Canterbury Episcopal Church, Emanuel UCC- Hales Corners, Adoration Lutheran, and Our Lady of Lourdes. The question we ask people to think of before coming to the service (and there will be time to give public witness to this question) is "Who do you see working for peace in the world today?"



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# CHRISTINAS Control

The holidays are a festive time at GCC and we would love to see you at one of our Christmas Eve services.

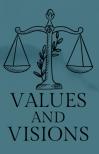
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Children's Service Dec. 24th at 3:00 pm Family Service Dec. 24th at 5:00 pm

Service of Lessons and Carols Dec. 24th at 10:00pm



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# **AMAZING** DINNER DIALOGUE

1.28.26

6PM-8PM · GCC

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THIS DINNER IS SPONSORED AND RUN BY THE INNERFAITH CONFERENCE OF GREATER MILWAUKEE

# **VALUES & VISIONS**

# NAVIGATING GRIEF IN THE WORLD TODAY

Political grief can occur when we experience a loss of safety, trust, or hope for the future because of government practices and/or backlash to enacted policies. Come join Grief Coach, Abigail Goelzer, in this supportive and inclusive setting to explore our emotions and find camaraderie.



MONDAY, JAN 26 • 6:30PM-8:00PM

Greendale Community Church 6015 Clover Lane, Greendale

