

Sunday, February 11

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
 9:30 a.m. Pastry with the Pastor – Conference Room
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School/ LEC
 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service – Sanctuary
 12:00 p.m. Pizza with the Pastor
 12:00 p.m. Sunday School Training – Lower Kitchen/Cafe
 12:30 p.m. Fantasy Flight – Jr. High Gaming Event

Today, the Sunday School Pre-K through 5th Grade focused on:
 Jericho Was Conquered
 Joshua 2; 6

Monday, February 12

8:30 a.m. Monday Morning Crew
 6:30 p.m. Women’s Ministry Meeting – Room 131

Tuesday, February 13

7:00 p.m. Men’s Ministry Resolute Group – Room 131
 7:00 p.m. Sr. High Youth Group – Traveler’s Cafe

Wednesday, February 14

12:00 p.m. Bulletin announcement submission deadline
 6:30 p.m. AWANA
 6:30 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group – The Loft
 6:45 p.m. Men’s Ministry Stepping Up Group – Room 132/133
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary

Thursday, February 15

9:30 a.m. Mom’s Morning Out – Rooms 132/133
 6:30 p.m. Worship Rehearsal – Sanctuary

Friday, February 16

6:30 p.m. Women’s Coloring Night – CR 206

Saturday, February 17

9:00 a.m. Prayer Group – Library
 6:30 p.m. Jr./Sr. High Elm Creek Snow Tubing
 TBD PointMen Ice Fishing

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 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service – Sanctuary
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School/ LEC
 9:45 a.m. Lily Pad Meeting – CR 206
 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service – Sanctuary
 11:00 a.m. Mom’s Praying for Adult Children – Room 131
 12:00 p.m. CAYAC Lunch – Gym/Upper Kitchen

“Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.”
 2 Corinthians 5:17



8:30 Traditional Worship

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Hymns God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven (#4)
 For The Beauty of the Earth (#1)

Scripture Psalm 65

Choir Anthem Here I am, Lord

Hymn How Deep The Father’s Love For Us

Congregational Prayer

Offertory

Message Redeeming Mondays

Benediction

11:00 Contemporary Worship

Prelude

Call to Worship

Songs of Worship No Longer Slaves
 Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)
 Open Up Our Eyes

Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Offertory My Reward

Message Redeeming Mondays

Benediction

New to GracePoint? Meet the Pastor! – TODAY!

Sunday, February 11 | 9:30 a.m. or 12:00 p.m. | Conference Room

If you're new to GracePoint today or over the past few weeks/months, we invite you to join us for "Pastry with the Pastor" immediately following the Traditional Service, or "Pizza with the Pastor" immediately following the Contemporary Service. These brief sessions will take place in the Conference Room, just across the lobby from the Sanctuary. This is a chance for you to meet a pastor, find out more about GracePoint, and to ask questions!

Jr. High Fantasy Flight: Free Gaming Event – TODAY!

Sunday, February 11 | 12:30 – 5:00 p.m. | 1975 Co Rd B2W, Roseville

Stephen Smart | stephen.smart@exploregracepoint.com | 651.373.2301

Come join us for a fun afternoon of board or card games. Fantasy Flight has an extensive library of free games to rent and play. It has a store if you would like to buy a game. There is also a large area of tables to play the games and a cafeteria for food if you would like to purchase some. The event is free, but if you would like to shop or eat there, you will need money. We will leave from and return to church in our shuttle.

Women's Ministry Meeting

Friday, February 12 | 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. | Room 131

Cindy Erickson | laptopmommy@gmail.com | 952.463.0601

Please join us for a planning meeting for the coming year.

Sr. High Student Summer Missions Trip

July 28 – August 4, 2018 | Application Deadline is Tuesday, February 13

Nathan Miller | nathan.miller@exploregracepoint.com | 612.239.2936

This summer the Sr. High youth group will be going to Arecibo, Puerto Rico with YouthWorks! to help with poverty, homelessness and post-hurricane restoration. There are only 15 spots available and are being filled on a first-come, first-served basis, provided they meet all requirements. Applications (form available in the ExploreGracePoint App) must include a \$100 deposit. Total cost = \$1200. **Application deadline is Tuesday, February 13.** Please complete and send it, with deposit, to Nathan Miller. Contact Nathan with any questions.

Women's Coloring Night

Friday, February 16 | 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. | Rooms 132/133

Cindy Erickson | laptopmommy@gmail.com | 952.463.0601

Come join other women for a relaxing, fun night of fellowship as we explore adult coloring and Bible journaling. Bring your coloring books, pencils, crayons, markers, watercolors, books, etc. If you don't have any of these, don't worry, A limited amount of supplies will be made available. Please sign up at the Event Center.

PointMen – Love to go Ice-Fishing?

Saturday, February 17

Brad Byron | 763.516.2615

A group of PointMen are planning to do some ice fishing this coming Saturday. You're welcome to join us! Our tentative plan is to fish in the Chisago Lakes Area. A PointMen email will come out this week with more details. If interested, please give Brad Byron a call at the number above.

Jr. and Sr. High Elm Creek Tubing Night

Saturday, February 17 | 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. | Cost: \$18

Stephen Smart | stephen.smart@exploregracepoint.com | 651.373.2301

Nathan Miller | nathan.miller@exploregracepoint.com | 651.239.2936

Meet at church to leave at 6:30 p.m. and we will return at 9:30 p.m. All Jr. and Sr. High students, invite your friends and dress warmly for this exciting night of snow tubing. RSVP to Stephen's or Nathan's email. Snacks are available for purchase in the chalet house.

CAYAC Lunch

Sunday, February 18 | Noon | Gym

Next Sunday, our college age and young adult community is welcome to a free lunch right after the second service.

Women's Bible Study

Monday, February 19 | 6:45 – 8:45p.m. | Fellowship Hall/Cafe

Valerie Pahr | Valerie.pahr@q.com |

Through seven sessions of the study Discerning the Voice of God by Priscilla Shirer, you can discover the root to clear and daily communication with God—humble obedience. Sign up at the Event Center.

Day/Time: Every-other Monday, 6:45-8:30pm; Feb. 19 -- May 14; Fellowship Hall.

Content: Video-based & Bible-centered workbook. Videos are 35-45 minutes in length to prepare for the following weeks workbook lessons.

Expectation/Cost: Participate in the bi-weekly sessions and complete the workbook between sessions. Workbook included in cost of \$15.

Work as Worship Retreat

Friday, February 23 | 7:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. | \$25 (includes lunch)

Steve.Young@exploregracepoint.com | 651.633.7515 x3212

Many people spend a great deal of time at work and yet they don't see how their work intersects with their faith. The Work as Worship Retreat at GracePoint is a chance to spend a day interacting with, praying with, and encouraging fellow business leaders and workers. During this live stream event, you will hear rich content with biblical teaching and practical advice from seasoned Christian business owners and speakers. Register online via the Events tab in our ExploreGracePoint app, or go to workasworshipretreat.org.

VBS Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, March 4 | 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. | Gym

There are many ways you can support the children of VBS at the Pancake Breakfast on March 4. **Pray for the Children.** • Wish List Items. • **Register your children, friends, grandchildren.** • *Volunteer to help with VBS.* • **Eat Pancakes.** • Donate to keep registration costs low. Please note that LECs (adult Sunday School) will not be meeting on March 4.

THANK YOU from Community Support Center

The first ever "Sing for Our Neighbor's" Concert was held on January 28 at Abiding Savior Lutheran Church. Thank you to the GracePoint Choir for participating. We raised \$4,500 in donations. Thank you to all who gave so generously, Susan Peterson, GracePoint's Rep. on the CSC Board.

Coat Racks

Staff is requesting that attendees who are not families of young children and/or adults with limited mobility use coatrooms around the church other than the Lily Pad coatroom. This coatroom is reserved for families of young children or adults with limited mobility. We realize this might be somewhat inconvenient, but hopefully after some time, it will become a habit and our staff appreciate your understanding. Other coatrooms:

- On the south wall of the Café /Fellowship Hall near the back staircase
- By the Office
- Outside the Sanctuary behind the Global Partner map
- In the hallway near rooms 126/127

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.

GLOBAL PARTNER OF THE WEEK

Dan and Sarah Reeves

Dan and Sarah spent much time in prayer in recent months, seeking the Lord's guidance for where they should be and what they should be doing at this stage in their ministry. This time of prayer was followed by an open door for Dan to take a position as Director of Refugee Care for Alcansa, an international relief organization. In their previous work with Global Frontier Missions, they had frequent coordination



with Alcansa and other organizations working with the same refugee populations, and the Reeves feel this organization and position are the best fit for them. They leave GFM on very amicable terms. They will continue to be stationed in Richmond, VA, and will continue to seek to see the light of the Gospel shine in places where great compassion is needed, and where there is a unique opportunity to share the Gospel with people who may have never heard it in their home countries. Pray for the Reeves them as they minister Christ's love and compassion to people in distress and crisis. Pray for open hearts and minds. Pray for God to use the unique opportunity of refugee populations here in the U.S. to spread the good news of salvation in Christ.

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



Council Member Candidates

For the 2018 Annual Election

From the Nominating Committee:

The election of four GracePoint Church Council members is scheduled to take place as part of the Annual Election to be held after services on March 11, with absentee ballots being available on March 4. The five members of the Church Council to be elected this year are Deacon of Finance, Deacon of Welcome & Membership, Deacon of Hospitality, Deacon of Property Management and Moderator.

The candidates are as follows:

Deacon of Finance:	Fred Williams Dean Engstrom
Deacon of Welcome & Membership:	Rick Eckert Kris Halverson Sandi Benz
Deacon of Hospitality:	Haley Thannum
Deacon of Property Management:	Jeff Port
Moderator:	None (at this time)

The Nominating Committee continues to identify and invite others to place their names in nomination for any of these offices. **Until March 3, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. any member of the congregation may nominate any eligible person(s) for these offices to the Nominating Committee, provided that those persons have previously given their consent.** These persons will be strongly considered by the Nominating Committee, in consultation with the pastor, for inclusion on the ballot.

Nominating Committee Members: Brad Byron, Pat Comfort, Colleen Downham, Dan Jankowski, Merri Johnson, Liz Johnston, Rick Naylor, Andrew Schock, and Shirlee Vennerstrom

Deacon of Finance Candidates



Fred Williams

I have attended GracePoint with my family since September 2002 and became a member a few years ago. I have worked in Finance & Accounting for over 20 years. Also, I served as the Finance Officer for the Monrovia Evangelical Church (Monrovia, Liberia) a few years before immigrating to the US.

I don't have a favorite Bible verse, but I love Matthew 4:4 "..... Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."

My wife Catherine and I have loved each other for over 30 years, but have been married just over 21 years. She was a high schooler and I was a freshman in college when we met. We have been blessed with 4 children: Abenego, Felicia, Nick, and Fredrick. I work as an Accountant and enjoy reading and writing when I am less busy.



Dean Engstrom

I have been attending GracePoint Church for 28 years and have served in various capacities including Sunday School Teacher, Audit Committee, Nominating Committee, Golf Committee, Nursery Worker, and helping with the Youth Group. A favorite Bible verse of mine is 1 Peter 2: 9-10.

I am married; my wife Carol and I have raised our three children at GracePoint (Mark, Becca, and Peter). I have worked in Accounting and Finance roles my entire career. Currently I am at Abbott on their product rationalization team. I have an undergraduate degree in Accounting from Northwestern University and an MBA from Bethel University. In my free time I enjoy cheering on the Vikings, Wild, Twins, Wolves, Gophers and Royals. I also enjoy, playing golf, broomball, softball, and tennis.

Deacon of Welcome & Membership Candidates

Rick Eckert

Picture and short Bio not available



Kris Halverson

I have been a member of GracePoint for over 10 years. While at GracePoint, I have connected with people through various opportunities the church offers. These include serving in AWANA as a teacher, being a regular attender in LEC groups and serving as a ChristCare leader and Equipper for ten years. Presently, I volunteer as a lead greeter once a month as well as in the Events Center. Due to those various exposures to members of the congregation, regular attenders

as well as visitors, I am interested in serving on the council as the Welcome and Membership Deacon. My desire is that everyone that God has called to GracePoint will feel welcome here. Favorite Bible verses – Proverbs 3:5-6.

I am a semi-retired Minneapolis Public School teacher working as a math coach and interventionist at a primary school site. I have two grown daughters and am expecting my first grandchild in April. I have always been interested in music and the arts, exercising, science, nature and long walks with family or friends.



Sandi Benz

My husband, Fred, and I have attended Salem/GracePoint for 31 years! We have two daughters, Kimberly and Kelly, and one son, Ryan.

I work part-time in retail and my husband is a chiropractor and a drummer with the Worship Team!

My previous involvement with GracePoint includes:

- Designed-created 3 Floats for the New Brighton

Stockyard Days in which GracePoint WON First Place, three years in a row!

- Presented a new name for Salem-which is now GracePoint Church.
- Participated-Decorated and have been part of several GracePoint Events!
- I also served as Worship Deacon when Salem Baptist!

We both love SERVING & BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD by connecting and reaching out to others.

“REJOICE in the Lord always.” ~ Philippians 4:4

Deacon of Hospitality Candidate



Haley Thannum

I have been attending GracePoint since 2012 with my husband, Nate. The Hospitality Deacon is an important role in the church community in bringing people into spaces where community is made. I am interested in creating experiences where people can grow and be included in GracePoint's community. Currently at GracePoint I serve as a ChristCare Leader, Senior High Youth Group Leader, and do

PowerPoint on Sundays once a month. My favorite Bible verse is Psalm 143:8, "Tell me in the morning about your love, because I trust you. Show me what I should do, because my prayers go up to you."

My husband and I have been married for almost 3 years and have a little dog named Presso. I work at the Saint Paul Area Chamber of Commerce as the Manager of Marketing and Communications. I'm currently hooked on the show This Is Us and I enjoy spending time with friends, and reading a good book.

Moderator Candidate

There are no candidates for the Moderator position at this time.

Deacon of Property Management Candidate



Jeff Port

My wife and I have attended Gracepoint since 1993. We had a brief hiatus in the late 1990s and early 2000s as work took our family to Kansas. I previously served as Property Management Deacon prior to our move to Kansas as well as helping out with children's ministry including the AWANA programs. Currently, we help out periodically with the café on Sunday mornings. I have been looking for ways to

serve and am willing to do so on the council if elected. One of my favorite verses is Psalm 24:1 'The earth is the LORD'S, and all it contains, the world, and those who dwell in it.' As an ecologist, this is an important reminder to me that not only is God the creator but all I have is a gift from God.

I have been married to my wife Sue for 28 years. We have two boys, Josh and Zack who have grown into young men now establishing lives of their own. I teach ecology and biology at Bethel University and have been there since 2001. My wife and I like to travel and have had the opportunity to lead groups of students during January to Ecuador and Kenya in recent years. In my spare time, I enjoy woodworking, sports, and outdoor activities.