

# 2024 PASTORAL REPORT

***"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."***

**Matthew 5:14-16 NIV**

<https://bible.com/bible/111/mat.5.14-16.NIV>

**There are four areas of Grace I am led to celebrate and highlight:**

**Worship; Education; Small Groups; Outreach**

**Praise God for everyone serving the Lord in these connected areas of Grace.**

**Worship takes place in many and various ways, in our building and through out God's creation. The basic purpose of worship is praising and gathering together for God. Offerings to God are shared in confession, prayer, songs, sacrament, and God's presence is real.**

**Education is being led by God's wisdom and understanding to be built up in the Body of Christ. Teachers and students brought together growing in Faith.**

**Small Groups are whenever two or three or more people are gathered together in Christ's name serving our Lord together. Everyone is being called into small group ministry. Not anyone of us should be in every small group of Grace.**

**Outreach is God's presence from the beginning through the Day of the Lord proclaiming God's presence. Some of us are called to local outreach and some of us are called to various parts of God's creation.**

**These areas of Grace include every aspect of our church. Worship, education, small groups, and outreach are wonderfully together in the many activities of Grace.**

**Celebrate in Hope,**

**Gregory Clagg**

**Pastor**

