

Grace Notes

April 28, 2019

Mission Statement

To draw people to Christ,
nourish their spirits, and
prepare them for service to God,
the Church, and the world.

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, April 28

Family Promise/WIHN Guests Arrive

- 8:30 am Worship Service
- 9:30 am Fellowship Time
- 9:45 am Prospective Members Class
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Fellowship Time
- 10:30 am Chancel Choir
- 11:00 am Worship Service

Monday, April 29

- 5:30 pm Boot Camp

Tuesday, April 30

- 6:30 pm Basketball

Wednesday, May 1

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 11:30 am Gentle Yoga Class
- 5:00 pm Family Dinner
- 5:30 pm Boot Camp
- 5:45 pm Grace 3:16 Bible Study (gr. 6-12)
- 5:45 pm Sonbeams Bible Play (pre-K-gr. 2)
- 5:45 pm Sonshine Singers & Solid Rock Singers
- 6:15 pm Grace Ringers
- 6:30 pm High School Hot Topics (gr. 9-12)
- 6:30 pm Kids for Christ Bible Study (gr. 3-5)
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, May 2

- 12:00 pm Welcome Table

Sunday, May 5

- 8:30 am Worship Service/Holy Communion
- 9:30 am Fellowship Time
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Fellowship Time
- 10:30 am Chancel Choir
- 11:00 am Worship Service/Holy Communion

Date Change for UMW in May

Saturday, May 18, 10:00 am
Bullock Activity Center

Special Speaker: Mrs. Martha Worsley, Harbor District Vice President and a missionary to Haiti. She takes sewing machines to Haiti and teaches women how to sew.

We'll also have more information about our missions, locally, nationally and internationally.

Lunch will be catered. The cost is \$10/person. The menu will include a variety salads (pasta, green, fruit), rolls, strawberry shortcake and tea. Because it will be catered, you will need to sign-up on the bulletin board in the Welcome Center.

Please invite your friends and encourage other women at Grace to attend.

Grace UMC Scholarships

Scholarship applications are now available in the church office in the 'scholarship mailbox'. Scholarships are for those pursuing higher education who are active Grace members or persons who actively attend Grace. Scholarships are not available to relatives who do not attend Grace UMC.

All completed applications are due in the church office by Sunday, May 5th. The scholars committee will meet shortly thereafter to discuss the applications.

If you have any questions, please contact Julie Crow at julieocrow@yahoo.com

Prayer Requests

Please pray for comfort and healing for the following people:

If you have a prayer request, please contact Pastor Patricia at patricia@gracedowntown.net. In order to keep the prayer list current, names will be kept on the list for 4 weeks and then removed, unless you instruct us otherwise.

Wayne Blalock	Jessica Martin
Linden Boone	Ann Nielson
Bruce Celeto	Vincent Pino
Alfredia Dorm	Maggie Potts
Alice Edwards	Phillip Reeson
Ann Eilert	Mike Schildt
Mary & Alan Engebretson	Jimmie Shuffler
Erin	Family of Betty Singletary
Ian Flaherly	Frank Steele
George Gardner	Pam Stoehr
Catherine Leigh Gold	Mary Tartt
Linda Harris	John West
Laura Howard	Madison Williams
Hilda Jones	Gary Wrenn
Wesley Makin	Family of Dana Zigler

Please keep the following military persons in your prayers:

Maj. Jeffery Bernard, USA
LCpl. John Capwell, USMC
Sgt. Tim Cobaugh, USMC
Maj. Tim Collins, USMC
Col. John Delaney, USA
E5 William Chase Dubel, USA
WO3 Jonathan Finch, USA Reserve
E3 Caylen Folmar, USAF
E3 Taylor Folmar, USN
Sgt. Alex Gifford, USMC
Capt. Jason T. Hill, USAF
SFC Letty Long, USA
SFC Woodrow Long, USA
Capt. Benjamin Mabee, USMC
LCDR Nicholas Madren, USN
SSg. Emily Olinger, USAF
Pvt. Steven Patterson
Maj. Brian Potts, USMC
LCDR Kevin Ringelstein, USN
Lt. Col. Amy Moore Russo, USAF
Capt. Brandon Showers, USMC
AB Michael Sloan, USAF

Special Sewing Day at Grace

On Tuesday, May 7, 10:00 am in the Bullock Activity Center. We will be sewing dresses for young girls in Haiti.

Thanks to Diane Lynch, we have been blessed to receive yards of pretty fabric and a pattern for "pillowcase dresses".

We need folks who can sew, or cut out dresses from the pattern or press the dresses. Bring your sewing machine, scissors, and iron and come enjoy a morning of good fellowship as we serve the Lord by providing pretty dresses and the love of Jesus to those less fortunate.



Please check the appropriate box or boxes and place in the offering plate.

- Would like to join Grace United Methodist Church.**
 - Need Grace UMC name tag(s).**
 - Change of address, phone number, or email.**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Outside The Walls Of Grace

- Ms. Jones is a 90-year-old lady living in an 80-year-old house. During Hurricane Florence a large tree blew over next to her house, it didn't hit the house, but a large limb did go through the kitchen roof and ceiling. Shingles blew off another part of the roof and rain damaged the ceiling in the living room.
- Ms. Bell's roof started leaking during the storm and ruined the insulation, the ceiling, and the walls in two rooms were water logged.
- Ms. Thomson had insulation, ceilings, walls, and floors ruined from the leaking roof.

All these homes and others were repaired by teams from North Carolina and West Virginia that were housed at Grace while doing the repairs. Grace provided the teams with living quarters, shower facilities, meals (provided by Sunday School classes, UMW, individuals and the Welcome Table), and tools, where needed. The materials to repair these homes were provided by donations to the Grace Hurricane Florence Disaster Relief fund.

Thank you to all that have donated, helped with plans, and graciously welcomed the teams to our church and our community. Most importantly, we would like to thank the visiting team members that gave of their time, their gifts, and their service.

The tasks of repairing homes in Wilmington is far from over. The North Carolina Methodist Conference has recently; assigned a site manager, case managers, construction managers, provided office space and the funds to continue the efforts to put Wilmington back to normal. Grace is included in this continuing effort. We will be continuing to provide housing for the out of town teams, home repair assessments, and arranging for case management. Grace will also provide tools to the teams that couldn't bring tools with them.

Thanks to all the members of Grace for your continuing support to provide the love and good news of Christ outside the walls of Grace United Methodist Church.

If you would like more information, please contact Larry Phipps, 910-550-6567.

ONE THING

Job Well Done Grace Church! You completed the *ONE THING* challenge from Easter to Easter and made a huge impact on your community!

You provided laundry money, laundry detergent, sugar, toys, school supplies, cookies, household supplies, gift cards, socks, and decorated and placed inspirational rocks!

Every job well done deserves a respite. We'll take a *ONE THING* break for the Summer and pick back up in the Fall. Rest up and be ready!

Classes Open to Grace Congregation

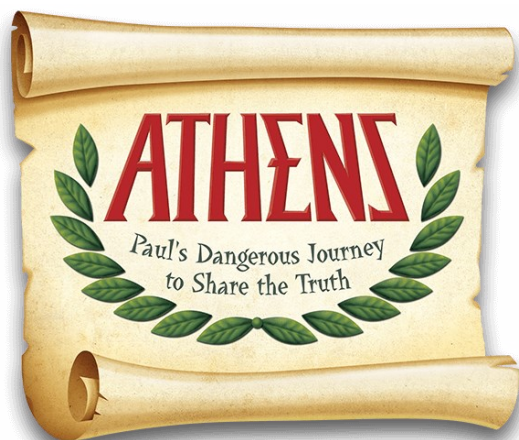
Grace's Stephen Ministry Program invites anyone who is interested to join their training sessions during April and May on end-of-life issues. Sessions run from 7-8 pm, in Room E201. Please use the sign-up sheets on the Welcome Center bulletin board.

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| May 6 | Legal Issue | Kara Gansmann
Cranfill, Sumner & Hertzog |
| May 20 | Hospice | Jason Clamme
Lower Cape Fear Hospice |

May Birthdays

5/1 Chuck McCarthy Gary Atwell Frank Henry 5/2 Ben Steelman 5/4 Emma Walsh 5/5 Debbie Snider 5/7 April Lester 5/8 Wayne Blalock David Miller	5/11 Bob Hardyman Brooke Baldrige Alana Rowe Jan Allen 5/12 Debbie Cole Sally Barnes 5/13 Vicki Alexander Marion Little 5/15 Maria Tuttle	5/16 Barry Hartzell 5/17 David Russ 5/18 Elizabeth Hyde Laurie Burrous 5/24 Laura Patterson Ernie Allen 5/25 James Ross 5/26 Brian Tuttle 5/27 Darlene Troup	5/29 Valoree Shinn Sam Stephens 5/30 Jamie High
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Vacation Bible School 2019



SAVE THE DATES!

Sunday, June 23 - Friday, June 28

5:30 - 7:30 pm

More details coming soon!

Graduation Basket

It is the custom at Grace to celebrate the graduation of our high school seniors with a gift basket of items to help them start their college life. This year we have one graduate.

Grace Dunmire is the daughter Joe and Laura Dunmire and will be attending University of North Carolina Wilmington.

The Nurture Committee has placed a basket decorated with UNCW colors in the Welcome Center. Some suggested items are towels, shower caddy, laundry detergent, dryer sheets, school supplies, microwave popcorn, gift cards (i.e. Walmart, Target, gas cards), or anything else you think would be helpful.

The basket will be presented to Grace during Fellowship Time on Sunday, May 19, during Fellowship Time. Everyone is invited to come and wish Grace well.

Support Grace's Fair Trade Project

Equal Exchange Coffee

to be served during Fellowship Time on

Sunday, May 5

A table will also be set up in the Welcome Center for the sale of Equal Exchange/Fair Trade products of coffee, tea and chocolate. These items are available for sale on a continuing basis at the steps leading to Walsh Hall.

Equal Exchange is a US co-op that provides small-scale farmer co-ops across the globe with fair trade prices for their products sold in the US. It also donates a portion of sales back to faith partners, such as the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). Equal Exchange is a ministry of Grace UMC>

LOOKING AHEAD AT GRACE

Sunday, June 23—Friday, June 28 - **2019 Vacation Bible School - Athens**: Paul's Dangerous Journey to Share the Truth

Sunday, Aug. 11-Sunday, Aug. 18 - **Host Family Promise/WIHN**

Saturday, September 7, 8:30 am-2:30 pm - **Annual Chancel Choir Retreat**

Sunday, October 20 - **Youth and Children's Sunday**

Sunday, October 27 - **Grace Annual Fall Festival**

Sunday, November 10 - **Grace Homecoming**

Sunday, December 1-Sunday, December 8 - **Host Family Promise/WIHN**