

Grace Notes

August 11, 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, August 11

Family Promise Week Starts

- 8:30 am Worship Service
- 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
- 5:00 pm Open Board of Trustees Meeting

Monday, August 12

- 5:30 pm Boot Camp
- 6:30 pm Youth Basketball
- 6:30 pm Finance Committee Meeting

Tuesday, August 13

- 9:30 am KnitWerks@Panera/Independance
- 6:00 pm Basketball
- 6:00 pm Staff Parish Relations Committee

Wednesday, August 14

- 9:30 am Movie Morning
- 10:00 am Coastal Horizons Seminar (outside group)
- 11:30 am Gentle Yoga Class
- 4:30 pm Worship Committee Meeting
- 5:30 pm Bootcamp
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 15

- 12:00 pm Welcome Table

Sunday, August 18

Family Promise Week Concludes

- 8:30 am Worship Service
- 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
- 3:00 pm Grace: Dementia Friendly Worship

Open Trustee Meeting

The Board of Trustees is holding an open meeting on **TODAY**, August 11, 5 pm, to discuss the on-going restoration of the Grace facilities to fix storm damage. Anyone interested in hearing about the rebuild is invited.

To complete the rebuild, we will need between \$260,000 and \$400,000 out of pocket. Thanks to the support of the \$20 Fellowship program, we have \$376,000 in hand.

Decisions will have to be made on how much we want to draw down these reserves, knowing that other building related needs will always be coming up.

New Movie Mornings

The schedule for the three remaining Movie Mornings is below. Everyone who is interested, men or women, are invited to come.

Wednesday, August 14, 9:30 am
Treasures of the Second Temple

Tuesday, August 20, 9:30 am
The Hope—miraculous events that lead to the re-birth of Israel; a docudrama.

Tuesday, August 27, 9:30 am
Ilanot—the trees of Israel

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.

Alexis	Dianne Lynch
Alan Biddle	Jessica Martin
Gail Braun	Jeffrey Morefield
Claudia Burnette	Linda Pfister
Bruce Celeto	Nancy Pritchett
Danielle Cupps	Noah Roberts
Jeff Cupps	Jack Ross, Jr.
Zach DeForge	Joe Skobel
Catherine Leigh Gold	Cozette Southerland
Jenna	Ed Threlkeld
Maria King	Dennis Troup
Ryan Layton	Janet Williams
Family of Barbara Lyon	

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
E2 Hadden Scott Dubel, USN
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
Cpl. Chase Krieg, USMC
SFC Letty Long, USA
SFC Woodrow Long, USA
Capt. Benjamin Mabee, USMC
LCDR Nicholas Madren, USN
SSg. Emily Olinger, USAF
Pvt. Steven Patterson
LCDR Kevin Ringelstein, USN
Lt. Col. Amy Moore Russo, USAF
Capt. Brandon Showers, USMC
AB Michael Sloan, USAF
Capt. Robert Stockman, USMC
E2 Cassie Wenz, USMC

Sunday, August 18, 3:00 pm

Grace: Dementia Friendly Worship

This special worship service will include many, old familiar hymns, a short message, and familiar Scripture readings. The purpose of this service is to minister to those with Alzheimer and other forms of dementia, their caregivers and families. Everyone is invited to participate.

Please invite friends and family that you think would enjoy this service. Notices are being sent to the District Office and other churches in the area.

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: _____

Baby Basket

The Nurture Committee has placed a beautiful baby basket in the Welcome Center to welcome one of the youngest additions to the Grace Church extended family. You are invited to place a useful baby item in the basket, which will be presented to the family on **Sunday, August 25**, during 10:30 am Fellowship Time.

Tanner Lane McCarty
Born July 30, 2019
Son of Tyler & Nicole McCarty



Nicole has been on Grace's staff for two years as a teacher for the children on Sunday mornings. She and her family will be relocating to Charlotte, NC soon with Tyler's new job. They will be missed.

Marriage Tune-Up

To go along with the new Sunday Night Family Ministries programs, Pastor Tal will hold a 3-session adult course called "Marriage Tune-Up".

The classes will start at 5:20 pm and last about an hour each. The dates are September 15, 22 and 29.

Among the topics covered will be:

- Moving from falling in love to being in love for the long haul
- How to argue well
- Staying connected during the busy years

Come take a look at what makes marriages strong. Childcare will be offered through the Children's Ministry programs.

Stewardship Committee Meeting

The Committee will meet on Monday, August 26, 6 pm. The team will continue work on the 2020 New Consecration Stewardship Campaign for February.

Grace Name Tags

Everyone is reminded to please wear your Grace name tags on Sunday mornings. If you don't have a name tag or need a new one, please fill out the tear-off on the top of the next page and place it in the offering plate.

Thanks!

Calling all knitters.....

from beginners to advanced, join us for coffee, maybe lunch, and good conversation while working on prayer shawls.

KnitWerks@Panera
Aug. 13, 9:30 am
(2nd Tuesday of every month)
Panera at Independence Mall



If you have questions, please contact Bettye Broadwater, 686-5520 or albetvol63@gmail.com

ATTENTION!!

Students, Teachers, Aides,
Administrators, Office Staff,
Cafeteria Workers, Bus Drivers

Please be present at either worship service on **Sunday, August 25**, as we shower you with blessings and prayers for the new school year.

Bring your backpack, schoolbag, briefcase or just yourself, so we may acknowledge your work. All that you do to serve our community shows your love and willingness to follow Christ example. We want to recognize that and give you a reminder that God always has your back and so does your family at Grace.

Save the Date!

Cinderella's Closet Fundraiser

A Masquerade Ball

Saturday, February 8, 2020
Brooklyn Arts Center



Grace on Social Media

Grace's Social Media Manager, Olivia Walsh, is busy assessing our website and social media presence to best serve the church's needs and to attract others to this community of Christians.

Grace is no long on Twitter, but is now on Instagram! The username is:

Graceumcdowntown

She will also be working on Grace's website to keep it up-to-date with events, services, ministries, etc. If you have information for a specific committee, group, class, etc., please send it to:

Olivia@gracedowntown.net

Family Promise/Interfaith

Grace needs your help for hosting WIHN families! August is here and two families will be with us August 11th -18th ! They are two of the three families we hosted last time. Despite people having jobs, low income housing is nearly impossible to find; so many are staying longer in the program. We have a mother and 15 month old and a mother and 3 month old, plus the grandmother! That makes 3 adults and 2 small children.

I am so excited that our trustees have had ALL the rugs upstairs cleaned and they look fabulous! Good enough to put a baby down on them!!!

These are our current needs for volunteers:

Dinner Hosts: Friday night at 6 pm. Dinner hosts provide the meal (for 3 adults), serve it and stay and eat, serving as hosts. Then, with the help of the families or on your own, you clean the area and make it ready for the next evening meal. If you want to host and serve a meal, you may also submit a menu. We try to not duplicate the meals (at least not 2 days in a row!).

Overnight Hosts: 7:45pm-6am on Sunday, Monday and Friday nights. These folks stay on pretty comfortable blow up mattresses in upstairs rooms to be available should families need them (I have never been called on in the night, just FYI). Often these wonderful folks drive the families in the WIHN van to the Day Center at 6 am if needed.

If you are able to fill one or more of these positions, please contact Jane Spicer using the link below.
jdspicer@ec.rr.com

UMW Visitation Team

This ministry was started several years ago to remain connected to UMW members who could no longer attend Grace. Today, our visitation team visits not just UMW members, but all women from Grace church. Our mission: Visit once per month, encourage conversation, and keep a connection to Grace.

Members are paired in teams of two and follow a schedule of who to connect with each month. It is a one-afternoon commitment per month. Visitors call ahead to schedule a date and time for the visit. Beautiful handmade cards and Upper Room devotional magazines are available to take on the visits. These are distributed each month at the daytime UMW meeting, or placed in the visitation box in the church office for pickup.

For many reasons, some of our faithful members have had to leave the team. **We are in need of some new members!**

Please prayerfully consider joining our group for this chance to bring your personality and gifts of service to these dear ladies who are often home bound or in a nursing facility. The Team will hold its fall organizational on Thursday, August 29, 10:30 am, in the church parlor. Please contact me or any of the UMW leadership team, for further information.

Blessings and thanks to all our team and new members!

Pat Thomas: 910-7912908 clementine_17@yahoo.com or Text to 910-512-0683

LOOKING AHEAD AT GRACE

Sunday, August 18, 3:00 pm - **Grace: Dementia Friendly Worship**

Saturday, August 24 - **Elementary School Age Lock-In at Grace**

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

Sunday, September 8, 9:45 am - **New Sunday School Year Starts**

Sunday, September 8 - **Back-to-School Skate Party** at Scooter's Skating Rink

Sunday, September 15, 5:00-6:30 pm - **Children, Youth & Family Night Program Year Kick-Off**

Sunday, October 6, 4:00 pm - **Joint Worship with St. Stephen AME Church** at Grace

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

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

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

Saturday, February 8, 2020 - **Cinderella's Closet Fundraiser - A Masquerade Ball** at the Brooklyn Arts Center