

# Grace Notes

August 18, 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 18

- 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

#### Monday, August 19

- 5:30 pm Boot Camp
- 5:30 pm Lay Leadership Committee
- 6:30 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision Meeting
- 7:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting
- 7:15 pm Cape Fear Chorale Rehearsal

#### Tuesday, August 20

- 9:30 am Movie Morning
- 10:00 am Le Leche League
- 6:00 pm Basketball
- 6:30 pm Administrative Council Meeting

#### Wednesday, August 21

- 9:30 am UMW Leadership Team
- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 11:30 am Gentle Yoga Class
- 5:30 pm Bootcamp
- 6:30 pm Community Relations Team Meeting
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, August 22

- 12:00 pm Welcome Table

#### Friday, August 23

- 1:00 pm Staff Mother Hubbard's Cupboard

#### Saturday, August 24

- Elementary School Kid's Lock-In

#### Sunday, August 25

- 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

### New Movie Mornings

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

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

TODAY, 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.

### 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](mailto: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.

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	Mary Shupping
Catherine Leigh Gold	Joe Skobel
Jenna	Cozette Southerland
Maria King	Ed Threlkeld
Ryan Layton	Dennis Troup
Dianne Lynch	Janet Williams

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

### 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.

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.

### Community Relations Team Meeting

The Team will meet on Wednesday, August 21, 6:30 pm in the Church Office.

### Stepping Up: A Journey Through the Psalms of Ascent by Beth Moore

Ladies, join us for the fall Women's Bible Study

#### **NEW DAY: Thursday**

This 7-week study begins on September 19 and ends on October 31. It will meet in the Church Parlor, 9:30-11:30 am.

The cost will be approximately \$15.00 for the student book. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Welcome Center. Please sign up so we'll know how many books to order. NOTE: This study was done several years ago, so you might already have this book at home. Please indicate on the sheet if you already have a book.

We all may want to stay after the study to have lunch at the Welcome Table in the Bullock Activity!

Come join us as we study Psalms 120 through 134. Any questions: Call Linda Russ 910-520-3111 or Linda Snider 910-620-3756

### 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 longer 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

### Gentle Yoga Still in Session

A reminder that our Gentle Yoga class is still meeting Wednesday's at 11:30 am in the gym. Everyone is invited to come join the class. Beginners welcome! The cost is \$5 per class.



*Save the Date!*

*Cinderella's Closet Fundraiser*

*A Masquerade Ball*

Saturday, February 8, 2020  
Brooklyn Arts Center



## 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**

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