

Grace Notes

April 21, 2024

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 21

8:30 am Worship Service
9:45 am Sunday School
10:30 am Chancel Choir
11:00 am Worship Service
4:00 pm WAVES

Monday, April 22

9:00 am Grace In Motion
10:00 am Basketball (seniors)
4:00 pm Basketball (Lion Heart)
5:30 pm Basketball (youth)
7:15 pm Cape Fear Chorale

Tuesday, April 23

9:00 am Organist Practice
9:00 am Bible Study
5:30 pm Bootcamp
6:30 pm Basketball (youth)

Wednesday, April 24

10:00 am Yoga
10:00 am Staff Meeting
4:00 pm Basketball (Lion Heart)
4:00 pm Organist Practice
6:00 pm Special Olympics BB
6:15 pm Grace Ringers
7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 25

10:00 am Basketball (seniors)
5:30 pm Bootcamp
6:30 pm Basketball

Friday, April 26

9:00 am Grace in Motion
9:00 am Organist Practice

Sunday, April 28

8:30 am Worship Service
9:45 am Sunday School
10:30 am Chancel Choir
11:00 am Worship Service
4:00 PM WAVES

In-person/Online Attendance & Offering for 4/14/2024

In-person Worship Service:

8:30 am	29
11:00 am	163
online	52

Operating Funds Given	\$	13,911
Budget receipts needed weekly	\$	15,634
Building Preservation Given	\$	805

Apportionments paid through March

March financial report

Building YTD Preservation Fund Receipts	\$	22,161
Building YTD Preservation Fund Expenses	\$	46
Balance	\$	22,115

Budget YTD Receipts	\$	215,958
Expenses YTD (2024)	\$	191,936
Balance Receipts vs Expenses	\$	24,022

On-line Sunday Worship Services Continue

This is the link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAK2Z36cUQ1JzE6Ye7TzcGg>

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Checks may also be mailed to the address above.

The 2020 General Conference is upon us!

(Wait. Did I read that right?) Yes, the COVID-19 pandemic disrupted lots of things and the aforementioned conference where United Methodist delegates from across the world gather is finally happening in Charlotte, NC, April 23 - May 3, 2024. You can read more about this quadrennial gathering in the link below, and in the interim – for the next couple of weeks – pray for the United Methodist Church that we will be renewed by the Spirit to listen and follow Jesus where he leads.

<https://www.umc.org/en/content/2020-general-conference-in-2024>

Divine Grace Women's Group April Social.

When: Thursday, April 25th, 6:00 pm

Where: Rucker John's Restaurant
5564 Carolina Beach Rd.
Wilmington, NC 28412

Please RSVP to Mary Tyndall,
mary@gracedowntown.net,
by April 23rd to secure an
accurate headcount for the
restaurant.



See you then!

Let's Take A Trip

We have a wonderful 14-passenger bus that is ready to travel. Would you be interested in planning some new adventures for all to enjoy? Many churches and subdivisions have groups that take day trips. Our church needs some fun outings like this. If someone would find this job interesting please let me know at: dtyndall@bellsouth.net.

We are also interested in having more drivers available. To drive, there is just a quick test showing ability to back up and turn around, then information gets submitted to the church insurance. We will start with day trips that won't keep our drivers too busy. Thanks to those who already drive for us!

Please consider one of these positions and contact me with any questions. Let's put our bus on the road and have some fun!

—Darlene Tyndall

Summer Mission Trip

This summer our youth have the opportunity to serve on a mission trip in Gatlinburg Tennessee. We are so excited for this trip as we continue to learn what it's like to serve others. We are currently looking for individuals or Sunday school classes that would like to help sponsor us on our trip to help make this trip possible. Come see us at our youth table in the Welcome Center to talk and learn more about it. We truly appreciate all the generosity showed to the future of Grace UMC. — Jada Martinez

William Carter Ballard
 Dan Barnes
 Alan Broadwater
 Lindsey Brown
 Kitty Eure
 Family of Eleanor Gerganous
 Martin Ginocchio
 Maxine LeFever
 Kristi Midgett
 Family of Charles Palmer
 Bill Perks
 Tom Powers

Dick Raim
 Carolyn Stokley
 Peggy Utterback
 Becky Whisnant
 Jeff Wilson
 Dean Windgassen
 Anne Wolling
 Stephanie Woodward
 Caregivers everywhere
 Unspoken, in our hearts
 War-torn Countries

Prayer Requests

Please keep the following military persons in your prayers:

ETNC Anthony Augustine, USN	Maj. Jason T. Hill, USSF
Cpl. Matthew Brin, USA	SFC Letty Long, USA
LCpl. John Capwell, USMC	Capt. Benjamin Mabee, USMC
Sgt. Tim Cobaugh, USMC	PFC Schuyler Marshall, USA
Col. John Delaney, USA	SSgt. Emily Olinger, USAF
Ltjg. Elizabeth Downing, USN	Pvt. Steven Patterson, USA
E3 Hadden Scott Dubel, USN	SSgt. James Pritchett, USA
E6 William Chase Dubel, USA	CDR Kevin Ringelstein, USN
E3 Caylen Folmar, USAF	Capt. Brandon Showers, USMC
E3 Taylor Folmar, USN	Capt. Robert Stockman, USMC
Sgt. Alex Gifford, USMC	Michael Tate, USA
SFC Woodrow Long, USA	E2 Cassie Wenz, USMC



If you have a prayer request, please contact Marilee Tremlett at mtrem3@icloud.com.

Thank you from Cinderella's Closet!

The Cinderella's Closet committee would like to thank all Grace members for their support during this prom shopping season. Being able to easily hold our events on the second floor has been a real blessing for us and allowed us to offer two shopping event weekends to the community. Also a big thanks to all the members who volunteered and supported us at the gala as well. We want to share with you a note (box below) from one mother of a girl who attended the March event - it is because of Grace that we are able to serve the community and help families with these important life events so thank you! —Hope Inman



Thank you!

“Thank you for such an incredible experience for my daughter, Emma Negron. From the beautiful selection of dresses to our amazing “fairy godmother” to the fantastic seamstresses who altered her dress to perfection, every part of the process was a GIFT!

The past year and half have been full of pain for us, first with losing my husband unexpectedly in July 2022, followed by my breast cancer diagnosis in June 2023. I've felt very guilty that my daughter has had to grow up way too fast due to these events and has missed out on many of the highlights of her high school years. When she saw this dress, it brought back some of that childhood innocence again for her. She had so much fun going to the homeschool CHEW prom with friends, and you all literally made her feel like a princess. What you are doing MATTERS! It blessed our family in ways money can never buy. Thank you.”

News from the Bishop's Office

Bishop Shelton Announces New Conference Staff Beginning in July:

<https://nccumc.org/bishop/2024/04/bishop-shelton-announces-new-conference-staff-appointments-beginning-july-2024/>

Bishop Shelton Announces New Cabinet Appointments Beginning in July:

<https://nccumc.org/bishop/2024/03/bishop-shelton-announces-new-cabinet-appointments-beginning-july-2024/>

Or go to: <https://nccumc.org/> and then look for the Bishop's Office and latest updates.

Time to help with Migrant Worker Bags

As many of you know, it is that time of year for UWF to make and assemble the Migrant Worker bags. This ministry is an important phase of our outreach to North Carolina migrant workers. These bags are made from one yard of heavy fabric with a draw string and contain personal toiletries for the workers. Below you will find a list of items that are needed. We also can take donations and do the shopping for you. Thank you in advance for your help and contributions to this worthy mission.

IMPORTANT: Please use REGULAR size products, not travel sized. Put items in the box marked migrant workers in the Welcome Center. We are also collecting long sleeved shirts. They can be always be used, so it is a great time to clean out closets.

- 1 yard lengths (any standard width) of heavy fabric
- Single package toothbrushes with container
- Toothpaste
- Dental floss
- Soap and soap dish with cover
- New bath towel and washcloth
- Disposable razors
- Deodorant
- Shampoo
- Hand (body) cream or lotion
- Comb and brush
- Safety pins
- Band-aids
- Metal nail file

Any questions, please contact Dianna Florea at: 910 398-8790.

“In His Steps” camp coming back in June

A FREE summer camp for RISING K through 12th grade girls will be



offered again on June 22nd with the help of Grace UMC. This camp will be filled with learning some awesome dance moves and how to have fun in our joy in Christ. We hope you can help spread the word.

Founder Donna Smith said she wants to create a safe environment where all girls are appreciated no matter how they look, their size, economic status or how skilled they actually are at dance. Smith said the camps provide girls with a place to learn about self-worth and how to apply Biblical lessons to their lives.

The summer camps are led by volunteers who love teaching and spending time with the girls. Each camp includes dance and devotions about relevant issues the girls may be facing.

To check out more info about the camps and this ministry, go to their website at www.ihsdance.com, email at: info@ihsdance.com, call 704.650.4089 or log onto facebook.com/ihsdance.