

Grace Notes

January 28, 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, January 28

- 8:30 am Worship Service
- 9:45 am Prospective New Members/Parlor
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Chancel Choir
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 12:15 pm Social Graces
- 4:00—6:00 pm WAVES

Monday, January 29

- 9:00 am Grace In Motion
- 10:00 am Basketball (Seniors)
- 5:30 pm Basketball (youth)
- 7:15 pm Chorale practice

Tuesday, January 30

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

Wednesday, January 31

- 10:00 am Yoga
- 4:00 pm Worship Committee
- 4:00 pm Organist Practice
- 4:30 pm Basketball Lionheart
- 6:00 pm Basketball Youth
- 6:15 pm Grace Ringers
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 1

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

Friday, February 2

- 9:00 am Organist practice
- 9:00 am Grace in Motion

Sunday, February 4

- 8:30 am Worship Service
- 9:45 am Prospective New Members/Parlor
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Chancel Choir
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 4:00—6:00 pm WAVES

Pancake Supper for mission trip

The youth will be holding a pancake supper on Ash Wednesday, starting at 5:30. All church members are invited to come out and help support sending our youth on their summer mission trip. There will be a donation box and all proceeds will go toward the trip. Thank you for all you do in supporting our youth. For any questions, please contact Jada Martinez.



Sunset Park Elementary Year-end Book Drive

We are collecting books for grade levels K – 5 so that we can give every child at SP Elementary a book at the end of the school year. We will need around 450 books.

Where to get books: look around your house, go to consignment stores, Amazon, Dollar General / Walmart types of stores, and local libraries that sell children's books. We will be collecting through April.

Where to drop off: there will be a collection box located in the welcome center.

Many of these children do not have books at home.

Thank you for helping us reach this goal.

—Jane and Charlie Carrico

In-person/Online Attendance & Offering for 1/21/2024

In-person Worship Service:

8:30 am	53
11:00 am	198
online	99

Operating Funds Given	\$	7,144
Budget receipts needed weekly	\$	15,635
Building Preservation Given	\$	200

Apportionments paid through December

December financial report

Building YTD Preservation Fund Receipts	\$	138,017
Building YTD Preservation Fund Expenses	\$	278,662
Balance	\$	(135,273)
Budget YTD Receipts (Dec.)	\$	728,695
Expenses YTD (2023)	\$	689,315
Balance Receipts vs Expenses	\$	39,380

On-line Sunday Worship Services Continue

This is the link:

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

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Give through Paypal at our website
or Square

by using this QR Code.

(point your phone camera

at the box and click on the link that appears).



Checks may also be mailed to the address above.

Methodist Home for Children collection

The UWF has an on-going mission for Methodist Home for Children. We will be collecting gently used or new items of clothing, shoes, socks, and especially sport shoes. We heard, last month from Regina Hawes, that the clothing allowance for each child is \$125 per year. If you have children in sports, you know that shoes can blow the entire allowance.



United
Women
in Faith

We serve.
We advocate.
We make a difference.

Please go through your children's closet and remember our other children in need. There will be a bin marked Methodist Home for Children. Thank you.

UWF meets February 6

The UWF will be meeting on February 6th at 10:30 am in the Bullock Center. The speaker will be Larry Sackett, from Mission of Hope, the organization that supports Rotifunk Hospital in Sierra Leone. We will not be collecting any items for this mission, but will pass our mission collection basket if you wish to contribute to this worthy cause.



Our service project for February will be making soup for our Soup Sale. The new price is \$12 a quart and cornbread is \$2 for 4 pieces. Our Soup Sales will be on 'Souper Bowl Sunday, February 11th.

Prayer Requests

Donna Atkins	Tom McCarthy
Garland Atkins	Kristi Midgett
Dan Barnes	Barbara Oldroyd
Lindsey Brown	Lucy Peoples
Family of Patricia Chickering	Bill Perks
Family of Ron Downing	Carolyn Stokley
Bonnie Gallagher	Mary Tyndall
Greyson	Brian Ullrich
Family of Kitty Hargett	Sue VanNote
Roxann Lansdowne	Becky Whisnant
Maxine LeFever	Stephanie Woodward
Family of Jennifer Martin	Caregivers Everywhere
Judy McCarthy	Unspoken, in our hearts
	War-torn countries

Please keep the following military persons in your prayers:

ETN1 Anthony Augustine, USN	Capt. Benjamin Mabee, USMC
Cpl. Matthew Brin, USA	PFC Schuyler Marshall, USA
LCpl. John Capwell, USMC	SSgt. Emily Olinger, USAF
Sgt. Tim Cobaugh, USMC	Pvt. Steven Patterson, USA
Col. John Delaney, USA	SSgt. James Pritchett, USA
Ltjg. Elizabeth Downing, USN	CDR Kevin Ringelstein, USN
E3 Hadden Scott Dubel, USN	Capt. Brandon Showers, USMC
E6 William Chase Dubel, USA	Capt. Robert Stockman, USMC
E3 Caylen Folmar, USAF	Michael Tate, USA
E3 Taylor Folmar, USN	E2 Cassie Wenz, USMC
Sgt. Alex Gifford, USMC	
Maj. Jason T. Hill, USSF	



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

“SOUPER” BOWL SUNDAY SALE

Mark your calendars, February 11th. It is not just Super Bowl Sunday, it is the UWF’s annual Souper Bowl Sunday Soup Sale.

This year we have had to raise the price of the soup, due to the increase in the cost of ingredients to \$12 per quart and the cornbread to \$2 per package of 4 pieces.

Be sure to come early and pick out your choice of soups. We have quite a variety of soup and of course, a limited amount of cornbread.

UWF appreciates your continued support of our missions.



Altar flower chart up in Welcome Center!



The cost for altar flowers is \$50 per side. Checks should be made payable to Grace UMC, with “altar flowers” written on the memo line. Checks may be placed in the offering plate, or mailed to the office.

Ginny will contact you about the dedication the week prior to your selected date if you haven’t provided one. Plenty of dates are still available. Thank you for your donations.

Cinderella's Closet fundraising gala Feb. 23rd

It’s not too late to sign up for the Roaring 20's Gala to make a meaningful impact for Cinderella's Closet. Sponsors and raffle items are needed to make this evening a success.



Or, to register, sign up via Square: \$75 each person or \$125 per couple. All proceeds will go towards our 2024 prom shopping event, so sign up soon.

Email cinderellasclosetilm@gmail.com or message us on Facebook if you are interested and would like more information. You may also contact April Lester, Alicia Powell, Hope Inman or Julie Crow. A poster with more information is available in the Welcome Center.

Thank you from Mother Hubbard’s Cupboard!

Thank you for helping make December a good donations month for Mother Hubbard's Cupboard. We take donations from Grace to MHC every Wednesday and Saturday.

January's focus is on items they always need: any size/kind of CEREAL, MAC AND CHEESE and SOUP for families. Containers of vanilla and chocolate BOOST and ENSURE are often requested by individuals who have no shelter in which to live. As usual, TOILET PAPER is always welcome.



- 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: _____