

Grace Notes

June 27, 2021

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, June 27

8:30 am Worship Service
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service

Tuesday, June 29

8:30 am Organist Practice
9:00 am Online Service Recording/Sanctuary
2:00 pm Organist Practice
5:30 pm Boot Camp

Wednesday, June 30

8:30 am Organist Practice
11:00 am Gentle Yoga Class/Gym
2:00 pm Organist Practice
7:00 pm Chancel Choir/Grace Ringers Zoom

Thursday, July 1

5:30 pm Boot Camp

Friday, July 2

8:30 am Organist Practice
1:30 pm Martha Organ

Sunday, July 4

8:30 am Worship Service
No Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service

On-line Sunday Worship Services Continue

The service will be available Sunday morning starting at **8:00 am**.
You may worship by going to either:

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/gumcwillington>

YouTube:

Link coming on Saturday

Grace's website:

<https://gracedowntown.church/>

Link to 2021 Altar Flower Chart



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EAAA92DA5F5CF8-altar>

Sunday School Returns!

Sunday School returns for everyone on Sunday, June 20, **9:45 am**.

The children will meet in their regular classrooms. All adults will assemble in the gym in one class. Leadership of the class will rotate among the teachers of the different adult classes.

Here is a schedule of the adult class leadership.

June 27	Tal Madison
July 4	No classes/July 4th holiday
July 11	Begin rotation among leaders

Make plans now to resume attending Sunday School.

HOW ARE WE DOING ON OUR MEMBERSHIP VOWS?

(Prayers, Presence, Gifts, and Service)

In-person/Online Attendance & Offering for 6/20/2021

In-person Worship Service: 8:30 am - 24
11:00 am - 111
Online Worship Service: 50 views

Operating Funds Given 6/16-6/23 \$ 5,316

May

Operating Funds Given YTD	\$ 243,691
Operating Expenses YTD	\$ 285,474
Balance	\$ (41,783)

2021 Operating Budget = \$ 754,879

May

Building Preservation Fund Received 2021 YTD	\$ 23,077
Building Preservation Fund Spent 2021 YTD	\$ 15,159

Disaster Recovery (Boiler)

Insurance Receipts	\$ 62,048
Expenses to date	\$ 72,113

Apportionments are paid through May.

FAMILY MINISTRIES



SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Saturday, July 10
2-6 PM

Church members are invited to join the Youth as we prepare dinner for the Feast Gathering!

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church 12 N 6th St, Wilmington, NC 28401

The Feast Gathering is an UMC group that provides dinner, worship, and so much more to downtown friends in need. This July, Grace has been invited to help prepare the meal and join the gathering on Saturday, July 10. There are many ways you can help!

- Help us cook! Be on site at St Paul's from 2-5 as we help prepare the dinner trays.
- Send a dessert. We will set up a dessert table filled with choices. You can leave a dessert item in the kitchen at Grace before 2 on that Saturday.
- Donate Tide Pods. Part of The Gathering is the chance for those who join to wash clothes.
- Donate all sizes of Men's and Women's under wear. Our UMC Conference Shower trailer will be onsite and often the people needing showers can use new underwear. Items can be left in the baskets in the Welcome Center.

Contact Kelley to let her know of your participation.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for comfort and healing for the following people:

Archie	Family of Randy Harris	Sharon Sabo
Scott Carter	David Hash	Brooke Santos
Debbie Cole & Family	Family of Helen Hawley	Mary Sloan
David Cooper	Dick Hull	Sandee Murray Spradley
Patricia DiGiuseppe	Family of Beth Humphrey	Stowe Spratt
Mitch Duncan	Jessica	Shar Streeter
Donnella Dzengelski and Family	Family of Eddie Jones	Matt Sutton
Linda Garrett	Maria King	Jim Teachey
Manaline Gibson	Janet Lipton	Louise Thompson
Hank	Cris Mowrey	Veteran Village
Theresa Harrell	Todd Paxton	Stew Wolling
	Carolyn Pope	

Also, please pray for:

Our Country

The demise of the coronavirus pandemic
All medical personnel
All those working with the public

If you have a prayer request, please contact **Sandy Smith** at sandysmithgrace@gmail.com or 910-233-0310.

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
E3 Hadden Scott Dubel, USN
E6 William Chase Dubel, USA
E3 Caylen Folmar, USAF
E3 Taylor Folmar, USN
Sgt. Alex Gifford, USMC
Maj. Jason T. Hill, USAF
Cpl. Chase Krieg, USMC
SFC Letty Long, USA
SFC Woodrow Long, USA
Capt. Benjamin Mabee, USMC
CDR Nicholas Madren, USN
PFC Schuyler Marshall, USA
SSg. Emily Olinger, USAF
Pvt. Steven Patterson, USA
CDR Kevin Ringelstein, USN
Col. Amy Moore Russo, USAF
E6 Jack Andre Settele, USA
Capt. Brandon Showers, USMC
AB Michael Sloan, USAF
Capt. Robert Stockman, USMC
Michael Tate, USA
E2 Cassie Wenz, USMC



VBS
August 8-12, 2021
5:45-6:00

Coming this August!!!!
Superhero Camp
August 8-12 from 5:45-7:00 pm

Join us for Superhero Camp as we learn about the Armor of God! We will make sure you have the superpowers needed to get through life.

- ◆ Join Miss Janet in the Costume Creation Factory,
- ◆ Test your skills in the Superpower Training Facility,
- ◆ Learn about the different ways God empowers us to be His heroes.

Ages 3-12 years old are invited to this year's Vacation Bible School at Grace!



Additions Being Held



Cape Fear Chorale will hold auditions for its Fall Concert Season throughout the day on, Monday, July 26, 2021.

Singers, who desire to be part of a quality choral organization with a 22-year history in the Cape Fear region, are encouraged to register at

www.capefearchorale.org/auditions

Rehearsals are each Monday at Grace UMC, 7:00 - 9:15 pm. All fees are being waived for this first post-pandemic season.

CFC's fall concert, "Sing Together, Always!", is planned for Saturday, November 13, 2021 at Kenan Auditorium, on the UNCW campus.

New Office Hours

Pastor Kelley Ahlers has established new office hours. She will be in her office each week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9 am—2 pm.

Sound Assistance Devices

Now that worship services have returned to the sanctuary, personal, sound assistance devices are again available from the ushers. If you want to use one of these devices, please tell an usher when you arrive.

Grace Name Tags

Everyone is reminded to please wear your Grace name tags on Sunday mornings. The tags are hanging on the hooks outside the sanctuary.

If you don't have a name tag or need a new one, please call or email Marion in the church office.

marion@gracedowntown.net

Admin Council New Covid19 Measures - 6/15/21

Upon recommendation of the Covid19 Task Force, the Administrative Council of Grace UMC voted into effect the Covid19 measures listed below. Unless otherwise noted, these measures may be enacted immediately.

Worship Matters

- That we resume bringing children to the chancel area during worship for the Children's Moment on the second Sunday in August.
- That children continue to wear masks; fully vaccinated youth can go without masks if they so choose.

Sunday School Matters

- Sunday School resumes on June 20, 9:45 am. The children will gather in their rooms; adults will gather in one group in the gym. There will be a rotating system of teachers.
- We recommend that Adult Classes return to their own classrooms on Sunday, August 29.

Contact Sports In The Gym (specifically basketball)

- That it be allowed to resume pending approval by the Trustees. Pending approval by the Trustees is recommended to give them time to explore matters related to renting the gym to outside groups and cleaning matters.

Serving Food

- That serving of food and drink be allowed so long as there is no self service. This would avoid a common point of contact with people reaching into the same dish or using the same serving utensils.
- That we give permission to Nurture to resume serving of food and/or drink on Sunday mornings under the guidelines above whenever the leadership of that group is prepared to do so.
- That we give permission to the Welcome Table to resume serving food and drink on Thursdays under the guidelines above whenever the leadership of that group is prepared to do so.

July Birthdays

7/1	Doris Lopez	7/13	Krystal Rogers	7/22	Leigh Mabee	7/28	Jan Sutton
7/2	David Woodbury		Sammy Stanley	7/23	Katie Coggins		Susan Michaels
	Brooke Benton	7/14	Dot Ballard	7/24	Dean Olinger	7/29	Brian Little
7/3	Marilee Tremlett		Katie Voulgaris		Teresa Biddle	7/30	Cheryl Tripp
7/5	Jeanne Gore		Patricia DiGiuseppe	7/25	Mark Holcomb	7/31	Vivian Carter
7/8	Joyce Edwards	7/15	Sandie Moore		Judy Williams-Cerjak		Delaine Lester
7/10	Bill Booth		Barbara Downing	7/27	Tom Guthrie		
7/11	Ginny McCarthy	7/17	Tom Snider		Barrett Crow		
	Beatrice Vaughan	7/21	Keith Layton				