

# Grace Notes

May 12, 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, May 12

##### Happy Mothers Day

- 8:30 am Worship Service
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Chancel Choir
- 11:00 am Worship Service

#### Monday, May 13

- 9:00 am Grace In Motion
- 10:00 am Basketball (seniors)
- 4:00 pm Basketball (Lion Heart)
- 5:30 pm Basketball (youth)
- 6:30 pm SPRC
- 7:15 pm Cape Fear Chorale

#### Tuesday, May 14

- 9:00 am Organist Practice
- 9:00 am Bible Study
- 3:00 pm Basketball (Lion Heart)
- 5:30 pm Bootcamp
- 6:30 pm Finance
- 6:30 pm Basketball (youth)

#### Wednesday, May 15

- 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
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, May 16

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

#### Friday, May 17

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

#### Saturday, May 18

- 9:30 am UWF District registration & meeting

#### Sunday May 19

##### Pentecost (we encourage you to wear red)

- 8:30 am Worship Service
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Chancel Choir
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 12 noon Family Picnic Northern Regional Park

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### In-person/Online Attendance & Offering for 5/9/2024

In-person Worship Service:

8:30 am	33
11:00 am	174
online	119

Operating Funds Given	\$	6,820
Budget receipts needed weekly	\$	15,634
Building Preservation Given	\$	390

Apportionments paid through April

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#### April financial report

Building YTD Preservation Fund Receipts	\$	24,896
Building YTD Preservation Fund Expenses	\$	7,068
Balance	\$	17,828

Budget YTD Receipts	\$	265,553
Expenses YTD (2024)	\$	247,144
Balance Receipts vs Expenses	\$	18,409

### On-line Sunday Worship Services Continue

This is the link:

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

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(point your phone camera  
at the box and click on the link that  
appears).



Checks may also be mailed to the address above.

### Outback Rock Weekend VBS

Register here: <https://vbspro.events/pgraceumckids>

On this Aussie adventure, kids explore God's monumental love and discover what it means to have an unshakable faith. Drop your child off for a full day of learning and play on Saturday, June 29th 8:00am-6:00pm (breakfast, lunch, and dinner will be served) and bring the whole family for a Special Service followed by a family day with lunch and more fun on Sunday, June 30th from 11am- 2pm. Hope to see you there!!

If you are interested in volunteering we need your help this year! You can use the same link above or reach out directly to Kelsey Keenan. We will also be asking for donations via an amazon wishlist and board in the welcome center, so be on the lookout! Thanks for all your support, Grace Family!  
Contact Kelsey Keenan (910) 599-5290  
[kelsey@gracedowntown.net](mailto:kelsey@gracedowntown.net)

### Hi, Children and Youth Families!

We will be having our end of the year party on May 19th, immediately following church. This is a family event and we would like to invite all families too! It will be at Northern Regional Park at Castle Hayne. We will be providing pizza, drinks, and paper goods. For anyone attending, we just ask you to bring a side or desert. We will be having a kickball game! We hope that you can come out for a good time and fellowship! Please let us know if you can attend so we know how much food to provide!  
Contact Kelsey Keenan or Jada Martinez to RSVP  
[Kelsey@gracedowntown.net](mailto:Kelsey@gracedowntown.net)

### More Kitchen Committee Members Needed

It's time for more Grace Members to get back in our kitchen. There are only a few of the original Kitchen Committee members available. We need more people to join our Kitchen Team. These teams of two or more serve for a month at a time to check on the cleanliness each week. For example, you would throw away out-of-date items in the fridge and wipe off the counter tops. Please ask a buddy to join with you and contact Joan Cunningham at 910-251-1242 to sign up for this important way to serve Grace.

### A "Special" Sweet Sunday May 19

The Nurture Committee will donate the proceeds of the May 19th Sweet Sunday to the Youth Mission Trip. So PLEASE buy a 1 dollar chance or several chances to win a sweet and help support the Youth Mission Trip. Thank you for always supporting Sweet Sunday.



## Prayer Requests

Dan Barnes	Tom Powers
Alan Broadwater	Linda and Dick Raim
Lindsey Brown	Carolyn Stokley
Tim Collins	Peggy Utterback
Kitty Eure	Becky Whisnant
Martin Ginocchio	Jeff Wilson
James Daniel Hendricks	Dean Windgassen
Maxine LeFever	Stephanie Woodward
Family of Mark Lester	Caregivers everywhere
Kristi Midgett	Unspoken, in our hearts
Bill Perks	War-torn Countries

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](mailto:mtrem3@icloud.com).

### Attention all Graduates and Parents of Grads!

Grace United Methodist Church plans to recognize our 2023-2024 graduates during worship on **Sunday, June 2nd**. We need your help with the collection of the names and schools of graduates. We invite all to be present at the **11:00 am worship service on Sunday, June 2**.

If you are a graduate, parent or caregiver of a graduate or graduates, during the 2023-2024 school year (December or June), receiving a HS diploma, a two- or four-year degree, or higher, please call or reply to Ginny at [ginny@gracedowntown.net](mailto:ginny@gracedowntown.net) to let us know!

Please include each

- students' and parents' names
- email addresses
- school and program of study
- graduation date

Please send us this information **as soon as possible**, but no later than noon on **Wednesday, May 22**. Thank you for making this a special day in the life of the church!

As is tradition at Grace, baskets will be set out beginning next week to be filled with cards and gifts for each of the graduating high school seniors.

### Divine Grace Women's Group May Social.

When: Thursday, May 23rd, 6:00 pm  
Where: La Costa Mexican Restaurant  
5622 Oleander Drive  
Wilmington, NC 28403

Come gather to socialize and share about our upcoming mission project. We will be collecting the following items for the Sister Isaac Center: New men's underwear and white athletic socks, gently used: towels, sheets, and cookware.

Please RSVP to [Mary@gracedowntown.net](mailto:Mary@gracedowntown.net) by May 21st to secure an accurate headcount for the restaurant. See you then! ♥

### Harbor District UWF meeting at Grace on May 18

The Harbor District Social Actions Coordinator, Mary Greene, has scheduled a presentation about domestic violence victim services here at Grace in the Bullock Activities Center.

**This meeting will be held Saturday, May 18th from 10 am to 12 noon and is hosted by United Women In Faith.**

Registration is at 9:30 and light refreshments will be served by Grace United Women in Faith. We will meet in the Bullock Center. If you plan on attending or wish to help with the refreshments, please let me know, Dianna Florea, at [dflorea68@aol.com](mailto:dflorea68@aol.com) or 910-398-8790, or text 937-307-3556. Thank you in advance.

### A Note about United Woman in Faith

Have you ever wondered what the ladies in UWF do besides meet, eat, and visit with each other? Well, we certainly do all of those things, but we also accomplish much more. Following you will see how we have kept busy this year:

- ◆ Filled and delivered to UMCOR, 54 AGAPE boxes (church-wide event)
- ◆ Made and delivered to UMCOR, 13 health kits
- ◆ Collected toys for Sister Isaac Center for their Christmas baskets for the needy
- ◆ Collected items for Methodist Home for Children (church-wide event)
- ◆ Made dresses, shorts, and purchased t-shirts for Methodist Home for Children and gave a monetary donation
- ◆ Purchased books for UWF library
- ◆ Monetary donation to Mission of Hope, Rotifunk Hospital
- ◆ Donation and more dresses and shorts given to the mission in Sri Lanka
- ◆ Organized church-wide collection of Migrant Bag toiletries and made laundry bags for these items and delivered to Wesley Methodist Church for pickup
- ◆ Prayer shawl ministry
- ◆ Prepare baptismal boxes
- ◆ Collection of aluminum pull tabs for Ronald McDonald House
- ◆ Collection of used eye glasses for the Lions Clubs
- ◆ Monthly visitation and homemade cards for our homebound ladies
- ◆ Goodies bags provided to our homebound ladies
- ◆ Food to Mother Hubbard's Cupboard
- ◆ Monetary donation to Cape Fear Life Care (Hospice) and donated items
- ◆ Helped with treats and ran a game for Fall Festival
- ◆ Monetary donation to Foster Pantry and items
- ◆ Helped with items for the Angel Tree (some more of our dresses)
- ◆ Monetary Donation to 2Share Furniture

And we are not yet finished! We support many different missions. The ladies contribute how they wish. We certainly do not require any commitments, it is just the love they have to give as they are able. I am so proud of our ladies; they are the most loving and caring women I know. I am proud of our United Women of Faith!

### Scholarship applications being accepted

Grace Scholarship applications for the 2024-2025 academic year are being accepted now through June 3. Applicants can apply with this link <https://forms.gle/C7WmYXmSpYycGgTNA> Please contact Mary Tyndall or Liz Moore or email [scholarships@gracedowntown.net](mailto:scholarships@gracedowntown.net) if you have questions.