Grace Notes

November 10, 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, November 10 New Members join

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

10:30 am Chancel Choir

11:00 am Worship Service

4:30 pm Youth and Connect, Reflect, Learn

Monday, Nov. 11 Veteran's Day

9:00 am Grace In Motion (walkers)

10:00 am Basketball (seniors)

4:30 pm Wilmington Peace Meeting

6:30 pm Staff Parish Relations (SPRC)

Tuesday, Nov. 12

9:00 am Organist Practice

9:00 am Bible Study

5:30 pm Bootcamp

6:30 pm Finance Committee

7:00 pm Chorale Brd mtg (library) & practice

Wednesday, Nov. 13

10:00 am Yoga

10:00 am Staff Meeting

2:00 pm Organist Practice

4:00 pm Worship Committee

5:00 pm Basketball (Lion Heart)

6:15 pm Grace Ringers

7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, Nov. 14

10:00 am Basketball (Seniors)

5:30 pm Bootcamp

6:45 pm Basketball (Moore)

Friday, November 15

9:00 am Organist Practice

9:00 am Grace In Motion (walkers)

Saturday, November 16

9:00 am Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, November 17

New Members join

8:30 am Worship Service

9:45 am Sunday School 10:30 am Chancel Choir

11:00 am Worship Service

You're invited

to connect, reflect, and learn

who? youth and adults who have participated in The Anchor's ministry at the barge or at Grace (or who want to in the future!)

what? a gathering to connect with each other, reflect on our experiences on the barge, and learn about a community engagement value we are seeking to practice

when? Sunday, November 10

4:30-6:30, dinner together at 6:00

where? Grace UMC gym

why? we don't learn by doing, we learn by reflecting on doing

What do I Need to Bring?

- an object that describes who you are
- willingness to share with the group why you chose that object

• food to share for our meal together

- if your birthday is January-June, bring a meat/main dish
- if your birthday is July-December, bring a side dish

<u>In-person/Online Attendance & Offering</u> <u>for 11/3/2024</u>

In-person Worship Service:

8:30 am 28 11:00 am 183 Online service: 81 Operating Funds Given \$ 12,179 Average receipts needed weekly Building Preservation Given \$ 200

Apportionments paid through October

October Financial Report

Building YTD Preservation Fund Rcpts. \$ 40,832 Building YTD Preservation Fund Exp. \$ 29,886 Balance \$ 10,945 Budget YTD Receipts \$ 634,920 Expenses YTD (2024) \$ 558,857 Balance Receipts vs Expenses \$ (111,199)

Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity.

On-line Sunday Worship Services Continue

This is the link:

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

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



Christmas Love Offering for Grace Staff

The Staff Parish Relations Committee will once again this year be collecting a Love Offering to recognize the Grace Church staff at Christmas. These wonderful men and women work hard for the church all year. With this special offering we would like to recognize their extraordinary efforts with a little something extra during the holidays. If you would like to contribute to this effort, your donation can be made in several ways.

- Write a check payable to Grace UMC with Love Offering on the memo line.
- Pay with cash placed in an envelope with Love Offering on the front.
- Make an online donation through PayPal. Please remember to make the notation that it is for the Love Offering.

Check or cash contributions can be made by placing them in the offering plate or by mailing them to the church office. Donations will be accepted at church through Sunday, November 17, 2024 or mailed to the church by November 25, 2024. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this endeavor.

Staff Parish Relations Committee Ron Moore, Chair

Prayer Requests

Tom Bartron Bill Perks
Mary Brooks Luke Russo
Tammy Burnette Heather Thompson
Family of Whit Dan Walters

Connor, June Knox Family and friends of Becky Whisnant

Patricia DiGiuseppi Dean Windgassen Kitty Eure Barry Zigler

Christine Garvin

Lorelei Hauptmann Caregivers everywhere Kimberly, Izzy, & Duspoken, in our hearts

Colleen Those whose lives are affected by

Brian Little storms and floods
War-torn countries

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

Please keep the following military persons in your prayers:

ETNC Anthony Augustine, USN
PO1 Sean Baker, USN
Cpl. Matthew Brin, USA
LCpl. John Capwell, USMC
Sgt. Tim Cobaugh, USMC
Ltjg. Elizabeth Downing, USN
E3 Hadden Scott Dubel, USN
E6 William Chase Dubel, USA
E3 Caylen Folmar, USAF
E3 Taylor Folmar, USN
Sgt. Alex Gifford, USMC

SFC Woodrow Long, USA

Maj. Jason T. Hill, USSF
SFC Letty Long, USA
Capt. Benjamin Mabee, USMC
PFC Schuyler Marshall, USA
SSgt. Emily Olinger, USAF
Pvt. Steven Patterson, USA
SSgt. James Pritchett, USA
CDR Kevin Ringelstein, USN
Capt. Brandon Showers, USMC
Capt. Robert Stockman, USMC

Michael Tate, USA E2 Cassie Wenz, USMC

Grace United Methodist Church Chancel Choir

presents

Sing Noel! A Musical Celebration

Jerry S. Cribbs, Director Leslie Bergbower, Organist

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Sunday
December 15
4:00 pm



From the Treasurer

PLEASE, Please, Please! When making contributions and or payments to Grace for more than 1 budget item, (flowers, budget, building preservation), make separate checks for <u>each item</u>. Our newly automated accounting system does not like combined check payments. This increases the likelihood of errors and extra work for staff. Thank you!

Divine Grace Women's Group November Gathering:

When: Thursday, November 14th at 6:00 pm

Where: El Cerro Grande (University Commons) by UNCW 341 South College Rd.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, November 12th to get an accurate headcount.

Mary Tyndall: Mary@gracedowntown.net

Ushers, liturgists and sound operators needed!

Please consider giving some time to help with the 8:30 am Sunday morning worship. This service has lost several volunteers lately. If you would like to serve, or temporarily fill in during the busy Thanksgiving and Advent Season, we would love to have your help!

Úshers—Contact Bob High or Darrell Davies **Liturgists**—Contact Rick Zigler

Sound Operators—Debbie Cole

Let Ginny know if you need contact information.

Lost and Found

Mary Huppmann is missing her orange plastic tray with autumn leaves that she had on the dessert table for the Potato/Salad Lunch on 11/3/24. Her name is on the bottom. If you picked it up by mistake please call Ginny at church. There is an orange glass plate at church but it is very different from Mary's.

—Judy Heath, Nurture Chairman

There are also many found items in our Lost and found Box located right inside the Fourth Street entrance. Earrings, glasses, a FOB. If you are missing anything, take a look or call the office and describe.

MHC lends a helping hand!

Oct 30 237 families served Nov 2 172 families served

Please continue to place your donations in the grocery cart near the elevator in the Welcome Center.

- Travel size personal hygiene items (soap/body wash, lotion, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, razors,
- Feminine hygiene products (all sizes)
- Grocery size paper bags with handles
- Plastic grocery bags
- Reusable durable grocery bags

Thank you to Grace UMC members! Your donations continue to make a difference each week especially when our supplies become very low.

Angel Tree coming soon!

The Angel Tree offers you the chance to share the Joy of Christmas with others less fortunate. We welcome anyone who wishes to participate in decorating the tree this Sunday after the 11 am service. We have all the decorations.

Once the decorations and tags are up, you may pick up a tag. All gifts will need to be returned after selection by December 1. Thank you for your gifts and bringing a smile to a child or family. Contact Regina Milihram (frmilihram@gmail.com) for more information.



