

Grace Notes

November 20, 2022

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 20

Christ the King Sunday/Baptism

8:30 am Worship Service
9:45 am Sunday School
10:30 am Chancel Choir
11:00 am Worship Service
5:00 pm WAVES

Monday, November 21

9:00 am Grace In Motion Walkers (gym)
5:30 pm Boot Camp
7:00 pm Trustees mtg.

Tuesday, November 22

3:00 pm Organist Practice
5:30 pm Boot Camp
6:15 pm Grace Ringers
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Wednesday, November 23

10:00 am Staff Meeting
9:00 am Organist Practice

Thursday, November 24

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Office Closed

Friday, November 25

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9:00 am Organist practice

Saturday, November 26

Nothing scheduled

Sunday, November 27

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

In-person/Online Attendance & Offering for 11/13/2022

In-person Worship Service:

8:30 am 33
11:00 am 167

Online Worship Service: 69

Operating Funds Given \$ 11,389
Building Preservation \$ 1,440

October

Operating Funds Given YTD \$ 516,758
Operating Expenses YTD \$ 579,624
Balance \$ (62,866)

October

Annual Bld. Preserv. Receipts \$ 47,607
Annual Bld. Preserv. Fund Exp. \$ 31,216
Balance \$ 16,390

Apportionments are paid through October.

On-line Sunday Worship Services Continue

The service will be available Sunday starting
at **4:00 pm**

This is the link:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/
UCAK2Z36cUQ1JzE6Ye7TzcGg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAK2Z36cUQ1JzE6Ye7TzcGg)

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The Harmony Bells are coming!

The December meeting of UMW/Women United in Faith will be held in the Bullock Activity Center at 10:30 am on Thursday, December 1. Hostesses Renate Cooper and Joanne Hamilton will provide refreshments. The Harmony Belles will present a program of traditional and contemporary Christmas music which is guaranteed to get you into the Christmas spirit. Come and bring a friend.

In the spirit of Christmas, we are asking you to bring a toy for a child this Christmas. Your generous donations will be taken to Sister Isaac Center for distribution to children of families in need during this season. If you have completed winter dresses for Methodist Home for Children foster kids, please bring them to the church by December 1.

Please Note: Due to the short Thanksgiving work week, please send in any Grace Notes or Bulletin updates by Tuesday morning. Thank you for your help and all of the staff at GUMC wish you and yours a blessed Thanksgiving.

Gracelettes Annual Ornament Exchange.

The Gracelettes Annual Ornament Exchange will be held on December 8th at 6:00 pm at 686 Coniston Dr. Bring a wrapped ornament and an appetizer or dessert to share.

—Jess Phillips



Grace United Methodist Church

Chancel Choir

and orchestra

present

Night of the Father's Love

Christmas Cantata

by Pepper Choplin

Sunday, December 11 at 10:30 am
401 Grace Street - Downtown Wilmington

Prayer Requests

Don Addona	Sandy Miller
Jim Alban	Carolyn Parker
Wayne Blalock	Joan Pence
Larry Burnette	Karen and Charlie Reap
Family of Marie Dubel	Jessica Rector
Larry Florea	Rod Roberts
Martin Ginocchio	Jerry Smith
The Godwin family	Aaron Swaney
Family of Ruth Guthrie	Donna Tripp
Mark Hansen	
Francis Hart	
Carl Humphrey	
Lori Jones	
Debbie King	
Brian Little	



Please keep the following military persons in your prayers:

ETN1 Anthony Augustine, USN	Capt. Benjamin Mabee, USMC
LCpl. John Capwell, USMC	LCpl. Seth Mack, USMC
Sgt. Tim Cobaugh, USMC	PFC Schuyler Marshall, USA
Col. John Delaney, USA	SSg. Emily Olinger, USAF
Ens. Elizabeth Downing, USN	Pvt. Steven Patterson, USA
E3 Hadden Scott Dubel, USN	Sgt. James Pritchett, USA
E6 William Chase Dubel, USA	CDR Kevin Ringelstein, USN
E3 Caylen Folmar, USAF	Col. Amy Moore Russo, USAF
E3 Taylor Folmar, USN	Capt. Brandon Showers, USMC
Sgt. Alex Gifford, USMC	AB Michael Sloan, USAF
Maj. Jason T. Hill, USSF	Capt. Robert Stockman, USMC
SFC Letty Long, USA	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.

Be an Angel-Pick up an Angel

The Angel Tree offers you the chance to share the joy of Christmas with a local child and/or family. The tree will be in the Welcome Center beginning Sunday, November 20. The Angel gift tags belonging to children and families in the Wilmington area are provided by the Methodist Home for Children. The tag contains a wish list of items, the child's name, age, clothing sizes, and gift ideas. It is not expected that everything on the tag be purchased by the same person; it's suggested that 3-4 items be purchased by each person wishing to help this holiday season. If you would like to help but selecting a tag and shopping are not of interest to you, consider contributing a gift card to a local grocery store, Target, Walmart, Dollar General, Dollar Tree, local restaurant, or fast food restaurant. Please do not wrap the gifts. We hope you enjoy shopping for these special gifts, and that the experience brings you and the recipients Christmas joy.

Please remember to include the tag when you return the items. All gifts must be returned by Sunday, December 4, 2022. Please feel free to reach out to Grace UMC church member Regina Milihram at 703-863-8461 with any questions or



It's a Wonderful Time of the Year!

Are you looking for that perfect Christmas gift? How about a beautifully engraved brick in memory or in honor of a loved one. The bricks will be placed in the garden around the columns under the portico. Brochures are available in the Welcome Center or contact Karen Evans or Sally Barnes with questions.

Help Support Our Youth Mission Trip

Help support our youth this summer as they travel to Pennsylvania to do construction on low income housing with TEAMeffort! This month we are continuing our envelope fundraiser that can be found in the Welcome Center with varying amounts. Below are some testimonials from a few of our youth why this trip is important to them: "I am so excited for next year's mission trip! I want to go because I love being able to help people and connect with other believers from all around. This year, we got the opportunity to help build a deck for a lady who needed it and be able to talk with her and spread God's love. In the evening we all worshiped and connected together which was amazing. I can't wait for the next one!" -Sarah L.

"My favorite experience at the mission camp was fishing at the lake as well as swimming." -Cooper S.

Ornaments are still available

It's not too late to purchase a 225th anniversary ornament. These beautiful wooden laser-engraved ornaments will make your tree look even better! You can find special donation envelopes in the Welcome Center. Contact Sally Barnes or Karen Evans if you have questions.



Mother Hubbard's Cupboard Thanksgiving

Time is drawing near to Thanksgiving and our MHC Thanksgiving Drive, along with the shopping cart display will be up a few more days if you would like to help someone make their holiday more special. Thanks for those who have already donated!



Thanksgiving needs:

yams	corn bread mixes	flour
stuffing	gravy	instant potatoes
cranberry sauce	flour	pie crusts
canned pumpkin	sugar	any other items

Thanks for helping provide items for a great Thanksgiving meal. Duckie Dawkins is glad to answer any additional questions: dmdawkins@twc.com

Come for the Nativity play, Stay for the Chili
Our Children & Youth program is presenting "The Nativity Play" with a Chili Dinner following. The play is on Sunday, December 4th at 5:00 pm. Please RSVP for the dinner and include the number in your party in the additional insert to the bulletin or the online link. We will be accepting donations at the dinner to go towards the youth mission trip in July 2023. Hope to see you there!!