

## **WELCOME**

Grace Community and First Baptist Churches are worshipping together! We're so glad you're here today. This celebration is a great time to connect with God and His people. Both Churches are a wonderful family and support system for those following Christ, and for those coming to know Him better. We hope you'll find our time together encouraging and that you'll sense the presence of God.

### **Let's Worship Together!**

**Date:** May 25, 2025

### **Welcome and Prayer**

### **Announcements**

**Opening Songs:** Come Into His Presence  
Blessed Assurance

### **Prayer for Children Attending Sunday School**

### **Greeting Time**

### **Sharing Time and Pastoral Prayer**

**Scripture:** I John 4:7-17

**Offering** (Yellow envelopes = Grace, Blue envelopes = First Baptist)

**Songs of Praise and Worship:** Bigger Table  
When They Saw The Star  
I Can Only Imagine

**Sermon:** Pastor John – Passages of a Lifetime  
XVII. Keep Yourselves In The Love Of God

**Scripture:** Jude 21 NASB

**Closing Songs:** Friend, I'll Fly Away

**Benediction:**

## **Announcements**

As a courtesy to others, we ask that you silence your cell phones.

**Assistance with Food** – For those interested in helping with food at Pastor John's retirement party, please sign up. The form is on the bulletin board. Thanks for your help!

**5 Day Club** - July 7-11, 10am - 1pm. There are posters on the bulletin board. If you would like to help volunteer, please see Nada.

**Ladies Bible Study** – Will resume July 17<sup>th</sup> at Linda Szafranski's home at 2pm. We will resume with Session 7, days 1 and 2.

**Coffee and Conversation:** Coffee, tea and refreshments are available at the back of the church before and after service. Please join us for a time of fellowship. If you would like to help with providing goodies for this, a sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

**Concert at Murdock Baptist** – Pastor John and Friends will be at Murdock Baptist on Wednesday, June 11<sup>th</sup>. The time will be shared at a later date. This will be a concert focusing more on Country Gospel.

**A note from Pastor John and Patty** – On this day, we are experiencing bittersweet feelings because, although we are excited to begin this new chapter in our life, we will miss the incredible people within this church family so very much. We have loved our time here and are grateful God placed us here even through Covid, Hurricane Ian, building changes, growth, loss and growth again. May you continue to grow in your relationships with God and one another.

### **Birthdays**

05/15 Sarah Brobst	06/04 Barb Horswell
05/17 Tom Jessop	06/07 Ariel Schaefer
05/18 Sharon Mays	06/19 Sam Evans
05/22 Samson Evans	06/20 Alyssa Evans
05/27 Dave Nordquist	06/27 Sandy Nicholson
	06/29 Jody Quackenbush

## Week at a Glance

**Tuesday** 8:00 am – Men's Breakfast at Zarate's  
10:00 am – Bible Study with Pastor John  
6:00 pm – Weekly prayer

**Wednesday** 9:00 am – Ladies at Culture Coffee on Dearborn

**Thursday**

**Friday**

**Saturday** 8:00 am – Men's Breakfast at Maria's

**Sunday** 10:30 am – Worship Service  
6:00 pm – Bible Study with Sam

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## Church Council Members: *Both Pastors Serve on the Council*

Darrel Decker – Elder

Nada Decker – Children's Ministry

Diane Nordquist – Missions

Sharon Mays – Worship and Event Support

Chuck Shelton – Finance

David Nordquist - Finance

Linda Burbridge – Women's Ministry

Ray Forster – Maintenance, Building Committee

Bev Alston – Outreach

Wendy Gaynor – Building Committee

***Our Mission*** is to help people develop a thriving relationship with Jesus Christ by serving God and serving others.

## Grace Community and First Baptist Churches Sunday Morning Service

05/25/2025

10:30 am



*Pastor John – The Passages of a Lifetime:  
XVII. Keep Yourself  
In The Love Of God*