



The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Choral Opening

"O Come, and Let Us Sing"

*The Call to Gathering

Leader: We gather in this place—

People: Not out of habit, but on purpose. Leader: We gather to make room for God,

People: And for one another.

Leader: We bring our stories, our hopes, our doubts, our gifts—

People: Trusting that God meets us here.

Leader: This is sacred work:

People: The work of gathering, of welcome, of love made visible.

All: Come, Holy Spirit, and make this gathering holy.

*The Invocation

*The Hymn of Praise

"Sing Praise to God, Who Has Shaped" (No. 22 v. 1,3,4)

The Offertory

The Prayers of the People

Special Meditation

The Scripture Lesson Ruth 1:16-17

The Choral Meditation "Sing Out My Soul"

Words of Grace "Hospitality to Strangers"

*The Hymn of Reflection "God of the Women" (Insert)

*Benediction

*The Choral Benediction "May the Lord Bless You"

*Postlude

*All who are able, please stand

Announcements

Mark your Calendars for:

Scary Supper is coming November 2nd! 6:00pm
If you would like to help with meal prep or set up, let Nancy know.
If you would like to decorate a table for the competition let Lisa know!!

Donations go to the Scout Troop.

Our Fall work day will be Saturday, November 8th from 9am - 12pm.
Our biggest task will be cutting down some tree limbs.
Please join us and bring your chainsaws and mulchers!

**ICM needs ANYTHING and EVERYTHING! **

Birthdays

30 - Jean Stroupe 30 - Mike Shaver 31 - Tristan Brown 31 - Serenity Brown November 1 - Katelyn McMillan Corcoran

CONCERNS

Continue to remember: Our friends on homebound: Clara Rogers.

Those issues close to us:

Spencer Cox, Billy Adams, Marsha Angell, Eve Shaver's family, those on disability, River's dad and sister, Government workers and others with job instability, Gary West, All those affected by Hurricane Helene, Louise's brother, Jack, Middle East crisis, Lucas Watt and family, Cameron Gray, Iredell Statesville Schools students and staff, peoples of the Ukraine, caregivers, healthcare workers, homeless children, our nations immigrants.

Those facing tough times, those who are mentally ill, those who are affected by violence, those who are incarcerated, children who are a part of the Guardian ad Litem program, local law enforcement officers and fire fighters.

Those in the military: James Pulliam, Adam Ivey, Anthony Corcoran, Kelso Igano, Zach Thompson

Church Maintenance

Before next Sunday - Hendrix November 9 - Shaver/Corcoran November 16 - Wiberg/Wegmiller

BUDGET UPDATE

Needed year to date: \$83,664.00 Received year to date: \$91,251.26

OVER budget: \$7,587.26 Weekly needs: \$1,992.00 This Week's Offering: \$1796.26



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We are Grace Baptist Church - a ministering people of God, reaching beyond our walls to the needs of our local and global community. We are an intergenerational faith community called and committed to the life of love and servant-hood through the experience of celebrative worship, the development of each person's gifts and the work for peace and justice.

In our diversity we find strength and a way to understand the inclusiveness of God. We recognize each individual as a child of God. We welcome and affirm ALL people, who and where you are, to join in our common mission through participation and leadership in this community of faith.

We are affiliated with the Alliance of Baptists, the Baptist Peace Fellowship of North America and the Association of Welcoming and Affirming Baptists.

Ministers: All Members of the Congregation

Interim Pastor: Carrilea Hall Music Director: LeAnda Barnard Secretary: Lisa Wardo Church Musician: Nichole Tilley

<u>Boards</u>

Cabinet: Neal Grose
Deacon: Doug Hendrix
Mission: Louise Grose
Education: Linda Marshall
Stewardship: Jen DeLong
Worship: LeAnda Barnard

WELCOME TO ALL who have chosen to worship with us today. We pray that being here will bring joy, peace and the presence of God to you.

If you are interested in joining this congregation, as we seek to discern and live out God's call to us, please speak to our pastor or a deacon (Janna Brown, Steve Coarsey, Doug Hendrix, Renae Keesbury, Tom Wiberg, Chris Brown)

You are welcome to be a participant in the church activities at Grace.

You may also contact us by phone at 704-872-5130, or by email at gracestatesville@gmail.com.

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