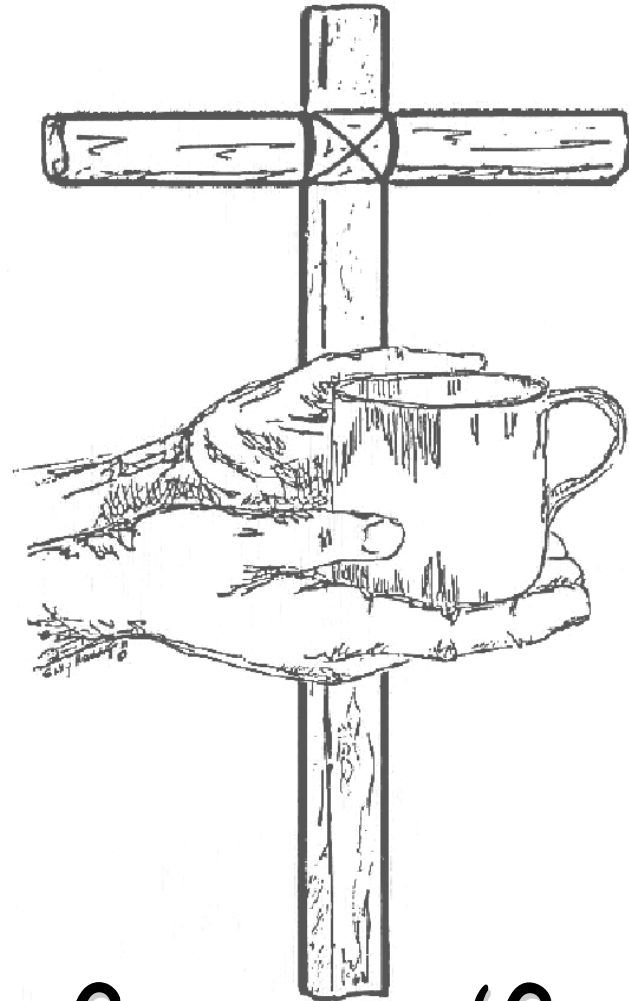


The Celebration of Worship



Community of Grace
May 24, 2026

As the Prelude begins, we invite you into a time of quiet reflection and prayerful preparation for worship.

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Choral Opening

"Rejoice In The Lord"

*The Call to Gathering

Leader: The Spirit descends like a dove, bringing peace to unite the world in a just and caring community

People: The Spirit comes like a breath, bringing life to renew the people of God.

Leader: The Spirit spreads like fire, bringing energy and witnessing the love of God.

All: Spirit of the living God, come to us and transform our lives by your power.

*The Invocation

*The Hymn of Praise

"On Pentecost They Gathered"
(No. 272 v. 1,3,4)

Quilt Time

The Offertory

The Prayers of the People

The Scripture Lesson

Acts 2:1-21

The Choral Meditation

"Be filled with the Spirit"

Words of Grace

"Wait Just One Minute"

*The Hymn of Reflection

"Let Every Christian Pray"
(No. 261 v. all)

*Choral Benediction

"Almighty God"

*Benediction

*Postlude

**All who are able, please stand*

Announcements

We Welcome Lea Slayton to the pulpit today!

Next Sunday, May 31st, starts our Season of Grace with Worship only at 10:00 am all summer. There will be no Sunday School but there will be light breakfast snacks out at 9:30am for socializing and gathering.

Due to the overwhelming response, starting this month we will be serving a meal TWICE a month at Fifth Street. In addition to serving on the second Monday of each month we will also begin serving on the fourth Thursday. A sign-up sheet will be on the back bulletin board at church. You can sign-up Sunday or let Phyllis Rogers know at phyllis.rogers0@gmail.com or (704)838-2315. Please try to arrive around 5:00 and enter through the office. We finish before 6:00.

Our Next Lunch Bunch is June 4th at Yellow Deli in Hiddenite. 1:00pm

Please see a member of the Grounds Committee if you're interested in having a raised garden bed for the 2026 growing season! It's so much fun to grow and pick your own vegetables and flowers!

Summer mowing - please consider volunteering to help with mowing chores this summer. We mow once every 2 weeks and it takes about 2 hours, possibly up to 3 if you prefer to go slower on the riding mower. We have a nice new mower that's in great working order, too!

Birthdays

24 - Cory Scott

28 - Ava Tilley

CONCERNS

Continue to remember:

Our friends on homebound:

Clara Rogers.

Those issues close to us:

Mark Nelson family, Spencer Cox, Billy Adams, those on disability, Joe Swain, Nancy Dill,

Tony Smith, Carrilea's grandmother, Marc, Kristy, Amy Jacks Dean,

Maggie Hurst, Allison & Arnold, Lowe's employees, Hispanic community, Recent shootings,

Bob Barber, Government workers and others with job instability,

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 - Comer

June 7 - D. Rogers

June 14 - Scouts

Second Hour Helpers

Today - Linda, Kristie, Marco, Emma

BUDGET UPDATE

Needed Year to Date: \$42,360.00

Received Year to Date: \$42,891.72

OVER budget: \$531.72

Weekly Needs: \$2,118.00

This Week's Offering: \$3,441.57



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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

Boards

Cabinet: Carole Hendrix

Deacon: Janna Brown

Mission: Louise Grose

Education: Sam Scott

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, John Barnard, Renae Keesbury, Tom Wiberg, Chris Brown, River Irby, Paul Vanderstreek)

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.

Visit our website at www.gracestatesville.org.

Our Facebook page is: Grace Baptist Church of Statesville, NC