

STAYING IN TOUCH...

HAPPENINGS WITHIN OUR
COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Steve's Corner

Dear Grace, for the next two Sundays I will be preaching on two texts from Genesis. In two weeks, November 3, I will preach on Joseph and the miracle of forgiveness. This coming Sunday I will preach on: "Hagar and the Universality of God's Love". Have you ever thought much about Hagar? Have you ever heard a sermon on Hagar? I've never preached one!

The chapters which cover her story and that of her son Ishmael are found in Genesis chapters 16 and 21.

I will read selections from both chapters.

Her story is a foundational story for Islam. It has been relatively less important for Jews and Christians. But maybe there is a lot to learn in her story, about God and about us!

At the heart of this story is the biblical truth that God loves all the peoples of earth, and that all people are God's chosen people. If you want to peek at the texts beforehand, go right ahead!

See you Sunday, Steve

Calendar
Sunday School at 10:00AM
Worship at 11:00 AM
Wednesdays - Choir rehearsal at 6:30 PM

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Our friends on homebound: Nancy Milstead, Clara Rogers.

Those issues close to us: Tom Wiberg, Gay Park, James, Shakira, Kyle & Patricia, Rebecca Beaver, Bob Barber, Jennifer Jolly's mother, Walter Arreaza, Alf Fraley, Louise's brother, Jack, Middle East crisis, Lucas Watt and family, Wild fires in the west, Cameron Gray, Spencer Cox, Iredell Statesville Schools students and staff, Amber Jordan and family, People of Cuba, Kim Christman and Stan Dotson, 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, Caleb Sisk. NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

Celebrations:
Birthdays

20 - Tom Wiberg 21 - Kevin Angell 24 - Steve Coarsey

Concerns:

Racial Healing.

Our Nation.

There is a need to be "aware" of the gun epidemic going on right now.

School students and staff and the community around these schools.

Prayers for people who feel unloved.

Middle East Crisis.

Teen's who are considering suicide.

All those affecting by Hurricane Helene.

Brandon's uncle passed away.

Jean Stroupe's cousin passed away. Remember the Orloski family.

Lisa McBroom.

October Birthdays

1 - David Grose 2 - Grant Lippard 2 - Lawrence Lippard 3 - Doug Hendrix 5 - Mary Whitted Hendrix 6 - Peggy Nicholson 6 - Ben Kudlacek 7 - Hunter Johnson 8 - Liliana Billings 11 - Will Kenney 12 - Maple Scott 13 - Millie Corcoran 14 - Ulvsses Marshall 16 - Brandon Tillev 16 - Grady Adams 20 - Tom Wiberg 21 - Kevin Angell 24 - Steve Coarsey 30 - Jean Stroupe 30 - Mike Shaver 31 - Tristan Brown 31 - Serenity Brown

Anniversary

18 - John and Melissa Hendrix

Steve's sermon's are always
available
On Facebook and Youtube.
You can easily find it at:
www.gracestatesville.org

Budget

BUDGET UPDATE

Needed year to date: \$83,034.00 Received year to date: \$76.769.52 UNDER budget: \$6264.48 Weekly needs: \$1,977.00 This Week's Offering: \$1748.00



The Stewardship Board is offering a new option for giving to the church.

We now have Paypal! You will find a Paypal QR Code in the Midweek, the Sunday bulletin and on the website. This allows you to use your paypal account or credit card to make a donation to the church. Of course we will still be taking cash and checks with the regular offering each Sunday.

Mission Board News

ICM needs our help to restock their shelves!
We will be collecting food on the first Sunday of each month but you can bring them anytime.

Church Maintenance J. Nicholson

Scripture for the Week

Genesis 16 and 21

Sermon

"Hagar and the Universality of God's Love"

Leader Diane Hamby

Reader Steve Shoemaker

*Upcoming events:

*Scary Supper - October 27 at 6 p.m.
Meal and a Special spooky play
Donations will go to
Scout Pack-Troop 1373

*2024 Davis Lectures - Rev. Dr. Amy Butler November 17 - 18 at 7 - 8:30 p.m. nightly Guest speaker at 11 a.m. worship service on Sunday, Nov. 17 TOPIC: Where Do We Go From Here? ~ Free and open to the public ~.

December 8th.
Fifth Street resident staff
Christmas Dinner.
5:30pm