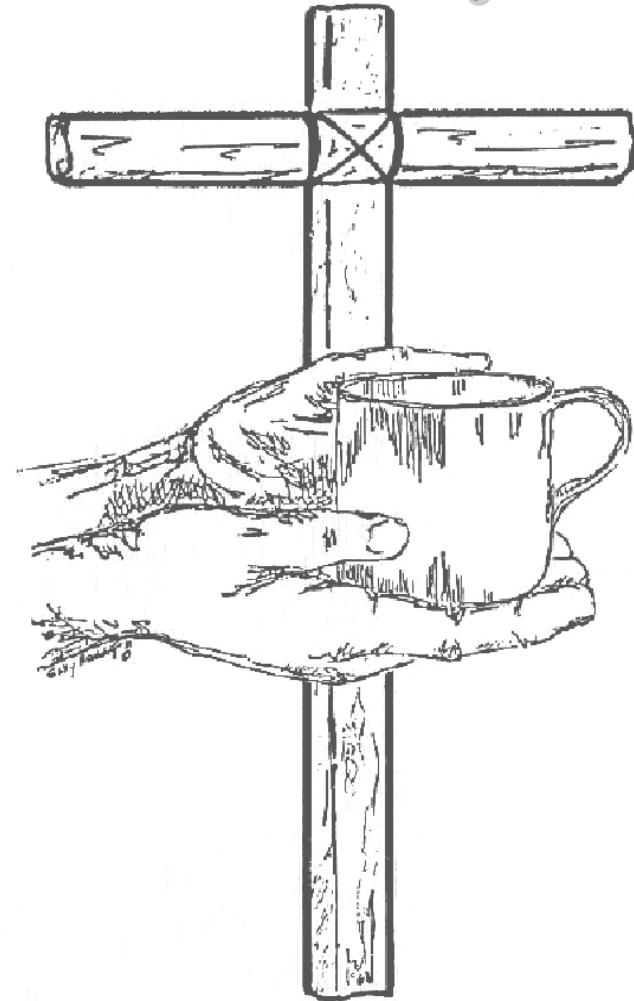


The Celebration of Worship



Community of Grace
January 18, 2026

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

The Welcome and Announcements

The Choral Opening

"Praise! Rejoice in God"

*The Call to Gathering

Leader: Listen! For this is Good News!

God's Grace is wider than our wildest imaginings.

People: Thanks be to God!

Leader: God's Grace embraces us as we are and where we are and draws us out to be the people we were created to be.

People: Thanks be to God!

Leader: God of Grace, we come as people who live through that Grace.

All: Thanks be to God!

*The Invocation

*The Hymn of Praise

"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"
(No. 276 v.1,2,3)

The Offertory

The Prayers of the People

Luke 18:9-14

The Scripture Lesson

Is Sin Really About Bad Behavior?

Words of Grace

"Hearts of Gratitude"

The Choral Meditation

The Sharing of Bread and Cup

Everyone is invited to share in communion.

When you are finished, please form a circle around the sanctuary.

If you are not able to come forward, let a deacon know and the elements will be brought to you.

*Benediction in Song

"What Does the Lord Require"

1st Group (repeat 4 times): What does the Lord require of you?

2nd Group (repeat 3 times): Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.

3rd Group (repeat 2 times): To seek justice and love kindness and walk humbly with your God.

*Postlude

**All who are able, please stand*

Announcements

Mark Your Calendars for:

Grace Annual Retreat
Friday, January 23rd. 6PM

Soup and sandwiches is the meal.

Childcare will be provided. If you are planning on bringing children, please text Carole at 704-437-1906 with your name and how many.

Our teens will take them to the back after dinner for playtime!.

Cabinet Retreat
Saturday, January 24th. 9AM

****ICM needs cereal, ramen noodles, and mac-n-cheese.**

They also are in need of a

Monday and Wednesday volunteer to help with client check in.
This would be learning a simple program on the computer and helping insure that the days visits get put into our link2feed system. **

Birthday

18 - Jon Christian Comer

CONCERNS

Continue to remember:

Our friends on homebound:

Clara Rogers.

Those issues close to us:

Spencer Cox, Billy Adams, those on disability, Kristi's niece,

Ted Raye, Sam's family, Renae's brother and sister-in-law, River, Hispanic community,

Recent shootings, Beverly, 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 - Nicholson/Davis

February 1 - Wardo

February 8 - Angell

Second Hour Helpers

Today - Leigh & Chris Brown/ Ruby Angell

January 25 - Carole Hendrix & Sheri Coarsey/ Serenity Brown



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BUDGET UPDATE

Needed year to date: \$4,236.00

Received year to date: \$3,796.81

Under budget: \$439.19

Weekly needs: \$2118.00

This Week's Offering: \$1613.00

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