

The Celebration of Worship



Community of Grace
April 13, 2025

Palm Sunday

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Choral Opening

"Firm Foundation"

*The Call to Gathering

Leader: When they had come near Jerusalem, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village...and you will find a donkey tied and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me."

People: This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet: "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on a donkey, and on a foal of a colt."

Leader: The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought them the donkey and the colt, and they put their cloaks on them and he sat on them.

People: A very large crowd spread their garments on the road and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

Leader: The crowds that went ahead of them and that were following were shouting,
All: "Hosanna to the son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven."
(Matthew 21: 1-9)

*The Invocation

*The Hymn of Praise

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"
(Insert v.all)

Rooted Moment

The Offertory

The Prayers of the People

The Scripture Lesson

Luke 19:33-42 & Matthew 3:9

The Choral Meditation

"Let Your Glad Hosannas Ring"

Words of Grace

"The Stones Will Cry Out"

*Hymn of Reflection

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"
(Insert v.2,3)

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

"A Closer Walk"

*Postlude

**All who are able, please stand*

Announcements

The Lenten Offering this year is "Aunt Flo's Locker", For Period poverty! The Mission Board is collecting elastic waist pants and leggings, underwear (all sizes), and disposable wipes for students. Money is also appreciated. Please designate your checks to the Lenten offering.

Happenings

April 17

Maundy Thursday Service. 6:00pm Light meal provided with communion.

April 18th—Good Friday

10 a.m. It will begin and start at Broad St. Methodist Church. It will finish up about 11:45 a.m., then you are invited to attend the Good Friday Community Service at noon at Broad Street.

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WWJD Peace Rally
Broad & Center Streets
5:00-7:00pm.

April 19th— Easter Saturday

Easter Egg Hunt.

10:30am to 12:30. There will be a sandwich bar, salad bar and COOKIE bar!!

April 20th— Easter Sunday

Easter Sunrise service. 6:30am.at the Labyrinth.

Remember to bring flowers for the lattice.

No Sunday School.

Easter Contata is at 11:00am.

Birthday

19 - Steve Shoemaker

CONCERNS

Continue to remember:

Our friends on homebound:

Clara Rogers.

Those issues close to us:

Billy Adams, Jim Cashdollar, Those on disability, Government workers and others with job instability, Diane Reynolds, Cathy Moore, All those affected by Hurricane Helene, Rebecca Beaver, Alf Fraley, Louise's brother, Jack, Middle East crisis, Lucas Watt and family, Cameron Gray, Spencer Cox, Iredell Statesville Schools students and staff, Amber Jordan and family, 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.

BUDGET

Needed year to date: \$27,888.00

Received year to date: \$26,411.82

UNDER budget: \$1,476.18

Weekly needs: \$1,992.00

This Week's Offering: \$3,012.10

Fundraising Campaign

Goal: \$63,000

Gifts To Date: \$52,890.00

Church Maintenance

Before next Sunday - Hamby/S.Johnson

April 27 - Nicholson

May 4 -



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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

Pastor: Steve Shoemaker

Music Director: LeAnda Barnard

Secretary: Lisa Wardo

Church Musician: Nichole Tilley

Boards

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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