The Celebration of Worship



Come, See the Fullness

God the Creator
Gave in abundance
All of the wonder
We now behold;
Colors of glory,
Everyday beauty,
Echo the story
Of God's deep love.

Bold as the sunlight
Tender as nightfall,
Love shaped the heav'n's height;
Love filled the seas
Love formed the flowers,
Called forth the living;
Marked out the hours
Of time to be.

Open our hearts wide,
Teach us Your wisdom
Lest our days pass by
Empty and small.
May we be witness
With Your creation—
To Your great kindness
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The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Choral Opening

"O Come, and Let Us Sing"

*The Call to Gathering

Leader: Loving God, all of nature calls you blessed, and so do we. **People: For you have woven an intimate tapestry and call it life and called it good.**

Leader: In love you have formed a universe so diverse yet so related,

People: and into its web you call us forth to walk the land and swim the sea. Leader: Open our hearts to understand the intimate relationship that you have with all creation.

People: Loving God, all your creation calls you blessed.

All: And so do we.

*The Invocation

*The Hymn of Praise "Come See the Fullness" (Insert)

The Offertory

The Prayers of the People

The Scripture Lesson Leviticus 19:9-10

The Choral Meditation "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Words of Grace "Leaving the Edges"

The Hymn of Reflection "God Speak to Me" (No. 531 v. 1,2,3)

*Benediction

*The Choral Benediction "May the Lord Bless You"

*Postlude

Announcements

Mark your Calendars for:

*Today is the Fall Lunch & Plant. Immediately after church.

A light lunch will be provided, and afterwards we will break up into teams to take on plantings in five various locations around our campus!

**Our Davis Lecture Series is coming October 12-13th. 7pm nightly.

Dr. Corey D.B. Walker, Dean of the Wake Forest Divinity School, will be out speaker.

His Topic is: Faith for a Fractured World.

Scary Supper is coming November 5th!

If you would like to help with meal prep or set up, let Nancy know.

Birthdays

5 - Mary Whitted Hendrix 6 - Peggy Nicholson 6 - Ben Kudlacek 11 - Will Kenney

Anniversary

21 - Stephen and Emma Chesnut 24 - Terry and Diane Hamby 30 - Josh and Katelyn Hayes

CONCERNS

Continue to remember:

Our friends on homebound: Clara Rogers.

Those issues close to us:

Billy Adams, Marsha Angell, Eve Shaver's family, those on disability, James Mabe, 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, 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

Church Maintenance

Before next Sunday - Scouts October 19 - Hamby/S Johnson October 26 - Nicholson

BUDGET UPDATE

Needed year to date: \$77,688.00 Received year to date: \$74,120.78 UNDER budget: \$3,567.22 Weekly needs: \$1,992.00

This Week's Offering: \$940.00



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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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